

## **OLA Executive Board Meeting Minutes**

April 25, 2012

Riverhouse Convention Center

Bend, Oregon

3:00 – 5:00 pm

**Present:** Rob Everett (Past President), Abigail Elder (President), Arlene Weible (Secretary), Buzzy Nielsen (Parliamentarian), Anne-Marie Dietering (ACRL-Oregon), Deeda Chamberlain (Children's Services Division), Laura Madsen (Member-at-Large), Emily Papagni (Membership Committee), Hannah Gascho Rempel (ALA Representative), Kris Lutsock (Oregon Young Adult Network), Liisa Sjoblom (Treasurer), Eva Calcagno (Resource Sharing Committee), Holly Gerber (Legal Reference Round Table), Margaret Hazel (Library Technology Round Table), Judy Anderson (Intellectual Freedom Committee), Ted Smith (Public Library Division), Shirley Roberts (Association Manager), Todd Dunkelberg (Conference Committee), Michele Burke (Vice President), MaryKay Dahlgreen (State Librarian)

### **Welcome/Housekeeping/Introductions**

Abigail called the meeting to order. Todd welcomed attendees and provided housekeeping details and information about the Convention Center complex. Abigail welcomed Michele, OLA's newly elected Vice President.

### **Changes to the Agenda/ Approval of February 3, 2012 Executive Board Meeting Minutes**

Arlene relayed MaryKay's request to delay the State Librarian's report, as she is not available until 4:00 pm. It was moved to accept the February 3, 2012 minutes.

Motion: Deeda

Second: Liisa

The motion carried.

### **Association Manager's Report**

Shirley reported that she has been busy with conference work and preparation for the OLA/OASL merger.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Liisa noted that conference income looks good. She will provide copies on the tables of the current balance sheet at the OLA Business meeting on Thursday, and will provide contact information for herself and Shirley for any questions.

### **Honors and Award, Scholarships Committee**

Abigail reported on behalf of committee chair Leah Griffith. The committee made the following recommendations for recipients of the 2012 OLA awards:

Distinguished Service Award: Ellen Fader, Multnomah County Libraries  
Librarian of the Year: Ruth Murray, OASL, Portland State University

Library Employee of the Year: Rea Andrew, Newberg Public Library  
Library Supporter of the Year, Ann Malkin, Board Member, Deschutes Public Library

It was moved that the Board accept these recommendations.

Motion: Rob

Second: Ted

The motion carried.

### **Officer Nominations**

Rob noted the success of the Vice President special election and again welcomed Michele. He and Emily reported on the work of the Nominations Committee, thanking Buzzy for his additional assistance. They reported the following nominees:

Secretary

Brian Green – Columbia Gorge Community College

Steve Silver – Northwest Christian College

Vice President/President Elect

Todd Dunkelberg – Deschutes Public Library

Penny Hummel – Canby Public Library

It was moved to accept the nominations.

Motion: Liisa

Second: Kris

The motion carried.

Shirley will prepare the ballot, which should be sent to members within the next few weeks. Rob noted that in lieu of speeches at the Conference, candidates will be taping video addresses to be made available on the web site.

Emily raised the issue of tracking names of potential candidates for future use, and the difficulty identifying members that are active. Rob and Emily agreed to bring a report to the June board meeting on how to document nominations and the recruitment process.

### **2012 Conference Update**

Todd reported they have surpassed expected conference registration, with nearly 500 preregistered. He encouraged use of a downtown shuttle and an app for conference information, made available with the support exhibit vendor Boopsie. He also noted that exhibitor registration is good, and the number of sponsorship has increased over last year.

### **2013 Joint Conference Update**

No report was given, but Abigail noted that all Conference Committee positions have been filled. Garrett Trott will resume duties as co-chair.

## **2014 Conference Update**

Rob reported that he now has a final contract from the Salem Conference Center. He needs to do a final review, but expects to sign the contract shortly. The dates of the conference will be April 15-18, 2014.

## **Business Meeting Logistics**

The two bylaws changes to be voted on at the OLA Business meeting on Thursday were discussed. Buzzy has previously distributed to all OLA members the resolution on the OLA/OASL merger, and will read it at the meeting. Rob agreed to move that the resolution be adopted at the Business meeting, and speak in favor of it. A voice vote will be taken. Buzzy also previously distributed the bylaws cleanup changes to membership. They include cleaning up miscellaneous sections, provide for the ability of membership to call a special meeting of the Board, and for electronic voting. Buzzy will move that the changes be accepted at the meeting. It was noted that a table is reserved at the front of the room for Board members at the meeting.

## **Travel Expenses**

Abigail indicated that the Board needs to approve that she be reimbursed for expenses she incurred attending ALA Chapter Training at the 2012 Midwinter Conference. She was actually President at the time she took the training and the OLA budget allocates \$1,800 for the Vice President to attend. It was moved that Abigail be reimbursed her expenses (\$600) for the training.

Motion: Rob

Second: Deeda

The motion carried.

Abigail also reported that the OLA budget allocates \$1,800 for the Vice President to attend ALA Legislative Day in Washington D.C. When planning for the trip, the election had not yet been held, so the Legislation Committee recommended that Abigail attend. They also recommended that Buzzy attend, as the Hood River Public Library story is compelling, and it is in Rep. Walden's district. It was moved that Buzzy and Abigail be reimbursed for their expenses up to \$1,800.

Motion: Eva

Second: Hannah

The motion carried.

It was also noted that Michele will need to attend Chapter Training at the ALA Annual Conference, as this will be her only opportunity as Vice President. Because the conference is being held in a contiguous state (Anaheim, CA) she will receive a free conference registration. No further Board action was needed.

## **State Librarian's Report**

MaryKay was welcomed as she delivered her first report to the Board as State Librarian. She reported on two open manager positions at the State Library. The Government Research Services Program Manager position is open and will begin recruitment in the next week or so. The recruitment of the Library Development Program Manager has been delayed due to potential budget impacts of the mandate to reduce management service in state government.

MaryKay also reported on the Library and Archives Workgroup report, which made recommendations for increased collaboration among the State Library, State Law Library, and State Archives. The report was referred to a legislative task force on government efficiency, and it is expected that the recommendations will be accepted. The State Library is moving forward with some of the more straightforward recommendations.

MaryKay also noted that a new process has been implemented for building the 2013/2015 Governor's recommended budget. She reported that the State Library is under increased scrutiny by the Legislature, but hopes this will dissipate after the May meeting of the Emergency Board.

MaryKay alerted the Board that a number of State Library Board members will be attending the conference: Sue Burkholder, Aletha Bonebrake, Sam Hall, Susan Hathaway-Marxer, and Ray Miao.

MaryKay ended her report with an observation that public libraries should be working more proactively with early literacy groups, since early literacy is an area of focus of the Governor.

### **Information Literacy Proclamation**

MaryKay reported on behalf of the Legislation Committee that there will be a federal proclamation declaring October 2012 Information Literacy Month. She will be submitting the proclamation to the Governor so it will also be done at the state level. Other potential groups were mentioned for inclusion in the whereas section of the proclamation. MaryKay agreed to forward a copy of the proclamation to the Board when it is completed, and a will lead a discussion on how OLA might promote it at the June Board meeting.

### **Oregon Reader's Choice Award Committee Chair**

Abigail brought forward the nomination of Stuart Levy, of Inza Wood Middle School in Wilsonville, to chair the 2012-2014 ORCA Committee. It was moved that the nomination be accepted.

Motion: Rob

Second: Liisa

The motion carried.

### **Division/Round Table/Committee Updates**

**Public Library Division (PLD)** – Ted reported that they will be discussing the topic “Why have library standards” at the PLD business meeting at the conference.

**Library Technology Round Table** – Margaret reported that they are looking forward to their first meeting at the conference, and she has been spending time learning MemberClicks.

**Membership Committee** – Emily reported on the recent activities of the committee, including a presentation at an Emporia class about OLA, updates to the web page, staffing the Past Presidents table at the conference, and recording testimonials with OLA members. Upcoming projects include a mentoring program, updating the OLA FAQ and brochure.

**Intellectual Freedom Committee** – Judy reported on the successful transfer of the management of the challenged books database to the State Library and establishing an MOU with Pacific University for hosting the database. They are working on plans to promote the database, as well as plans for a web site and toolkit designed specifically to assist school librarians.

**ACRL-Oregon** – Anne-Marie reported that the group is working on plans for their fall conference, and on electing new officers. She encouraged Board members to attend the ACRL Social from 5-7:00 pm this evening.

**Resource Sharing Committee** – Eva reminded the Board that the committee proposal on reciprocal borrowing will be discussed at the conference. The Board will also discuss next steps at their June meeting.

**Legal Reference Round Table** – Holly reported that county law libraries are facing substantial budget cuts based on last minute actions by the 2012 Legislature.

**Support Staff (SSD)** – Abigail reported on behalf of Sean. He reported that SSD has seen a recent upswell of interest in participation for this year's conference from members, non-members, and civilians and it's shaping up to be a great event with widespread appeal. SSD is offering conference scholarships as well as transportation assistance for far-flung members to attend. Please look for SSD conference brochures and scholarship information at OLA. SSD is also currently working on a grant opportunity to provide mobile technology and book-mending workshops in rural areas of the state, as well as increase OLA/SSD membership via scholarship opportunities.

**Children's Services Division (CSD)** – Deeda reported that they will be sharing a table with OYAN at the conference. Linda Bellock of Salem Public Library is the winner of the Lampman Award. CSD is forming the next Mock Caldecott Committee, and is working on a project to help libraries develop science and technology programming.

**Oregon Young Adult Network (OYAN)** – Kris reminded the Board of the OYAN reception this evening, noting that the OYEA! Award would be presented around 6:10. OYAN's next board meeting will be May 4 at Lebanon Public Library. They will be looking for candidates for their board. Kris also reported that nearly 200 raffle tickets were sold online prior to the conference.

### **Next Meeting**

The next Board meeting will be June 8, 2012, in Newport at the OSU library.

### **Action items/Agenda items for next meeting**

Rob and Emily will bring a report to the June board meeting on how to document nominations and the recruitment process.

Shirley will prepare the 2012 OLA Officer ballot and distribute it in the next few weeks.

MaryKay will forward a copy of the Information Literacy proclamation to the Board when it is completed, and will lead a discussion on how OLA might promote it at the June Board meeting.

Eva will report on additional information gathering activities related to the Shared Collaborative Borrowing Program proposal at the June Board meeting.

The following action items were not acted upon at the April Board meeting, and will carry over to the June meeting.

Abigail will report on the status of the Oregon Authors Committee MOU with the State Library at the April Board meeting.

The Wise and Retired Round Table (WARRT) will be eligible for dissolution at the April Board meeting.

**Meeting adjourned at 4:45 pm**