

**Delaware Library Association  
Executive Board Meeting  
Delaware Public Archives  
December 13, 2012**



**In attendance:** Terri Jones, Patty Langley, Ed Goyda, Christine Payne, Hannah Lee, Jon Jeffery, Sherri Scott, Cathay Crosby, Janice Haney and Maureen Miller. Meg Grotti and Marrette Pearsall attended by conference call.

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by President Terri Jones at 4:10 p.m.

**Quorum**

A quorum was present (eight officers and division presidents)

**Minutes**

Minutes of the October 18, 2012 meeting were approved as corrected

**President's Report**

See new Business

**Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer Ed Goyda had emailed Board members the Profit and Loss Details for the DLA year to date, July 1, 2011 through December 13, 2012 as well as Profit and Loss Details verse the Actual for that period and the Balance sheet as of December 13<sup>th</sup>.

Membership receipts have been slow and steadily coming in and budget is on schedule.

The Freedom to Read Membership is due and a check is ready to be sent.

We need the membership numbers, especially with the need to determine a quorum.

**Past President**

No report

**ALA Councilor**

Hannah Lee presented the "ALA Chapters Issue Joint Statement on E-Content Pricing".

Most states and regional chapters have signed the statement against unfair pricing on ebooks to libraries. Hannah Lee moved that DLA endorse the statement. Ed Goyda seconded. Motion passed and Delaware will join the group support.

ALA subscribes to two virtual meeting platforms: Adobe Connect and WebX. After discussion, it was noted that Adobe Connect has a voting element and can archive material. Hannah will look into the details to try using this format at our next board meeting.

There were two changes made to the DE Chapter Annual report. The membership dues structure was changed to a "graduated fee" structure and a change from "exceeded" to "did not meet" for our conference budget projections. The changes were made to the ALA website and Hannah will forward to Rebecca Knight for our website.

**CRLD**

Meg Grotti reported that CRLD had their Fall event and eleven members toured the Christiana Hospital libraries on December 6<sup>th</sup>. The total cost was \$55 and there was good feedback from the attendees. A spring event to the Delaware Art Museum in Wilmington is being planned.

**DSLA**

DSLA met in November and had 16 members attend. The group is excited about the reception in February. The Delaware School Library Association is having an evening reception on Wednesday, Feb. 20, 2013 at the Collette Education Center in Dover from 5:30-8:30 p.m. The theme of the evening is "Delaware School Libraries- Everyday is an Adventure!" Our featured guests are children's/young adult author, Roland Smith, and author/library consultant, Hilda Weisburg. Roland is known for his high interest, adventure and nonfiction books like "Elephant Run," "Peak," and the IQ and Stormrunners series. Hilda has co-authored several professional books such as "New on the Job" and "Being Indispensable." Her emphasis on advocating and working with key stakeholders is extremely important and timely for those of us in Delaware schools. They will use \$500 of their budget for the program which will leave money for the end of the year awards. They will send an invitation to the list-serve and ask Rebecca to post it on the website.

**PLD**

No report.

**YSD**

Sherrri Scott reported that the Youth Services meeting on October 26<sup>th</sup> featured *Nemours Brightstart!* and Marshall Steam Museum presentations. The group reviewed the previous summer reading program and ideas for reading Jill Biden's new book. The Blue Hen nominations committees were voted upon and the Blue Hen was discussed. The MLA/DLA conference and committees were noted and librarians were encouraged to join. NASA Space Training in March is in Ocean Pines, MD and is free of charge. Performers for the 2013 Summer Reading Program will be Simple Gifts (musical talent) and Illstyle & Peace (hip-hop-type dance styles). Blue Hen nominations are open until December 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Archives**

No report.

**Handbook**

Jon Jeffery is in the process of preparing and posting the Handbook amendments on the DLA web page for review by the DLA membership in anticipation of the bylaws vote at the 2013 MLA/DLA Conference. Jon asked for a clarification as to whether the meeting would qualify as a second vote on the Bylaws passed in 2011, as there was no quorum for the 2012 meeting, or should voting be considered as a first vote as the bylaws currently state two consecutive meetings, not two consecutive voting sessions.

The board discussed several options in order to get two votes this spring. If the virtual meeting in February works, then the board can call a special meeting at the April board meeting in which DLA members can attend virtually for a vote. The May Conference would then be the second vote. We would need 25% of the membership in order to pass the amendments. It will be very important for division presidents to alert their members about the importance of the voting.

The board has proposed a Special Meeting on April 25<sup>th</sup> from 4:15 to 4:30 PM. An announcement will need to be posted three weeks prior to the meeting. It will be put in the DLA Bulletin and instructions will need to be sent out to the membership. Jon will send out the changes to the handbook to the membership in March.

### **Legislative Action**

Several volunteers came forward from the Town meeting. Cathay will follow up after the holidays. She has a contact with lobbying experience who would be willing to give advice on lobbying.

### **Membership**

The updated membership form is ready and Beth-Ann will send it to Rebecca. It was noted that Paypal has a discounted rate for non-profits.

Ed Goyda moved to use Paypal with known associated costs on the membership website to pay for memberships. Janice Haney seconded. Motion was approved.

### **Nominating**

No report

### **Public Relations**

No report.

### **Scholar Awards**

No report.

### **State Friends**

No report.

### **State Librarian**

No report.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

#### **Conference**

Christine Payne and Cathay Crosby reported the sessions are in place. The initial schedule is out and will be proof-read and done by Wednesday.

Cathay composed a letter to send out about the Silent Action, including information on how to ask for items. The goal is to have something from at least 50% of all the libraries in the state.

Volunteers are needed to work at the auction. Terri asked each division to develop a basket, independent of individual contributions.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Beth-Ann needs articles and promotions for the next DLA Bulletin.

**Adjournment**

The next meeting will be Thursday, February 28<sup>th</sup> at 4 pm at Delaware Public Archives.

Future meeting will be: April 25<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting was adjourned 5:11 pm.

Approved February 28, 2013

Maureen Miller  
Secretary