



North Dakota Library Association
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**NDLA Executive Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, September 11, 2023
Zoom meeting**

NDLA Board Members:

Kerriane Boetcher, President
Tammy Kruger, President Elect
Will Martin, Past President and NDLA Conference Committee Co-Chair
Tonya Palmer, Secretary
Aaron Stefanich, Treasurer
Mariah Ralston, ALA Chapter Councilor and LGBTQ2S+ Committee Co-Chair
Randi Monley, MPLA Representative
James Murphy, A&SL Section Chair and Finance Committee Chair
Devon Olson, HSIS Chair and Professional Development Committee Co-chair
Morgan Keyser, Public Library Chair
Jen Hess, SLAYS Chair
Virginia Bjorness, Bylaws and Policies Committee Co-chair
Kristen Borycewicz, Bylaws and Policies Committee Co-chair, proxy for Randi Monley
Liz Mason, Membership Committee Co-chair
Mary Soucie, North Dakota State Librarian

Committee Chairs:

Kristen Henagin, Conference Committee Co-chair
Zeineb Yousif, EDI Committee
Jackson Harper, Intellectual Freedom Chair
Tressa Graves, Legislative Committee Chair
Renee Newton, LGBTQ2S+ Committee Co-chair
Amanda Walch, Membership Committee Co-chair

Also Present:

Tina Stockdill, A&SL Chair Elect
Andrea Placher, Williston Community Library

Absent:

BreAnne Meier, Nominations, Elections, and Voting Committee Chair

Kerriane called the meeting to order at 1:02 pm.

The minutes of the August meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report: No report at this time.

Old Business:

a. 2023 Conference Update - Conference Credit has been approved. There is still no flight information for Deborah Caldwell-Stone. The possibility of a poster session was raised, but there is no space available. Plans are well in hand - the schedule needs to be finalized. The conference Board meeting will include a Zoom component - NDSL will bring their Owl.

b. 2024 Conference Update - No update.

c. Honorary Membership Award - The Membership Committee approved the nomination. Mariah Ralston motioned to accept the nomination of an honorary membership for Iris Swedlund and send it to the general membership for approval. Will Martin seconded. 11 in favor, none opposed or abstaining.

d. October Summit - Non-fiscal sponsorship does not come with a table or a ticket. NDLA has not sponsored other organizations. Discussion of whether the LGBTQ2S+ committee could raise funds for sponsorship or if that would be construed as organizational support. Will Martin motioned to approve \$50 as a table fee and not a sponsorship. Seconded by Tammy Kruger. 10 in favor, 1 absent, none opposed or abstaining. Will Martin motioned to initiate a conversation with the membership at the conference regarding organization sponsorships. James Murphy seconded. Motion was withdrawn and sent to the Finance Committee.

i. Survey Results

New Business:

- a. 2023 Election Nominee Slate - Will Martin motioned, Aaron Stefanich seconded to approve the nominees for the 2023 NDLA Election. 10 in favor, none opposed or abstaining. Discussion about communicating with membership the importance of being involved and filling positions, with more clarity regarding the time commitment.
- b. Putting the Flickertail Awards under the SLAYS Committee - Flickertail is currently a subcommittee and the co-chairs would like to be done. Discussion of previous and current chair of SLAYS committee being the chairs for the Flickertail Award. SLAYS can discuss this at conference.
- c. Intellectual Freedom Committee - Banned Books Week Public Engagement - The committee would like to do Public Engagement/Outreach, but are not sure what they can do as a committee. After some discussion, they will send a letter to Kerriane Boetcher to distribute as NDLA President.
- d. LGBTQ2S+ Committee - Local Resources Printout - The committee has a local resources handout they would like to be customized for NDLA and put it on their website. The Communication policy is currently lax about within the organization,

but nothing prevents this. The Bylaws and Policy Committee will reexamine the policy for further clarification.

- e. Conference schedule - Aaron Stefanich asked about the conference schedule being posted. Will Martin agreed to check on it and get something up.

Time of adjournment was not recorded..