

Wyoming Library Association
February 20, 2020
Board Meeting Minutes

President Abby Beaver called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m.

Members present:

Abby Beaver
Jake Mickelson
Kate Mutch
Janice Grover-Roosa
Jacque Strike
Johanna Tuttle
Judi Boyce
Anna Street
Jamie Markus
Caitlin White
Elizabeth Thorson
Members absent:
Cindy Moore

Also present Kristin Evans and Keith Gaertner, representing Amigos Library Services

There were no changes or additions to the agenda

There was a motion and a second to approve minutes from August, October, December and January meeting minutes. (Mickelson/White). It was noted that the January minutes needed the date added to them, motion carried with the addition of the date.

Abby led the group in discussion about the FY2020 Budget. It was noted that we will be pulling money from reserves, but we don't expect to spend as much as budgeted on a lobbyist and the conference figures presented show a conservative amount for revenue. Motion and second to approve the FY2020 Budget (Strike/Mickelson). Motion carried.

There was discussion about the D&O insurance and Abby will be researching alternatives that meet our needs, as we are currently insured for situations we don't need coverage for and are not insured for events such as the Legislative Reception. She will be obtaining a rider for the event being held Feb 20, 2020.

Abby noted that she will be putting together an ad hoc committee to work on a vendor prospectus. Amigos has resources to help us get started.

Amigos representatives presented their report. They are continuing to get things set up. When that is completed, they will be able to provide accounting reports as

needed/requested. They reported that as of February 2020 we have 110 active members, 30 renewal pending members, and 4 institutional members.

Discussion about switching banks so that have the ability for Amigos and WLA board access. Abby will do the research and being the process.

The board discussed the desire to make memberships a rolling expiration rather than all due on January 1st. This will take a bylaws amendment, and can be done before the next annual meeting. Kate and Abby will work on this.

The board discussed holding monthly meetings and hold those the 2nd Thursday of the month at 10:00 a.m.

Jake reported that he's visited the Conference Center in Casper and will start with programming solicitation soon.

Janice reported on a resolution ALA Council made to condemn the practice of charging inmates for reading (e-content). Jamie noted that in Wyoming, the State Library provides LSTA funding for Prison Libraries and that would be unacceptable and could result in loss of those funds to the institutions, so it is not likely to be an issue in our state, but is an issue others are facing.

Jacque reported that WLLI has had 2 applications for the upcoming leadership institute. They will be seeking funds through additional grants to offset costs.

Johanna had nothing to report. Judi had nothing to report

Anna reported that the WLA award committee has started seeking nominations.

Caitlin reported that the Legislative Committee will be meeting later in the afternoon. The committee is watching bills and monitoring them. She will be sending out a weekly email throughout the session. Sherilyn Kaiser will present an update to the group at 5:00 prior to the legislative reception.

Jamie reported that there were a couple of bills of importance. One deals with public employee retirement and the other deals with health insurance for state employees.

Elizabeth has been updating contacts/website links on the WLA site.

Motion and second to adjourn (Strike/Boyce). Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 1:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Kate Mutch