**OLA Executive Board Meeting**

**October 4, 2019 10 am – 3 pm**

**Hood River Library**

Present in person: Elaine Hirsch (President), Esther Moberg (Past President), Buzzy Nielsen (Parliamentarian), Jennifer Patterson (State Librarian), Bryce Kozla (CSD incoming co-chair), Laura Baca (Secretary), Kirsten Brodbeck-Kenney (ALA Representative), Star Khan (Member-at-large), Keli Yeats (OYAN co-chair)

Present via Zoom Meeting: Shirley Roberts (Association Manager), Kate Lasky (Vice President), Laurie Nordahl (OASL President), Sare Webster (SSD), Liisa Sjoblom (Conference Chair), Meredith Farkas (ACRL), Deborah VanDetta (CSD)

**Announcements**

* OYAN: Serving Unhoused Youth workshop in Gresham – October 18th
* REFORMA: hosting national conference in 2021
* OASL conference October 11 & 12 in Lincoln City
* New act passed can be used to fund licensed school librarians
* LDLC: legislative session starts in January
* Intellectual Freedom – Perry Stokes will be co-chair (with Kirsten)

54 challenges in Oregon this past year – considerable increase from previous years

**Overview of Executive Board** (Elaine Hirsch)

* Voting members include executive board and chairs of divisions
* Shirley, Buzzy & Jennifer are not voting members
* Task forces, round tables, etc. are welcome and stay informed but don’t vote
* Refer to organizational chart on website

**Approval of August 23rd minutes**

**Esther Moberg moved to approve the minutes; Kirsten Brodbeck-Kenny seconded. Motion carried.**

Minutes approved pending Elaine’s corrections & completion of 1st paragraph.

**FY 2020 Budget** (Shirley Roberts)

* Changes discussed at the August meeting have been incorporated
* We continue to be conservative regarding projecting conference income
* The budget can still be changed even after approved

**Esther Moberg moved to approve the budget; Keli Yeats seconded. Motion carried.**

**EDI (Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion) Taskforce** (Elaine Hirsch)

* Several members have already been identified
* Elaine will task members next week with developing a plan for the association, including actions OLA may undertake. Their recommendations will include immediate initiatives and inform planning for the future.
* We hope to have a draft at conference time and a final draft for June meeting
* Elaine will be hands-off but check in before board meetings

**Strategic Planning** (see printed memo from Kate Lasky)

* Current plan expires this year
* Kate Lasky, Elaine Hirsch & Jane Corry are working on update
* Committed to engaging membership & keeping all informed about progress
* Recommendation is to send survey out to membership; draft is being edited.
* Launch survey January 15
* Gift cards as incentive to take survey (funds from president’s discretionary budget)
* Plan will be available in time for 2020-2021 association year planning

**Vision 2030** (Elaine Hirsch)

OLA will wait until next year to tackle this because we are working on EDI &   
Strategic Planning. We are also still in Vision 2020.

**Library Squad** (Esther Moberg)

* About 7 people will meet in person this month
* They will present at OLA conference and will ask for feedback about what libraries are struggling with
* Ties in with access & equity - they want to help libraries with barriers
* They plan to apply for an LSTA grant and focus on 2-3 projects in first year
* Library applicants will need in-kind support or some kind of budget
* Application for libraries should be ready around conference time

**OLAQ Transition from Pacific University to OSU** (Elaine Hirsch & Esther Moberg)

* OSU’s open journal systems platform is almost ready to host
* Pacific’s bepress platform will sunset in November
* Communication committee of OLA may need to be restructured (chair is already aware of this)
* Looking for guest editors for future issues

**OLA Archives** (Elaine Hirsch)

* These are stored at but not cataloged by the State Library
* We have had a request from the conference committee for photos & ephemera to support the 80th anniversary
* We hope to coordinate with Caren Agata to visit the archives in connection with our December meeting

**Approval of 2021 Conference site at Salem Convention Center**

**Esther Moberg motions; Star Khan seconds. Motion carries.**

* Elaine will sign contract & deposit will be sent in
* 2022 will be PLA national conference in Portland. We will probably not do a conference that year but will need an annual meeting.
* 2023 tentatively planned for Red Lion on the River in Portland

**Association Manager’s Report** (Shirley Roberts)

* Our fiscal year ended August 31st
* Grant reports are being completed and applications for a new round of grants for OSLIS and OBOB continuation have begun.
* 400 schools are already registered for OBOB. 600 participants is the goal.
* Association manager will be reporting quarterly instead of every 6 months
* OASL conference coming up
* LSTA matching grants will be tracked by association manager

**Treasurer’s Report** (available online)

**National Library Legislative Day** (Buzzy Nielsen)

* Last year ALA only invited 1-2 people from each state – not successful
* Next year more people will be invited as in previous years
* All our representatives support LSTA funding but we still like to talk to them
* Legislative committee has funds to send a school libraries representative

**Chapter statement on Macmillan embargo and national campaign** (Elaine Hirsch)

* ALA has launched a national campaign against Macmillan embargo and encourages OLA to make a public statement
* Elaine Hirsch will draft a chapter statement and share with a small team before public release
* ODLC has not yet taken a stand but will have a meeting this month
* Buzzy Nielsen will investigate how we can move faster on these requests

**Conference Committee Report**

* Submissions are still being accepted
* Budget: trade show fees & technology costs have risen
* Committee is saving money where possible on food. They have also saved with Oregon speakers and local entertainment.
* Concern about costs for OASL members; a lower 1-day rate for Saturday or a discount code will be considered
* Future board may want to reconsider conference Saturdays starting 2023 (we are committed through 2021)

**Unit Reports**

OASL (Laura Nordahl)

* Upcoming conference
* Standards committee has completed work

Intellectual Freedom (Kirsten Brodbeck-Kenney)

* Working on conference sessions, including one on non-materials challenges
* More applicants than openings for board, which is great

OYAN (Keli Yeats)

* Fall workshop this month
* Nominations for OYEA recognition wanted
* Preparing for Mock Printz

ACRL-OR (Meredith Farkas)

* Pilot in September – will have 4 webinars per year
* Grant application to support collaborative project

CSD (Bryce Kozla & Deborah VanDetta)

* Had 1st summer reading program summit (will now do every other year instead of performer summit)
* Mock Theodor Seuss Geisel Award Workshop January 18th

REFORMA

* Selected to host national conference – 12 people will be part of national group of 30 planning
* Will charge dues when become division - $5 for full-time employees, free for others
* Mock Pura Belpré will be held in McMinnville in December

LDLC (Buzzy Nielsen)

* County law libraries or Dolly Parton Imagination Library not expected this short legislative session
* Working on conference sessions – census and how to communicate with legislators & policy makers
* Looking for another member
* Special Districts Association of Oregon – libraries do not feel well represented and would like a representative on the board

Awards committee has recruited Sonja Somerville to serve.

LIOLA – July 2021 in Cottage Grove

PLD (Kirsten Brodbeck-Kenney & Kate Lasky)

* Directors meeting and training went well
* PLD standards committee will meet next week

Oregon Complete Count Committee – OCCC (Esther Moberg)

* Working to help people understand importance of census, especially underrepresented populations
* Will help people take it online

**State Librarian Report** (Jennifer Patterson) (see printed report)

HB 2243 up for approval on October 18th

Elaine Hirsch’s action items:

* Sign hotel contract & send to Shirley
* Draft statement of McMillan embargo and share with team
* Reach out to EDI task force with charge to develop plan for association

Next meeting: December 6th at the State Library