

**South Dakota Library Association
Executive Board Meeting
November 13, 2017 2:00pm CST
Conference Call**

The meeting was called to order by President Mary Francis at 2:05 pm.

Board Members and Committee Chairs present:

Mary Francis, Maria Gruener, Craig Johnson, Danielle De Jager-Loftus, Elizabeth Fox, Brenda Hemmelman, Stephanie Brewer, Daria Bossman, Evan Washechek, Kimberly Darata

Members Not Present:

Kelly Henkel, Mary Kraljic, Barbara Vander Vorst, Audrea Buller

Other Members Present:

Ronelle Thompson

Changes/Additions to the agenda:

No changes were made.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Maria and seconded by Brenda. The motion carried.

Consideration of the minutes of the September 27, 2017 meeting:

A motion to accept the minutes was made by Brenda and seconded by Danielle. The motion carried.

Report of the Executive Secretary/Treasurer, Stephanie Brewer:

Membership numbers are holding steady and we are waiting on a few renewals. Conference bills are all paid and Stephanie is working with Audrea on transferring assigned duties. The goal is to have Audrea doing most of the work in December. Our financial accounts are also steady. Wells Fargo checking account is at \$22,156.78 and savings is at \$21,034.12. Ameriprise certificates are at \$15,769.18 and \$20,165.33. The Raney Endowment is going strong at \$92,221.05 with the rise of the markets. Conference raffle profits equaled to \$371.56 and we need authorization to send this to the endowment. Stephanie suggested that in the future we get donated raffle items to keep costs down. Conference attendance was at 144 full attendees and 21 single day attendees. The overall conference profit was \$12,175.42.

A motion was made to increase the amount from the raffle to \$500 and to send this to the endowment by Elizabeth and seconded by Evan. The motion carried.

Report of the President, Mary Francis:

Outside Audit:

Mary is looking into beginning the audit process again. KMWF & Associates in Sioux Falls did the previous audit. Audrea will contact them to find out pricing and details.

2018 Conference:

The Sioux Falls Local Arrangements Committee met at the Sioux Falls Convention Center on November 6th.

There is a proposed fee structure for the 2018 Conference with minor increases.

A motion was made to accept the new fee structure for the 2018 Conference by Brenda and seconded by Danielle. The motion carried.

Mary is going to have Kelly look into creating the conference website.

Report of the Vice President/President Elect, Maria Gruener:

Nothing to report.

Report of the Past President, Danielle De Jager-Loftus:

Danielle submitted the conference report and overall the comments were positive. People liked the changes that we made to the conference this year. Preconference turned out to be huge this year due to the right programming. There were a few negative comments about the food service and room accommodations. Overall the vendors had good things to say but prefer not to be in the hallway. The passport idea was a big hit with the vendors.

Reports of Standing Committees

Nothing to report.

Reports of Sections**Academic/Health/Special Libraries, Mary Kraljic:**

Nothing to report.

School/Library Media, Kimberly Darata:

Nothing to report.

Public/Trustee, Barbara Vander Vorst:

Nothing to report.

Support Staff, Evan Washechek:

Evan stated that at the conference there was very low attendance for the support staff meeting. The section is looking for people to run for office. Evan has emailed the section mailing list to gather ideas for future events possibly having a few different half day sessions instead of a full day for Branch-Out next year.

Report of the ALA Councilor, Elizabeth Fox:

Elizabeth said that the big news in the ALA is that the first search for the new ALA Executive Director failed. The search committee wants to change the job qualifications from requiring an MLS to just preferred MLS in order to get a larger pool of qualified candidates. The committee will be voting on this soon. ALA Midwinter will be in Denver on February 9th- 13th, 2018.

Report of the MPLA Representative, Brenda Hemmelman:

Brenda thanked the MPLA for letting us use the Zoom software for our board meeting today. The MPLA Conference in Lake Tahoe was great but had a few minor glitches in programming. They had an all afternoon board meeting that was productive. South Dakota's Mike Mullen was chosen to be a mentor at the 2018 MPLA Leadership Institute. There is one worthy candidate for the institute from South Dakota. Annie Epperson is the current MPLA President and Leslie Langley is the Vice President/ President Elect. The 2018 conference will be in Wichita.

Report of the Book Mark's Editor, Kelly Henkel:

Nothing to report.

Report of the Federal Relations Coordinator, Daria Bossman:

Daria said that she just got back from COSLA, Chief Officers of State Library Agencies, in Nashville and everyone was fairly hopeful for fiscal year 2018 but are cautious about the future because IMLS may be dismantled in 2019. The energy states are having budget cuts for their state libraries. IMLS is partnering with many different groups so we are looking into partnership possibilities.

Continuing Business

2020 Conference:

Mary said that we will not be having conference in Mitchell. She is contacting people in Aberdeen to find out if we can hold it there. We need to create a list of possible venues that are able to host a conference for the future. Stephanie said that she has an outdated list that she will send to the Conference Planning Committee for updating.

Conference Planning Committee:

Mary wanted to follow up with the proposal for the Conference Planning Committee. Danielle mentioned that she had Stephanie get some information from the Minnesota Library Association. They have an organized conference handbook that details how the conference is put together and run. Danielle said that it will be important to broaden the responsibilities and not put everything on local arrangements. The committee will consist of Mary, Maria, Audrea, Stephanie, Daniele, Brenda. The committee will be able to provide guidance for future conferences.

New Business

2018 Legislative Day in Pierre:

Legislative Day will be on February 13th in Pierre. Our lobbyist, Eric Erickson, has prepared an email and Stephanie sent it out to our legislators.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting is February 13, 2018 and will be at the State Library in Pierre. Time TBD.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:05 pm.