

DLA Executive Board Meeting Notes
Thursday, March 20th, 2025 at 3:30pm

Minutes Approval and Announcements - Approved

Officer Reports

- President
 - Meeting 3/25 with Josh from MLA to discuss MOU. Draft will be circulated to Board
 - Membership chair information will be shared with an interested individual
 - Membership tier review – will wait until new committee chair in place. Please review Scott’s email and respond.
 - Conference – joint meeting rescheduled for next week. DLA conference scholarship opportunity is in process.
- VP / Conference Committee - Vacant
- Past-President / Long Range Planning – update coming soon
- Treasurer
 - Reports – see reports sent prior to the meeting
 - M&T CDs – CD recently matured and moved to an account with a higher interest rate. M&T Brokerage unit has reduced their minimum deposit amount to a \$10,000 threshold with higher rates than our current CD accounts. They are FDIC insured. Jaclyn recommends this approach and will investigate further. See Jaclyn’s report for more information.
- State Librarian – Discussed IMLS situation
- ALA Councilor – participating in ALA Council meetings.

Division Reports (as applicable)

- CRLD
 - Working on conference preparations
 - Searching for new officers
- DASL
 - Festival of Words, April 5, 2025
 - DASL President met with MASL
 - DASL updated the Outstanding Librarian/Administrator application.
- PLD
 - Working on conference preparations
 - Searching for new officers
- YSD
 - Spring meeting was successful with lots of sharing.
 - Blue Hen Award review committee starting back up.
 - Blue Hen 2026 award voting starts April 1.

Committee Updates (as applicable)

- Archives – no report
- Communications – DLA Bulletin published recently. Next issue to be published in August.
- Handbook and Bylaws – no report

- Intellectual Freedom– no report
- Legislative Action
 - DLA Legislative Day on March 13, 2025 went very well. Congratulations to Catherine Wimberley, Legislative Action committee, volunteers, and participants!
 - The draft letter to the Congressional delegation about IMLS was approved. Annie Norman suggested sending it to state legislators also. Scott will sign the letter. Catherine Wimberley, Annie Norman, and Anne Hiller Clark will send it out.
 - Discussion about plans for a social media campaign and an op-ed related to the IMLS situation.
- Membership
 - Listserv communication – ongoing conversation
 - Tiered structures – will be looked at in the future
 - Out of state membership – ongoing conversation
- Nominating
 - Nominations open for Secretary and Vice President/President-Elect
 - Susan Elizabeth Cordle is willing to assist Divisions with publicizing their openings.
- Scholarships and Awards - no report
- Social Justice – no report
- DDL Community Engagement Grants – no report

Next meeting – April 17, 2025 at 3:30pm