

DLA Executive Board Meeting
Thursday, November 21, 2013
Dover Public Library



Name of Organization: Delaware Library Association
Date Time and Place of Meeting: November 21, 2013, 4 – 6 PM
Dover Public Library Meeting Room

Name of presiding officer and Secretary:
Christine Payne, President
Janice Haney, Secretary

Time meeting begins and ends: 4:00 PM Start time, 6:05 PM ending time

Names of Executive Board member attending: Beth Borene (Vice-President), Cathay Crosby Keough (Executive Director), Hannah Lee (ALA Councilor), Christy Payne (President), Terri Jones (Immediate Past President), Janice Haney (Secretary), Ed Goyda (Treasurer), Barbara Keesey (YSD), Sarena Fletcher (Archives), Jon Jeffrey (Handbook & Bylaws), Sara Thomas (Membership).

Virtual attendees: None as phone line was not working.

Number of members at general meeting: Michelle Hughes

Meeting was called to order by Christy Payne. A quorum of voting members was present 7 out of 10.

Statement of disposition of previous minutes:

Names were corrected in minutes from September, and the minutes were approved with amendments. We are missing the minutes from the April 2013 meeting.

Report of officers: Name, include brief summary or attachment

Ed Goyda, Treasurer reported that membership is up slightly from last year. \$43,000 of assets are in the restricted scholarship fund. Rebecca questioned if this was truly an asset and Ed said yes. There is an overall balance of \$90,000. There was a question about money in the account for the drill team. Terri said that the drill team could be revived and use the funds. She will ask the team to perform at the DLA 80th birthday bash.

ALA Councilor, Hannah Lee, reported nothing new except that we are looking for a rep from DE for the Declaration of the Right to Libraries Campaign. Terri suggested handing over the Campaign to the Kay Bowes and the State Friends group.

Report of Division s: Name and Division, include brief summary or attachment

CRLD, Sarah Katz' report: CRLD is planning two programs: March 4 at Widener University and another as yet undefined.

DASL, Jen DelGado was absent because of the phone line difficulties. Christy Payne summarized the October 22 gala event. Matthew Winner was a great presenter. Annie Norman brought the Chief Deputy Secretary of State, Rick Geisenberger.

PLD, Michelle Hughes reported that the division will meet in January. Public Library Division is looking for a revival and will use a short survey to find out what members want. Speakers are being sought to talk about programming that will entice people into libraries. Formal workshops were preferred over informal round tables.

YSD, Barbara Keeseey received her Summer reading program guide today. Theme is Fizz, Foom. This is STEM oriented.

Reports of committees: Names and titles

Archives Committee – Sarena Fletcher

Committee is scanning the archival materials. There are also lots of archived photos on the DLA website. Sarena says they are making progress and their next meeting will be in Sussex County.

Handbook/Bylaws Committee – Jon Jeffrey

The committee has amendment actions for discussion and vote. The first item for discussion: That the Executive Board discuss implications of the existing bylaws statement as found under Part B Executive Board, Sec. 5, wherein it states “No person shall hold more than one position, either voting or non-voting, on the Executive Board at one time.”

Note: Requires membership vote for change to Bylaws, Article VI. Procedural Matters, Part C. Amendments to the Bylaws and Handbook, Sec. 6.

Motion to replace the existing Sec. 5 statement on page 5 with the following:

A member shall hold only one officer voting position but may hold a non-voting position simultaneously, at the Board's discretion. A non-voting Board member [chairs of committees) may hold more than one non-voting position.

Barb recommends keeping second state [statement?]with the addition of “at the board's discretion.”

Jon read revised motion.

A member shall hold only one officer voting position but may hold a non-voting position simultaneously, at the Board's discretion. A non-voting Board member (chairs of committees) may hold more than one non-voting position, at the Board's discretion.

Terri motioned to accept. Barb seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

Motion to add statement to handbook on page 12 under Duties of Officers and Executive Board of the Association/ Executive Board

A voting member of the Board holding a committee position shall recuse him/herself from voting if there is a potential conflict of interest.

Barb wants this in bylaws only; as new Section 6, on page 5 and in the handbook on page 12 under duties of officers.

This was discussed by the board and resulted in the following revised motion.

Revised Motion; to add statement to bylaws, page 5, as new section 6, and to handbook on page 12, under Duties of Officers and Executive Board of the Association/ Executive Board

A voting member of the Board holding a committee position shall recuse him/herself from voting if there is a potential conflict of interest.

Barb so moves and Terri seconds. The motion passed.

Cathay pointed out that the online version of the handbook is now searchable.

Motion: Section 7, article 3, Governance, page 5

Section reads: A majority of the members of the Executive Board shall constitute a quorum.

Word "voting" has disappeared and needs to be reinserted. Barb moves to insert "voting" between the word "the" and "members." The motion was approved.

Second item for discussion:

It is no longer necessary for the ALA Councilor to submit bylaws amendments to ALA.

Motion to delete "The councilor shall submit Association Bylaws amendments to ALA" from Bylaws, p. 2, Article 1, General Description, Part C. Chapter Status, Sec. 3.

Note: Item[s] to be deleted from bylaws. Any bylaws changes must go through two votes.

Motion to delete "To secure ALA approval of any revision or amendments of the Bylaws through the ALA councilor." from Handbook p.15, Handbook and Bylaws Committee, Duties, #2.

Barb moved to delete the two statements, Terri seconded. The motion was approved.

Third item for discussion:

Motion to approve the inclusion of "and the Executive Director" to the handbook page 12 under Executive Board in the text:

The Executive Board is the managing board of the Association. Members consist of the officers of the Association, the immediate past president, the division presidents, and the ALA Councilor. Committee chairs **and the Executive Director** are non-voting members of the Executive Board.

Page. 12 of the handbook, Barb motions to add “and the executive director” (to non-voting members). Ed seconded. The motion passed.

Actions needed – Jon stated that there must be two consecutive meeting votes to approve the bylaw changes.

Terri stated that there would be an electronic vote in March and an in person vote in May at the joint conference.

Legislative Action Committee – vacant

Membership – Sara Thomas reports that there are 218 members.

Intellectual Freedom – Margie Cyr should have submitted a report on Banned Books Week. Sarena passed around ideas for BBW. She has a printing quote of \$250 for 2100 cards, printing 300 each of 7 different designs. She is looking for financial support from DE Division of the Arts and/or AC Moore.

DLA anniversary celebration, Terri is pushing the date back.

Conference committee – Beth Borene reported on planning for the joint DLA/MLA conference. There is a dine around event planned for networking purposes on the Wednesday evening. Reservations will be needed to attend. The Librarian in Black will speak on Friday. Thursday’s speaker is Aaron Menkin. The poster sessions in room 4 have openings. DLA business meeting on Friday has two sessions in two different rooms at 8 and 8:30 AM.

Scholarship committee – The dates will be revised next year, not this year. The amounts will also increase next year. Elaine Fike reported these upcoming changes.

Old Business:

The Scholarship increase and changes in timeline for applications were tabled due to time shortage.

New Business:

DLA website – Rebecca Knight
 Delaware Library Legislative Day
 The book “Race to Relevance” by Mary Byers
 Silent Auction items

All above were tabled due to time shortage. Email will begin the process of addressing these items. Cathay handed out “Race to Relevance” for all to read. These books were paid for by Dr. Annie Norman and the Delaware Division of Libraries

Future meetings:

January 23 – 80th Birthday celebration. This meeting was scheduled to be the anniversary celebration. That event has been moved to Friday March 27.

Jan. 23 will be our next regular meeting.

February 20 is an added meeting for discussion the book “The Race to Relevance”.

March 27 DLA 80th Anniversary celebration

May 7-9 Join DLA/MLA Conference in OC, MD
Actions assigned and to whom:

Cathay Keough will contact Maureen Miller and ask for a copy of the April 2013 minutes. They need to be posted to the DLA website.

Ask Jen DelGado to write an article for the DLA bulletin about the Gala.

Submitted

Janice Haney
Secretary

Approved by email vote.