OLA Board Meeting
June 6, 2014
10:00 am
Scappoose Public Library

Attendees: Buzzy Nielsen, Dan White, Emily Papagni, Valery King, Suzanne Sager, Candice Watkins, April Witteveen, Penny Hummel, Jane Corry, Mark Richardson, Elaine Hirsch, Pam North, Mary Kay Dahlgreen, Susan Ludington

Via GoToMeeting: Korie Buerkle, Shirley Roberts, Isaac Gilman, Brent Mills, Susan Stone, Gary Sharp

Housekeeping
Welcome to Scappoose, thanks Dan White for hosting

Introductions

Changes to Agenda
None

Approval of April Minutes: April Witteveen
- April Witteveen moves to accept the minutes as presented to the board.
- Pam North seconds
- Motion passes

2014 Election Results: Emily Papagni
- Official announcement: Congratulations to Jane Corry, incoming Vice President/President Elect and Stephanie Debner, incoming Secretary
- Thanks to Shirley for managing the election
- Need to contact other candidates: Candice and Penny did so
- Update to nominations document for future reference

Bylaws Changes: Buzzy Nielsen
- None to propose today
- Some upcoming business with round table bylaws (I.E. round tables may have more officers, whether chairs will be appointed or elected, etc)
- Regarding the “Big 4” OLA/HAS awards: the winners’ names are passed through OLA President for approval; other awards require board approval. Should these all just go through president and not require board approval? Board says yes, let’s make it consistent. Buzzy will investigate areas of bylaws that will require a change in this topic area.

Treasurer’s Report: Valery King
● Still doing well; Profit/Loss document looking pretty close to beginning year estimations.
  ○ Membership dues remain a bit short.
● Conference income not reported in the budget documents yet, conference committee working to finish up the financials. In general the conference looks to have been very profitable, upwards of $40,000 profit.
● Oregon Reads 2014 committee: email from Jim Scheppke. Overage of $260 given back to OLA General Fund to honor Shirley’s assistance with the year.

OLA Staff Report: Shirley Roberts
● Assisted with elections held for OLA Board and CSD.
● Will be working with Pam North to release the PLD ballot next week
● Finalizing conference financials including preconferences
● OLA Fiscal Policy updates (approved in August 2013); implementation of investment policy is the next step
● Working on grant reporting: OBOB, OSLIS, Scholarship Fund
● New affiliation members: info passed on to any unit that have new members/renewals
  ○ These units can then do their own welcome email/messaging. Right now ACRL-OR is the only one that’s doing this, other units are interested in having the same service. These emails can’t just go right to the member or unit heads, so monthly reports will be included with the financials that Shirley sends out.
● End of Year report forms for 13/14: Unit heads will need to complete and submit; this doc is prepared for the OLA Leadership Retreat
  ○ New Officers report as well
● Legislative committee website updated
● OASL Listserv bouncing issue being addressed
● Will be reviewing/cleaning up membership database this summer
● Reconstructing board meeting documents storage online for easier access

State librarian’s report: Mary Kay Dahlgreen
● State Library has second year of funding, hooray! Rep Nathanson was a superstar in her support for OSL
● Strategic planning time for OSL; build credibility, desire to move from team-based organization to service-based organization.
● Oregon Center for the Book: Oregon Humanities Board decided to not take that transfer at this time. Should someone from OLA meet with OSL staff to figure out next steps..? Might be time to spread the wealth (Literary Arts Org).
● Peter Sears = new state poet laureate.
● Libraries in Polk County: Falls City Library is struggling. Desire to form a library district.
● Early reading initiative with Chief Education Officer; bring in libraries!
● 2015/17 Biennial budget planning coming soon; OSL board submits to Governor for potential inclusion in his budget.

Library Development/Legislative Committee report: Penny Hummel
- Candice: Ad Hoc committee w/OASL, OSL members to discuss strategies for spreading messaging about school district improvement indicators (strong libraries in schools, House Bill 2586)
- Kudos to Candice for press release regarding school library support
- Parent group working in Beaverton re: school libraries; others can use message to contact local media.

Leadership Training Task Force: Penny Hummel
- After leaving PNLA in 2009, OLA does not have access to a local/regional leadership training opportunity. Penny wrote a document to outline the decision: [http://www.olaweb.org/assets/BoardMeetings/2014June/pnlamemo.pdf](http://www.olaweb.org/assets/BoardMeetings/2014June/pnlamemo.pdf)
- Emily Papagni is on Taskforce: survey through Libs-OR about what membership would like to see or has experienced from leadership trainings including PNLA Leads. No specific recommendation, but put forward four potential options: [http://www.olaweb.org/assets/BoardMeetings/2014June/ola%20task%20force%20full%20report.pdf](http://www.olaweb.org/assets/BoardMeetings/2014June/ola%20task%20force%20full%20report.pdf)
- Discussion about implications re: YRCA (Young Readers Choice Awards from PNLA) and ORCA, which was created after the split.
- Back to committee’s report and 4 options: can we look at some baby steps, IE bringing a leadership preconference and/or sessions.
- This discussion really is about two things: rejoining PNLA for access to LEADS, versus our desire for a leadership institute/experience
- What about other leadership opportunities— in the realm of business, for example, not just sticking to library leadership
- Need to really elucidate our goal as OLA to address the need, versus fixing a problem (no/limited access to LEADS)
- Continue this conversation at the OLA Leadership Retreat
- Emily: Message to Libs-Or regarding the feedback collected and next steps-- or at least to those who submitted feedback. Messaging to membership including report, discussing at retreat...notes to those individuals who provided feedback.
- Consensus is to explore other opportunities for providing leadership training vs. rejoining PNLA.

2014 Scholarship Recipients: Gary Sharp
- Received 13 scholarship applications to review; recommend to award to 12 of them
- Gary supplied the board with a report on the scholarship recipients as well as several reports on the progress of past scholarship recipients.
- Gary is still working with Jim Scheppke to see about future funding; meeting in a couple of weeks to discuss fundraising. With our own funding sources we could see about updating criteria to accompany certain areas of need within librarianship, etc
- Motion to approve scholarships
  - Candice Watkins moves to approve recipients.
  - Suzanne Sager seconds.
  - Motion passes
OLA-Q migration update: Isaac Gilman
- First issue published/hosted via Pacific U went great!
- Now working on getting back issues uploaded and indexed.
- From Sarah Kelso: stats for each article downloaded passed around

Lunch

Open Forum
None

National Library Legislative Day: Candice Watkins
- On May 6: a group went to DC. Jane Corry, Mary Kay Dahlgren, Susan Stone, Abigail Elder, and Sarah Charlton.
- Pushed for sustained LSTA funding, Net neutrality issues, open access support to taxpayer funded research; privacy and surveillance.

See to Read: Pam North
- After initial discussion on this project at April’s meeting--
- HB 3000 requiring 3-7 children have vision screening before school starts this fall (6 mo. grace period).
- Nan Heim met with Lions, Elks, and Eye Institute to promote public libraries as facilities for eye testing
- 3 locations St Helens, Milwaukie, and Madras libraries are set to host screenings with Elks in August
- Let those organizations lead, libraries can host

2014 Conference: Penny Hummel
- BJ Toewe submitted conference report
- 454 registrants
- Upwards of $40,000 profit

2015 Conference: Candice Watkins
- Still putting together conference committee, will be set by end of June
- Need a co-chair, ideally from mid-valley area.

2016 Conference: Michele Burke and Candice Watkins
- Working with Peter Winters as a third party conference negotiator to get contract set for Bend. April 26-29 as dates on hold with Riverhouse.
- Following up on thoughts regarding having a third party negotiator in general. Is this best practice? Bring in Shirley to assist and provide organizational history? Peter has specific knowledge in the market, etc..

2014 Retreat: Candice Watkins
● Date is July 28-29 at Silver Falls; more info to come soon! Executive board page on website has an area for the retreat to store documents, etc.

**LIRT/ILAGO LSTA Grant proposal: Candice Watkins**

- Grant proposal info:
  - [http://www.olaweb.org/assets/BoardMeetings/2014June/lsta%20brief%20grant%20proposal%20information%20literacy.pdf](http://www.olaweb.org/assets/BoardMeetings/2014June/lsta%20brief%20grant%20proposal%20information%20literacy.pdf)
    - Information literacy for college readiness, working with OYAN and OASL
- Shift to common core state standards demand a need for evaluation and searching skills (i.e. information literacy)
- ILAGO asks OLA to become permanent fiscal agent if the grant is accepted. Clatsop Community College is willing to temporarily be fiscal agent for application period.
- Penny reviews OLA’s involvement in other LSTA grant projects (OSLIS, OBOB, scholarship program) How would this request fit in with other programs already in place, especially in the eyes of the LSTA Board? How do we manage member unit requests for resources from orgs like LSTA, in the big picture?
- Comment from April: is there precedence of similar funded projects with LSTA? Candice: More of a focus on some writing curriculum projects. A project from several years ago from OASL focused on information literacy did get a couple years of funding, in Buzzy's memory.
- Mary Kay reviewed LSTA grants in general and Oregon's share
- Where would this fall in priority level as compared to other projects?
- 16 short proposals submitted this year, council asking to have 9 of them come back
  - Unfortunately this grant is not one of them.
- Could take a look at responses on proposal and re-present next year, figure out priority for OLA
- This proposal did need to have OLA Board approval according to bylaws, but that didn’t happen so we’ll need to remember the appropriate steps to take.

**ALA Career Development Program: Penny Hummel**

- Information here:
  - [http://www.olaweb.org/assets/BoardMeetings/2014June/alacareerdevelopment%20facilitatorprogram.pdf](http://www.olaweb.org/assets/BoardMeetings/2014June/alacareerdevelopment%20facilitatorprogram.pdf)
- Costs of participating would need to be born by OLA
- Not sure if the costs would be a huge value with one person being trained and getting one program at a conference out of it.
- Let’s focus on our own initiatives like a leadership program

**Unit Reports**

**PLD: Pam North**

- Met last week, debriefed conference, standards, conference program ideas for next year
- 10/10 PLD directors meeting in Hillsboro
Membership Committee: Emily Papagni
- Mentoring program tables at lunch at conference was good, had some great programs, BINGO was a success. Free membership went to Heather Sears, a library worker at the Fern Ridge Library in Veneta.
- Mentoring program hits one year mark; evaluation surveys going out

ILAGO: Candice Watkins
- Info lit summit: great success
- School library press release; if you want to send this on to local media, please do so and let Candice know so she can track.
- Candice made the cover of “Coast Weekend” magazine for “In Libraries I Believe” project. Great advocacy project. Mary Kay suggests submitting this to OLA publications

ALA Council: Suzanne Sager
- Appointed to Chapter Relations committee, hooray! Heading to Vegas for ALA Annual Conference

Legal Reference Round Table: Sue Ludington
- Overlap/collaboration with Reference RT in discussion; identifying RT members, etc.

OYAN: Mark Richardson
- Debriefed conference; next year looking at school partnerships, informational texts and nonfiction reading (CCSS). Great raffle, sold more than ever!
- Ian Duncanson is chair elect after elections this spring.

Parliamentarian Update: Buzzy Nielsen
- Hood River hosting evergreen ILS conference; OLA had submitted letter of support for the bid.

CSD: Korie Buerkle
- Elections. Barratt Miller is incoming chair.
- Strategic planning process in the works.
- Sent Jane Corry to DC for legislative day

ACRL-Or: Isaac Gilman
- Elections held. Hannah Rempel
- Letter written to support OASL standards getting submitted to ODE.
- Planning for Menucha in the fall

Susan Stone: OASL
- Election results: Stephanie Thomas
- Planning for retreat;
- Fall event in place of conference to be held on October 18 in the evening with author Angela Johnson. Thanks to OSL, etc, for assisting with school libraries press release.
Library Technology Round Table: Brent Mills

- The LibTech Roundtable has been talking with Marshall Breeding about integrating local experts/mentors within his Library Technology Guides website. Basically, provide a platform where people around the state of Oregon (and further out) can search for people who have a certain skillset, say "cataloging, HTML, CSS, Java, Scripting Languages, RDA, etc..." and if they'd be amenable to being contacted for help in those areas from Oregon library staff. Marshall seems interested in the idea and the WLA's TRIP unit is also on board with us in moving forward.

- We are currently holding elections for both the Vice Chair/Chair Elect and Secretary position.

- Thanks to those who came by the LibTech RT table at the 2014 OLA conference in Salem. We had a great set of sponsored/co-sponsored sessions as well and received positive feedback.

Meeting Adjourned at 1:45pm