



Approved on November 19, 2015

Delaware Library Association Executive Board

Thursday, September 17, 2015

Dover Public Library, Dover, DE

Presiding Officer: Laurel Ferris, DLA President

Minutes Taken by: Jessica R. Olin, DLA Secretary

Members in Attendance:

In person:

Jessica Olin, DLA Secretary

Julie Brewer, DLA Jobs webpage

Hannah Lee, ALA Councilor

Melissa Jones, CRLD President

Laurel Ferris, DLA President

Barbara Keesey, YSD Past President

Sara Thomas, Membership/Website

Rose Harrison, PLD President

Cathay Keough, DLA Executive Director

Kathy Dulis, DASL Vice President/Conference Committee

Margie Cyr, Intellectual Freedom & Open Access Committee (only present for award presentation)

Online:

Ed Goyda, DLA Treasurer

Jen Delgado, DASL President

Jon Jeffery, Chair of Handbook & Bylaws Committee

Lea Rosell, YSD President

Molly Olney-Zide, Chair of Scholarships, Awards, & Citations Committee

Sue Rekart, member

Beth Kloetzer, DLA Vice President & Conference Chair (only briefly)

Meeting started at 4:00 pm.

Hodges Award Presentation

Minutes were unanimously accepted.

Officer Reports:

- a. State Librarian: Not present.
- b. President:
 - i. Spoke about the retirement of James Billington, Librarian of Congress.
 - ii. Barbara Keesey made a motion that the Delaware Library Association should send a letter urging the POTUS to appoint a librarian as the next LOC. Jessica Olin second it. The motion passed unanimously.
 - iii. PSAs about division will be posted on the DLA website.
 - iv. DLA will be sponsoring the Festival of Words by contributing \$1000.
- c. Vice-President: Had to leave early.
- d. Treasurer: Only comment was that the revenue for membership is down from last year, but it's likely an effect of the rolling membership.
- e. Past President: Was not present. Laurel Ferris spoke on her behalf.
 - i. Mentioned the fact that the consultant from last year would be attending the meeting.
 - ii. Spoke about the results of the survey.
- f. ALA Councilor:
 - i. There were no questions about the report.
 - ii. Cathay asked for clarification on how much longer Hannah will be serving in this role.
- g. Executive Director:
 - i. Spoke about conference planning, pre-conference ideas (mostly from Maryland), and about a possible keynote speaker.
 - 1. Dropping data visualization preconference.
 - 2. Self-guided learning will be featured.
 - 3. Learning how to present at conferences.
 - 4. Some discussion of an unconference, but no definite theme yet.
 - 5. Intellectual freedom/privacy issues (handling privacy issues without locking down your service & dealing with third party vendors).
 - 6. Homelessness.

7. Promoting play in your library.
 8. Future of reference.
 9. Minecraft roadshow.
 10. Customer service skills.
 11. Reaching online students.
 12. Need a DASL program.
 13. Joint state updates.
 14. DLA business meeting.
 15. Siobhan Reardon, director of the Free Library of Philadelphia, is the keynote.
- ii. Cathay spoke about the work that's being on the DE Library Legislative Day. It's going to be on Tuesday, April 12, 2016.

Division Reports:

- a. CRLD: Had nothing to add to the division report that went out prior to the meeting.
- b. DASL: Chris Crutcher will be keynoting the Festival of Words.
- c. PLD: Rose added that they have found a good time/day to meet moving forwards (first Wednesdays)
- d. YSD: Had nothing to add to the division report that went out prior to the meeting.

Committee Reports:

- a. Archives: Not present.
- b. Handbook & Bylaws: Nothing to add to the report that had been set.
- c. Intellectual Freedom: Not present.
- d. Legislative Action: See notes above in the DLA Executive Director section.
- e. Jobs Webpage: Things are going well. Shared a recommendation that DLA and ALA be considered continuing institutional members.
- f. Membership:
 - i. We had some discussion of how to best get people to renew membership. Talked about the benefit of person to person marketing (also cheaper for each of us to reach out to coworkers rather than send postcards). We also talked about the online form.
 - ii. Cathay chimed in about social media and the role that plays. (Social Media Users Group.) Especially with regards to the conference.
- g. Nominating: Not present.
- h. Conference: See notes above in the DLA Executive Director section.
- i. Publications: Not present.

- j. PR: Vacant.
- k. Scholarships/Awards: Spoke about the need for more committee members and asked about cut off dates. Molly isn't sure she will be able to attend the annual MLA/DLA conference, but Jessica Olin (also a member of the committee) will be attending and can pinch hit if need be.
- l. State Friends: Not present.
- m. Website: See above.

New Business:

- a. Melody Schweitzer, the consultant we hired last year, came to speak with the group and to see if there was any unfinished business.
- b. We got an update about the fall DLA social outing. Some time was spent discussing how the focus really needs to be on social, not DLA.
- c. There was a preliminary conversation about the spring DLA social outing. We discussed how weather can be a factor in March, and how we don't want to get too close to the conference or legislative day.
- d. Ed reminded us that we needed to vote to accept the budget. We had some discussion about whether or not we had a quorum, and we did. Those voting in favor of the budget:
 - i. Jessica Olin
 - ii. Hannah Lee
 - iii. Melissa Jones
 - iv. Jen Delgado
 - v. Rose Harrison
 - vi. Lea Rossell
 - vii. Barbara Keeseey
 - viii. Ed Goyda

Our next meeting will be held on 11/19/15 from 4-6p at the Dover Public Library.

Barbara Keeseey called for an adjournment of the meeting at 5:26 and Hannah Lee second it. The motion passed.