ARLD Meeting Minutes
MELSA Conference Room
1619 Dayton Ave.
St. Paul, Minnesota 55104

Meeting: Friday, 8/21/2015 from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM
Present: Jayne Blodgett, Amanda Mills, Jenny Sippel, Michael DeNotto, Jonathan Carlson, Diana Symons, Solveig Lund

1. Additions to the agenda?
   none

2. Review and approve the July minutes
   approved

3. Succession/Bylaws update (Amanda)
   Amanda drafted changes. We discussed proposed changes and Amanda has a copy that will be presented at our next ARLD business meeting.

   Will email board about emailing the proposed bylaw changes to membership a month ahead of the Annual Meeting sometime next week.

5. MLA Board Update (Amanda)
   Amanda attended but missed some of the meeting due to connectivity.
   Legislative website for increased advocacy. Change how we refer to “MLA” lobbyist to something like “MN Library Lobbyist.” New PLD chair. MLA dues will be increasing. MLA conference update was shared.

6. ARLD Budget (Amanda)
   - July 2015 MLA Budget
   We have money. No changes.

7. ARLD Annual report update (Amanda and Jayne)
   This was submitted to ACRL.

8. Elections Update (Jayne & Nominating/Elections Committee)
   - Timeline document.
   We have multiple people running for every position!

9. ARLD Annual Meeting at MLA Conference (Amanda, Jayne, Jonathan, Mike)
   - Poster Session Proposals
   8 proposals in as of now. Group will review proposals next week and will send confirmations of acceptance. Amanda has requested easels for the meeting and will follow up with those needs.
Remind presenters to mount their posters on firm/hard posterboard. Jayne will bring extra hard posterboard just in case. Add innovator award to meeting agenda. All board members will bring a $2 (or less) prize for the meeting. Amanda will remind them to do this 1 week ahead of time.

10. Preservation of ARLD Day Presentations and MLA Posters (Jonathan)
   ● Did we come to a decision about this?
Jonathan will work with Management HQ to make ARLD materials more findable.

In the “Thank You” we send to participants we will ask poster session presenters to share their materials with us.

11. Update on Dialogues (Diana, Solveig & Jenny)
Solveig will follow up with Molly & Jennifer about host sites.
Diana will follow up with Instruction Roundtable about Info Lit standards as a topic.

12. Innovator Award
   ● Draft e-mail review
   ● ARLD Day evaluation feedback on Innovator Award
     ○ Bring ideas for revising, publicizing, etc. to this meeting
Jayne will work on this more on her own. We will continue conversations about this award at future meetings once this year’s award has been awarded.

13. ARLD Day 2016:
   ● Improvements – Discuss methods for improvement based on 2015 evaluation feedback, esp re: quality of sessions. Review evaluations and come with ideas for improvement (each question is on a separate tab)
   ● Brainstorming for speakers – think about this before the meeting and bring your suggestions.
     ○ Need to select 3-4 to contact for availability and cost
Jayne will contact Maria & Emily, 2 leads from last year, and get back to us.
   ● Select food subcommittee
   ● Discuss sponsors

14. ARLD Day 2017 Alternate Location – Come up with poll questions for MLA 2015 (given at annual meeting?) Bring ideas for alternate locations to this meeting

15. Communications Update (Jonathan)
Management HQ attempted to give Jonathan back-end access to the website in order to send out eblasts to our membership. However, we found he can’t send out a normal email through
this process, only an internal message that sends a notice email out to recipients. Management HQ will continue to send out our emails for us. No updates on MLA Communications Committee.

16. Membership Update - July & August (Solveig)

17. Legislative Update (Mike)

MN budget put out a July revenue and economic update: revenues came in at 550 million higher than February's forecast

The four areas of concern for our legislative platform of the next year are: bonding, state ebook contract, out of school time and early literacy, public relations

Ebooks MN project through Minitex and the Dept. of Ed. will focus on materials published in the state of Minnesota (385k books have been published in MN since 2000)

18. Intellectual Freedom
   • *Does someone want to take this on?*

Will ask for participation when new Board Members come on board.