

MIINUTES OF THE MEETING  
WY LIBRARY ASSOCIATION  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
THURSDAY, AUGUST 9, 2017 – SHERIDAN, WY

Present: Sid Stanfill, Rebecca Schuh, Richard Landreth, Laura Grott, Chris Van Burgh, Anna Smedts, Jamie Markus, Cameron Duff, Katrina Brown, Abigail Beaver, Stephen Boss, Brian Greene, Kate Mutch and Jason Grubb.

Sid Stanfill called the meeting to order @ 10:10 a.m.

Agenda – Old Business: MemberClicks was added to the agenda and interest group Board member was added for discussion.

Minutes of the meeting: A motion was duly made and seconded to approve the minutes of the January 2016 Board of Directors Meeting. Motion carried.

President's Report: Sid Stanfill said it was an interesting two years. We've gotten a new state librarian, we've all weathered horrible budgets and based on conference registration, it looks like things are getting a little more comfortable in the state. He is looking forward to the convention.

Treasurer's Report: Laura Grott indicated she sent out the 6/30/2016 financial report to membership because that was the last reconciliation prior to conference. She discussed cleaning up the WLA balance sheet with the accountants and that they have developed a new system, so that we don't have all the various bank accounts in Quick Books. Laura will post all general journal entries to the spreadsheets of each bank account quarterly.

ALA Councilor: Brian Greene reported on a few items: 1) Keith Michael Fiels retired and a search for his replacement is currently underway. 2) Mid-Winter is in Denver – Feb. 9-13 and he is working on a resolution to present on the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of MPLA, which started in Denver. 3) 43 States are participating in a joint student membership. He presented information to the Board and suggested an ad-hoc committee to look at whether it makes sense for WLA to participate. Katrina Brown and Laura Grott will look into this.

MPLA: Stephen Boss submitted a report. He made a few comments that many other states were interested in how WLA's conference went using a community college. They are all looking at future good ideas. MPLA is in Lake Tahoe, Oct. 16-18<sup>th</sup>. Leadership Institute will be held April 29 – March 4 at the YMCA of the Rockies in Estes Park, CO. He will send the URL link. He is going off after two terms and his high point was the joint conference in Cheyenne.

State Library Report: Jamie Markus gave an update and what was happening with Federal Funding and how it would affect the State Library. Next year's state funding will more than likely hit them as well, which would more than likely be a 2% decrease. They are proactively looking at purchasing options.

Legislative Report: Cameron Duff reported that he submitted a report. The legislative committee will be meeting and Susan Stubson is curious about the meeting. More than likely Susan and Mary Lynn Shickich will attend the Directors Retreat to discuss roles at the local level.

WLLI Report: Chris Van Burgh said that Anna Smedts will be taking over the role and that her and Richard Landreth have officially passed the torch. This has been a great program and very successful in creating leaders for our profession. Looking at another institute in 2018, probably in Lander. Financially, the group is very strong. Anna said she is open to any suggestions moving forward.

WY Book Award Report: Submitted online

Nominations Committee: Richard Landreth reported for Susan Marks. He said after many phone calls to people, they filled a slate for VP and MPLA Rep. Jennison Lucas and Kate Much ran for VP and Cindy Moore and Stephen Boss ran for MPLA. Kate Mutch will be the next VP and Cindy Moore, the next MPLA representative. The nominations committee thanks everyone for running.

2017 Conference: Katrina Brown said everything is going well and thanked everyone for their help and patience. Very excited about the conference and at the end feel we need to do an evaluation/survey.

Awards Committee: This committee worked very hard this year and has made many good changes. 1) Down to three awards. 2) More personal in presenting the awards in the winner's hometown, with colleagues, family and friends). 3) Recognition at the FREE reception where everyone can attend.

MemberClicks: Laura Grott indicated for the most part, she likes the way the forms work and the registration process for people. Rebecca Schuh commented that is somewhat clumsy from an administration point and putting on banners are not user friendly. The Association doesn't use the social functions of it. It's hard to find a perfect platform, but that many other groups are using MemberClicks, mostly because of a lack of other product. We will keep an eye on it and other options and look again next Spring.

Interest Group Reps on the Board: Abigail Beaver discussed the by-laws and the board opening for 2 interest group leaders who split 1 vote on the Board. This position hasn't been filled for some time. The by-laws committee currently needs a leader as well. Katrina Brown will be tasked with looking into this issue to see if there is still interest in having people on the Board and how to fill the positions.

By-Laws: Once a committee member is assigned, the Awards Committee would like a reduction in size of members. Also, an ad-hoc committee would be helpful to determine the needs of two interest group reps serving on the Board. Perhaps by-laws committee can look into it. Likely candidates for interest group position would be most active members of current interest groups.

Someone needs to look into some clarity on the interest group and leadership descriptions and roles they play on the Board. Richard Landreth said he'd help with this.

2018 Conference: The Board needs to determine sooner than later a date and location for 2018. Work almost starts right away planning the next conference. Katrina Brown and Laura Grott will work on a survey to get it out immediately. A conference call will be held very soon to go over the results and decide on next year's conference.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Laura Grott

