

SWON Libraries
Executive Board Meeting Minutes
August 21, 2015

Mission: Collaborating, educating, and sharing.

Board Members in Attendance

Melanie Blau-McDonald, SWON Exec. Director
Shawn Fry, Boone County Public Library
Nanette Wingrove, David H. Ponitz Career Technology Center
Jennifer Heffron, Vice President, TriHealth, Good Samaritan College of Nursing
Angela Smith, Secretary, Kenton County Public Library
Cindy Sefton, President, Cincinnati State
Chris Owens, Treasurer, Blanchester Public Library
Joe Knueven, Germantown Public Library
John Stork, University of Cincinnati
Andrea Owens, Cincinnati County Day School

Absent:

Greg Edwards, Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County
Jennifer Spillman, Dayton Metro Library
Cherie Roeth, Bradford Public Library

Call to Order and Introductions

- Cindy called the meeting to order @ 10:05 a.m.

Presentation and Approval of the June 2015 minutes

- Andrea moved to approve the minutes as presented; John seconded. Approved by consensus.

Presentation of Financial Statements

- The Board looked at June and July 2015 financials, as well as the FY 2014-2015 Audit.
 - The June budget has all year end entries and is only \$618.73 over budget.
 - In the new fiscal year beginning in July, OLSSI and SWON will part ways, so there will no longer be OLSSI monies on SWON's books. ALAO will continue to use SWON's assistance, so their funds will continue to show up in SWON's financial statements.
 - The audit went well. SWON will only do a full audit every other year from now on.

- Joe moved to accept the financials; Jennifer H. seconded. Carried by consensus.

Membership & Renewals

- Even though using YM.com for renewals was an epic failure, 2/3 of the organizations have renewed.

State/Regional Update

- Melanie will be involved in a conference call to discuss more collaboration between the regionals.
- Melanie visited the State Librarian and felt that the meeting was very productive.
- SWON (and the other regionals) must justify its existence like it is a grant funded body.

Proposed By-Law Changes and Discussion

- Discussion about the timing of the two membership meetings. Melanie will try to schedule the spring meeting in early May to make it easier for school librarians to come.
- Discussion of Executive Board makeup. Melanie will compile the opinions of the Board and write up a proposal for changes to the By-Laws to be voted on at the next meeting.

Election of Officers

- Cindy (President), Jennifer H. (Vice President), and Chris O. (Treasurer) are all nominated to remain in their respective leadership positions.
- Shawn Fry was nominated for Secretary.
- Andrea moved to accept the Officer nominations; Joe seconded. Carried by consensus.

Formation of Membership/Dues Committee to review Academic and Special Library Dues

- Jennifer H., John Stork, and Cindy Sefton all volunteered to be part of the committee.
- At least 2 additional members will need to be found.

Update of larger themes, programs and new developments for the upcoming five months

- Innovative Conversations—first one was great! Need to work on some few logistical issues.
- Collaboration with SLO on additional SRP's featuring Janet Ingraham Dwyer—very low registration at this point.
- Picture Book Read-In (August 19)—Sold out!
- SRP September – Sold out!
- Saroj in October—Slow registration so far.

Next Meeting

- The next Executive Board meeting will be on **October 23, 2015**, at 10 a.m. at the SWON offices in the conference room.

Adjournment

- Nanette moved to adjourn; Angela seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:04 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Angela Smith, Secretary.