The meeting was called to order by President Ashia Gustafson at 10:00 am CST

Board members and Committee Chairs present:
Ashia Gustafson, Julie Erickson, Kim Bonen, Maria Gruener, Lisa Brunick, Nita Gill, Audrea Buller, Kelly Henkel, Daria Bossman, Shari Theroux, Korey Erickson, Barbara Vander Vorst

Others Present:
Elizabeth Hoffman

Changes/Additions to the agenda:
None.

Consideration of Minutes for the April 27th, 2020 meeting:
A motion to approve the minutes was made by Audrea and seconded by Julie. The motion carried.

Report of Executive Secretary/Treasurer, Audrea Buller:
Membership is down slightly due to COVID19. The Wells Fargo checking account is at $4,713.15. The Wells Fargo savings account is at $13,020.83. The Ameriprise Savings Certificate 20190001 is at $14,585.31. The Ameriprise Savings Certificate 3001 is at $18,577.06. The Raney Endowment is at $90,911.37. We do have $8,400 we can use for distribution. Audrea is sending out membership renewal reminders and conference reminders. She has adjusted the website for conference now that it has gone virtual. The election will go live sometime next week.

Report of President, Ashia Gustafson:
Ashia is working with Aberdeen to change the contract from 2020 to 2024. Rooms will be a little higher, but we won’t have to pay $10,000 in cancellation fees. Ashia and Julie have been working with vendors.

Report of Vice President, Julie Erickson:
Julie is working with Ashia and Audrea to move the 2020 conference online. Julie is putting together budget for this year and next year.

Report of Past President, Maria Gruener:
Maria is working on updating the bylaws, as well as Bookmarks and EST evaluations.

Report of Standing Committees
none

Report of Sections
Academic/Health/Special Libraries, Shari Theroux:
Nothing to report

Public/Trustee, Barbara Vander Vorst:
Nothing to report

School/Library Media, Korey Erickson:
NEA (National Educators Association) came out with different guidelines on reopening. The AASL (American Association of School Libraries) is working on a letter to the president of NEA on trying to figure out on what the role of the library during the pandemic is, and how we can be useful. The State Library and DOE are looking at changes on what it takes to be a certified school librarian. This opens another pathway for those who have an MLS degree and want to be a school librarian but don’t have a teaching degree.

Support Staff Section Chair:
This Chair is currently empty. Attempts are being made to contact the Vice Chair to temporarily fill this position.

Report of ALA Councilor, Lisa Brunick:
ALA had a virtual conference this year. Several sponsors chipped in due to the impact COVID-19 was having on workers. The focus was on diversity and inclusion in our profession. The ALA Council voted to dissolve the Association for Library Collections and Technical Services (ALCTS), the Library Information Technology Association (LITA) and the Library Leadership and Management Association (LLAMA). The ALA Council voted to approve Core: Leadership, Infrastructure, Futures as a new ALA division. ALA launched a new COVID 19 recovery site: http://www.ala.org/tools/covid-19-recovery. They did not say if Midwinter would be in person.

Report of MPLA Representative, Nita Gill:
No conference was held in 2020. MPLA hasn’t met since the March meeting. They have put out a statement in June on racism.

Report of the Book Mark’s Editor, Kelly Henkel:
The last newsletter was digital only and the next one will be also. There was less of a cut off time for submissions and it was easier to layout with less restrictions. Kelly made some adjustments to the website for virtual conference. She is advertising on social media for conference. The Upper Midwest Digital Collections Conference + Minnesota Digital Library Annual Meeting will be held virtually November 5-6th. https://news.minitex.umn.edu/events/conference/2020-11/upper-midwest-digital-collections-conference-minnesota-digital-library

Report of Federal Relations Coordinator, Daria Bossman:
On the national scene there have been discussions on more money coming our way. We have received 70k through CARES act. 36K has already been distributed to 17-18 libraries. Several libraries that applied did not meet qualifications. We encouraged them to reapply for round two. 8/3 is the deadline. This grant is focused on Technology. Another grant is the SD Humanities Grant, also from the CARES act. Libraries can apply for up to 10K. Academic and public libraries can apply, but not school. Contact Anne Vohler in the SD Humanities. The REALM has
a study out on COVID. The U.S. Census is having problems in certain pockets with response rates. They ask that libraries remind people. They are starting to go door to door which they don’t want due to COVID.

**Continuing Business**

none

**New Business**

Discussion was had on renewing bulk mail or going digital only. Membership will be surveyed to see how they feel about going virtual.

A motion to approve the budget was made by Julie Erickson and seconded by Kim Bonen. The motion carried.

Discussion was had on 2023 Rapid City Conference proposals. A motion to approve the Rapid City contract for the 2023 Conference was made by Lisa and seconded by Nita. The motion carried.

A motion was made to approve changes to the by-laws by Ashia and seconded by Julie. The motion carried.

The board entered executive session at 11:04am.

The board exited executive session at

The next meeting will be held in September.

The meeting was adjourned by Ashia at