



NDLA Executive Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 9, 2023
Zoom meeting

NDLA Board Members:

Kerriane Boetcher, President
Tammy Kruger, President-Elect
Will Martin, Past-President
Tonya Palmer, Secretary
Aaron Stefanich, Treasurer
Randi Monley, MPLA Representative
Sara Westall, ALA Councilor
James Murphy, **Academic and Special Library Chair**; Finance Chair
Devon Olson, Professional Development Co-Chair; **Health Sciences Info Chair**
Morgan Keyser, Public Library Chair

Also Present:

Mary Soucie, State Librarian
Virginia Bjorness, Bylaws and Policies Committee, Co-Chair
Kristen Borysewicz, Bylaws and Policies Committee, Co-Chair
Zeineb Yousif, Equite, Diversity, and Inclusion Committee Chair
Tressa Graves, Legislative Committee Chair
Amanda Walch, New Members Committee Chair
Emily Wros, Intellectual Freedom Committee Chair
Brittany Fischer, Good Stuff Committee Chair
Kandi Shape
Kimberly Mosley, SLAYS Chair-Elect
Tina Stockdill, Academic & Special Libraries Chair-Elect
Sandi Bates, HSIS Chair-Elect
Danielle Masursky, Legislative Committee member
Traci Lund

Absent:

Jennifer Hess, SLAYS Chair

Kerriane Boetcher called the meeting to order at approximately 1pm.

The minutes of the December meeting will be approved at the February meeting.

Treasurer's Report - Aaron reported that the request for reimbursement forms are ready and he had nothing else to report.

Old Business

- a. Upcoming Bylaws Changes
- b. State Legislative Outlook - Mary Soucie updated the attendees about bills that may impact libraries in the ND State House and Senate. The bill with the most potential impact is SB2123, which is an amendment to the Century Code 12.1-27.1-03.1, and could profoundly affect library collections across the state. There are no hearings scheduled yet. Tressa will send out an Action Alert
- c. Conference Resolution - Kerriane drafted 2 versions of NDLA's statement against censorship. Both versions are good - the second, shorter version is more likely to be read.

New Business

- a. NDLA Testimony for State Legislature - The Legislative Committee asked for clarification about who would submit testimony on behalf of NDLA if the President is unable to submit testimony for any reason. After some discussion, it was suggested the President could delegate that to someone else on the Executive Board, if necessary.
- b. Proposed Name Change for NDLA Policy Manual - Virginia Bjorness and Kristen Borysewicz, co-Chairs of the Bylaws and Policies Committee, proposed changing the name of the NDLA Policy Manual to Policy Manual and Guide. After some discussion, it was proposed to change the name to Policy and Procedures Manual, and highlight items to clarify what is policy if necessary when bringing changes to the Executive Board. There were 9 votes in favor, none opposed.
- c. 2023 Conference Keynote - Will Martin asked the Board to approve increased spending up \$7500 to spend on the 2023 NDLA Conference Keynote speaker. Funds would be matched by Humanities ND. Randi Monley moved to increase the budget to \$7500, Tonya Palmer seconded. There was discussion of the budget. NDLA had previously spent \$10,000 on a keynote speaker. Other points in favor of the increase were George Takei's wide appeal and the possibility he would draw more attendance. Mary Soucie pointed out that there would still be funds from NDSL for other speakers. Aaron spoke in favor of the increase before leaving the meeting. There were 9 votes in favor, none opposed.
- d. 2024 Conference Venue - Discussion of proposed venues for the 2024 NDLA Conference in Bismarck. After weighing the pros and cons of the three proposed venues - Radisson, Baymont Inn & Suites, and Ramada - Will Martin motioned to book the Radisson. James Murphy seconded. There were 9 votes in favor, none opposed.
- e. Washington Post Email - Kerriane will forward the email to the SLAYS committee.

- f. Kaleidoscope Email - Kerrienne will forward the email to the Executive Board for future discussion. Kaleidoscope offers scholarship and grant management software.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:10