



Executive Board Meeting: Minutes
5/2/2022
Zoom

Present:

NDLA Board Members:

Will Martin, President
Kerriane Boetcher, President-Elect
Rita Ennen, Past-President
Abby Ebach, Secretary
Aaron Stefanich, Treasurer
Randi Monley, MPLA Representative
Andrea Placher, Public Library Section Chair
Brittany Fischer, Academic and Special Libraries Section Chair
Devon Olson (proxy for Erika Johnson), Health Science Information Section Chair
Shari Mosser, School Library and Youth Services Section Chair
BreAnne Meier, Nominations, Voting, and Elections Committee Chair
Kristen Borysewicz, Bylaws and Policies Committee Co-Chair
Virginia Bjorness, Bylaws and Policies Committee Co-Chair
James Murphy, Finance Committee Chair
Mary Soucie, State Librarian

Also Present:

Josh Pikka
Traci Lund
Emily Wros

Absent:

NDLA Board Members:

Sara Westall, ALA Councilor
Nicole Eckroth, Membership Committee Chair

President Will Martin called the meeting to order at 1:05 pm.

The minutes from the 4/4/2022 board meeting were approved as presented.

Secretary Abby Ebach announced that she will be resigning her position on the board effective after this meeting.

Professional Development Committee: Professional Development Committee Co-Chair Devon Olson gave an overview of the committee's goings-on. Her and the other Co-Chair, Jessica Gilbert-Redman have met three times. Their priorities are to update the grants page and process, expand the bookmobile grant, restarting the mentorship program, developing formal policies, and creating mock-interviews.

State Librarian Mary Soucie suggested a partnership between NDSL and NDLA for the development of the mentorship program. Treasurer Aaron Stefanich reminded the committee that NDLA previously would provide grants to send two members to the MPLA Leadership Institute.

2022 MPLA Conference: MPLA Representative Randi Monley's budget for the upcoming MPLA conference has increased due to the conference hotel changing locations.

2022 NDLA Conference Budget: Past-President Rita Ennen presented the preliminary conference budget. Her along with President Martin and President-Elect Kerriane Boetcher will be meeting in Minot soon for a site visit and get some logistics worked out. The board discussed the need for providing breakfast or snacks to attendees, the need to live-stream keynotes, the use of a conference app, trophy pricing, and other logistical items pertaining to the conference. Treasurer Stefanich reminded the board that the hotel hasn't requested a deposit, yet.

State Librarian Soucie discussed the importance of the Legislative Committee starting again since the next legislative session starts in January 2023. This committee is also in charge of the Library Champion award given out at conference.

2023 NDLA Conference Venue: President Martin presented the two venue finalists for the 2023 conference. The board discussed and chose the Hilton Garden Inn for October 11–13, 2023. He will move ahead with reviewing the contract and providing the down payment.

2025 Tri-Conference Dates: MPLA Representative Monley checked with other state associations to see if they had a preference about dates for the conference. President Martin will contact the Alerus Center to put a deposit down for October 1–3, 2025.

President Martin adjourned the meeting at 1:57 pm.

Electronic Communications

4/4/2022: Secretary Abby Ebach provided the links to *Keeping Governance on Track* webinars.

4/8/2022: Secretary Ebach distributed the minutes for the April 2022 board meeting.

4/25/2022: President Will Martin requested agenda items for the May board meeting.

4/28/2022: President Martin announced the agenda for the May board meeting

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