



EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

June 14, 2019 at 1:00pm

SHREWSBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY, 609 Main Street, Shrewsbury, 01545

Attending: Charlotte Canelli (ALA Chapter Council), James Lonergan (MBLC), Nora Blake (Vice President Elect), Greg Pronevitz (MSLA Liaison), Sarah Sogigan (MLS Liaison), Krista McLeod (NELA Rep), Ellen Rainville (By-laws), Diane Annuziati (IFSRC), Nanci Milone Hill (Readers Advisory), Alene Moroni (Readers Advisory), Laura Bernheim (RUSS), Sarah Breen (RUSS), Joanne Lamothe (Conference Committee), Kim Hewitt (Conference Committee & Leadership & Management), Bernadette Rivard (Treasurer Elect), Andrea Puglisi (PR), Melissa Campbell (Membership), Laurie Lessner (Membership), Esme Green (Vice President/President Elect), Aimie Westphal (Archives), Jennifer Harris (Legislative), Ellen Keane (Conference Committee), Carol Witt (IFSRC), Andrea Fiorillo (IFSRC), Rebecca Beckley (Association Manager), Noelle Boc (Secretary), Callan Bignoli (Technology), Kristy Lockhart (RUSS), Marissa Antosh (YSS), Will Adamczyk (President), Jocelyn Tavares (PR), Jennifer Pike (Treasurer) Attending via GotoMeeting: Sharon Shaloo (Mass Center for the Book)

This meeting was preceded by a Transitional Meeting for new chairs of sections and committees in the morning.

Call to order: 1:03pm

- **Facial Recognition Software:** Callan Bignoli.
Discussion around current legislation that seeks to prevent using facial recognition software, sponsored by Senator Cynthia Creem. Formerly it is stated as “An act establishing a moratorium on face recognition and other remote biometric surveillance systems.” It is known that the software is inaccurate and the IFSRC is looking for MLA to endorse this state legislation in the interest of protecting privacy and intellectual freedom.

Vote to recommend endorsing the legislation along with the Massachusetts ACLU. All in favor.
- **Motion to approve the minutes** from the April Executive Board meeting made by Charlotte Canelli, seconded by Nora Blake. All in favor.
- **Treasurer’s report:** (see attached budget handout) Jennifer Pike.
 - We are well in the black currently, better than previous years.
 - Jennifer recommends that we switch to the Wild Apricot credit card processing, otherwise MLA will pay a fee for not using their services.
 - QuickBooks has raised their prices which will be an added expense in the next year.
 - Taxes are done.
 - **Motion to approve the Treasurer’s report** made by Esme Green, seconded by Ellen Rainville. All in favor.
- **Conference Committee:** Ellen Keane.
 - Big change with the lunch being included at conference this year, but very few complaints.
 - Conference exceeded the target this year and got excellent feedback.

- Very few complaints from vendors and Kristen did a fabulous job organizing and being point person for the vendors.
- **ParaLibrarian Section:** Will Adamczyk.
Continuing education aspect of their certification levels (of which there are 3) has been successful and the section created a joint agreement with New Hampshire so that the certification is recognized reciprocally between Massachusetts and New Hampshire.
- **Personnel Committee**
The committee has identified a bookkeeper they want to hire but the process needs to go to the Administrative Board first.

Updates:

- **MBLC:** James Lonergan
 - Legislative agenda was approved, but Center for the Book is still in discussion.
 - Capital budget: we asked to cover our waitlist for construction and next grant round, as of right now the MBLC is just getting \$100 million. Hoping to get amendment for more. Also asked for cap to be raised, but didn't happen, so hoping to push for that next budget year. MA Municipal Association wants to help with raising the cap.
 - Everett update: still has their Board of Trustees, but have had their power greatly diminished.
 - Summer reading fun is commencing!
- **NELLS:** Krista McLeod.
60 applications this year for 28 slots available for all of the New England states. Kim Hewitt will go to NELLS & Andrea Puglisi, too. Will Adamczyk will be a mentor.

Old Business--none

New Business

- Lynda.com--LinkedIn bought them out, library users now have to create a LinkedIn account to use Lynda.com. Reach out to your local representative of Lynda.com to protest. Changes are really being driven by Microsoft.

Future discussions

- Wild Apricot:
 - a database size increase is needed because we keep going over our allotted 2000
 - online bill pay decision--we pay WorldPay for credit card transactions, then we pay AuthorizeNet to go between WorldPay and Wild Apricot. Do we just go with the Wild Apricot credit card processing model? Are there any alternatives? (Doesn't seem to be anything else like Wild Apricot out there presently).

Motion to adjourn from Krista McLeod at 1:55pm

Future meetings: Friday, August 9th at 10:00am

Respectfully submitted,
Noelle Boc, MLA Secretary