

WYOMING LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
EXECUTIVE BOARD Minutes
September 10th, 2020

Call to Order by Abby Beaver, President at 10:02 a.m.

Board Members present:

Abby Beaver, President
Jake Mickelsen, Vice-President
Kate Mutch, Past President
Jacque Strike, WLLI Advisor
Johanna Tuttle, Interest Groups Representative
Judi Boyce, Member-at-large
Anna Street, Member-at-large
Jamie Markus, State Library
Caitlin White, Legislative Committee Chair
Elizabeth Thorson, Communications Advisor

Also present:

Kristin Evans, Amigos Library Management Group
Keith Gaertner, Amigos Library Management Group
Lisa Scroggins, WLA member

Board Members absent:

Janice Grover-Roosa, ALA Councilor
Cindy Moore - MPLA Representative

A quorum was determined to be present.

Jake motioned to approve the agenda as presented, motion was seconded and passed.

Jake moved to approve the July 2020 minutes with corrections; motion seconded and passed. Jake moved to approve the August 2020 minutes with corrections, motion seconded and passed.

Abby reported that she's been working on the Registered Agents information, removing Laura Grott's name and updating with correct information. She was able to get the 2019 General Ledger after Laura gave it MHP for doing taxes. MHP provided the ledger to Abby. We are missing some records and Abby and Amigos have been working on to untangle the investment data, update information and getting the financials to balance. 1099 information was missing from records returned to the Association. Amigos and Abby will continue to work together to get everything pulled together.

Kristin reported that they have send out the conference information to vendors and WLA members. They issued the appropriate refunds to vendors after the in-person conference was cancelled. She has cleaned out and archived inactive members from the membership list.

Jake reported that the conference details have been solidified and we have 2 speakers, 1 author and the LEAD panel on mentorship program scheduled. The business meeting and Interest Group meetings will be held Friday October 9, 2020. He reported that C.J. Box will waive his fee and requested WLA donate to the Wyoming Hunger Initiative instead. \$500 will be donated to them in honor of C.J. Box. Jake is also exploring some ways to incorporate some networking/socialization into the conference.

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There are three vendor sponsors, one at each tier.

Kate reported that the WLA Conference 2021 contract with Clarion Inn has been signed. It will be held October 7 and 8, 2021. She reminded the group that it's time to find someone to start planning for WLA 2022.

Jacque reported that WLLI decided to forgo the online basket auction and replace it with a request for donations. They have been having online meet and greets with the retreat nominees and will continue hosting those until the retreat can be held. They will have another meeting on October 9, 2020.

Johanna reported that she's been working on a play book for the Interest Groups to help with future leadership changes.

Anna reported that awards have been mailed out to the respective awardees. She also reported that the LEAD group will introduce the mentorship program that they have been developing and have a panel presentation with Q and A time.

Caitlin reported that the Legislative committee put out an RFP for a lobbyist for 2021. The committee is monitoring a few issues that are being discussed but don't currently need action. The two main issues are the Department of Education's Talking Book programs and Recalibration of school librarians/technicians.

Jamie reported that he has been actively monitoring legislative committee meetings. He also reported that they have allocated \$4,000 for school/special library registration. He is also very concerned about the loss of community building and recognizing the need to work on networking. The director's retreat next month will provide some opportunity for breakout rooms to help address that need.

Abby reported that the EDI ad hoc committee is continuing to work on their charge.

Jacob moved, Johanna seconded to table discussion of the ALA statement to until we receive a recommendation from the committee. Motion carried.

Judi requested clarification on the bylaws change the board recommended to the membership. The intent of the board is for membership to be a true rolling membership. Membership will expire 365 days after joining/renewal.

Jake will set the date of the next board meeting after the upcoming annual business meeting.

With no further business Abby adjourned the meeting at 10:46 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kate Mutch, Past President