The meeting was called to order by President Maria Gruener at 1:13pm

**Board Members and Committee Chairs present:**
Maria Gruener, Ashia Gustafson, Kim Bonen, Mary Francis, Lisa Brunick, Nita Gill, Audrea Buller, Kelly Henkel, Ana Olivier, Susie Lippert

**Members Not Present:**
Daria Bossman, Kimberly Darata, Erica Rorvik

**Others Present:**
Eric Erickson, Brenda Hemmelman, Sandy Arseneault, Steven Buras, Missy Koester

**Changes/Additions to the agenda:**

**Consideration of the minutes of the November 14th, 2018 meeting:**
A motion to accept the amended minutes was made by Ashia and seconded by Audrea. The motion carried.

**Report of the Executive Secretary/Treasurer, Audrea Buller:**
Audrea said Bookmark subscriptions have gone down. The Wells Fargo checking account is at $18,354.04. The Wells Fargo savings account is at $21,042.06. The Ameriprise Savings Certificate is at $20,444.39. The Raney Endowment is at $88,810.34.

A motion to accept the financial report was made by Susie and seconded by Nita. The motion carried.

**Report of the President, Maria Gruener:**
Maria has been actively seeking out speakers for the 2019 SDLA Conference and creating an orientation manual for incoming board members. She has been invited to Capitol Hill, February 24th – late Tuesday evening to continue SDLA lobbying efforts. Elizabeth Fox will compile the Legislative Day report for the next board meeting.

**Report of the Vice President/President-Elect, Ashia Gustafson:**
The Nominating Committee is full again. The theme for 2019 SDLA conference is “Engage and Inspire.”
Report of the Past President, Mary Francis:
Mary is going through the SDLA by-laws to make sure they are current.

Reports of Standing Committees:
Eric Erickson spoke about several South Dakota Bills and issues that he has been monitoring. Eric proposed that SDLA oppose Senate Bill 122. The Board discussed Senate Bill 122 and a motion was made by Lisa that SDLA talk to legislators, expressing our concerns and inform them that we are opposed to it. The motion was seconded by Maria. The motion carried.

Professional Development Committee, Brenda Hemmelman:
Brenda Hemmelman said that the deadline for scholarship applications is March 15th. They have been receiving more applications since the number of scholarships available increased last fall. She found out that information had been updated on the SDLA website but not the procedural manual so that has now been taken care of.

Academic/Health/Special Libraries, Anna Oliver:
Nothing to report.

School/Library Media, Kimberly Darata:
The fourth, and final public hearing for the proposed School Library Standards will take place in March. Voting for the South Dakota children’s book awards has been ongoing this school year and will end on April 1st. The YARP, Prairie Bud, and Prairie Pasque committees will announce the winners in mid-April. The 21st-Century School Library Award application opens on March 1, 2019 and closes May 1, 2019. School Library Ed Camp has been planned for April 6, 2019 at West Middle School in Rapid City and Patrick Henry Middle School in Sioux Falls. Registration for School Library Boot Camp 2019 opens April 8, 2019. April is School Library Month. “Everyone Belongs @ your school Library” is the theme. West River we have been having school library meet-ups as a chance to network for Black Hills Area school librarians. One was held in October and one in January.

Support Staff, Susie Lippert:
Branch Out 2019 will be held in Rapid City on August 7th, not the 8th. It will also be held in Watertown, Mitchell and possibly the State Library in Pierre. The dates for those locations will be announced by April and publicized.

Report of the ALA Councilor, Lisa Brunick:
Lisa attended ALA Midwinter 2019 in Seattle. The Meeting Room Policy revision passed without any real discussion. ALA is doing an organizational reform. There was an act of microagression during a council forum meeting. The ALA president has issued a formal apology. There will be ALA professional development/cultural sensitivity training opportunities available in the near future.
Report of the MPLA Representative, Nita Gill:
Nita said MPLA met December 13th and January 31st. Membership is growing and there is now a competition to see which state can recruit the most members. Please send Nita news for the MPLA newsletter. It is published six times a year. Five MPLA online Zoom sessions that focus on leadership are in the works.

Report of the Book Mark’s Editor, Kelly Henkel:
Kelly has been updating social media and the website. Keep sending her submissions for Bookmarks.

Report of the Federal Relations Coordinator:
COSLA will be submitting our $1.00 per cap resolution for consideration. If SDLA joins in, there are about two dozen state library associations along with numerous vendors and other library associations which have already passed similar resolutions of support for the $1.00 per cap proposal. Currently funding averages about .48 cents per US citizen so this is a huge leap of faith. Not likely that we would receive that much (an additional .52 cents per cap). However, since there has been no measureable increase (apart from inflation) for the past two decades, COSLA felt it was justified to start the conversation at one dollar per citizen in federal library support. Best implemented or phased-in over several years. It is important to note, like the MLSA reauthorization, this will most likely be a multi-year process before acted upon.

Continuing Business:
Ashia motioned that SDLA adopt the COSLA Resolution. Kim seconded the motion. The motion carried.

New Business:
Maria said SDLA will undergo Strategic Planning 2020-2023, but that topic is more for the April Conference Call. We will also discuss finding a location for the 2022 SDLA Conference.

Next Meeting:
The next meeting will be held in April.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:59pm.