

**Oregon Library Association Public Library Division  
Executive Board Meeting**

August 20, 2021, via Zoom

**Present:** Halsted Bernard (Tigard Public Library), chair-elect; Amanda Bressler (Albany Public Library), at-large; Laura Kimberly (Newport Public Library), chair; Haley Lagasse (North Bend Public Library), at-large, Chris Myers (Lake Oswego Public Library), secretary; Will O’Hearn (Eugene Public Library), at-large.

**Absent:** Glenn Ferdman (Beaverton City Library), at-large; Erin Wells (Walla Walla Public Library), immediate past-chair

**1. Call to Order**

Chair Laura Kimberly called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

**2. Approval of minutes of July 9, 2021, meeting**

The minutes of the board’s July 9 meeting were approved without change. They have been posted on the PLD website.

**New Business**

**3. PLD Fundraiser Update**

No update.

**4. PLA 2022**

- OLA is offering two preconferences—one on diverse voices and one from support-staff division. Halsted will help with this, and we will ask the new members if they are interested in helping out.
- Chris will contact the PLA Conference’s local-events liaison/coordinator to ask about getting an evening social event (we like the idea of a karaoke party at a karaoke bar, VoiceBox, near the Convention Center) on the conference events calendar.

**5. Next PLD Training Date**

- Kristen Broadbeck-Kenny recruited Emily O’Neil and Perry Stokes. Maybe a two-prong approach: one being EDI and the other being Intellectual Freedom. There are connections between the two, as in putting out a display of diverse materials, as for Pride Month, for example.
- Issues that we might address:
  - How to promote and protect intellectual freedom

- How to educate staff and patrons about these issues
- What policies and procedures do we need to have in place
- What are some scenarios that we can use—e.g., First Amendment

audits.

- Examine the life-cycle of a policy.
- Be sure to include who to call for help.
- Maybe include someone from ALA Intellectual Freedom office to talk about how they can help.

- Possible date: Friday, October 29.

**6. Next regular meeting: 10 a.m.-noon Friday, September 10, on Zoom**

## **7. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 11 a.m.