NMLA Board Meeting, Laguna Public Library, Laguna, New Mexico

April 4, 2014 Meeting Minutes

**Board members present:** Mary Ellen Pellington, Kat Gullahorn, Janice Kowemy, Valerie Nye, Joe Sabatini, Tamera Sandia, Cynthia Shetter, Melanie Templet, and LeAnn Weller

**Guests:** Sharon Jenkins, Marian Frear, Melanie Chavez, Stacey Stoll

The meeting was called to order at 1:10 pm by Mary Ellen.

Agenda was approved and passed unanimously.

**Officer Reports**

**Secretary**
Val moved to approve the minutes from the January board meeting. Kat seconded the motion which was passed unanimously.

**Treasurer**
There was discussion about moving to a Credit Union. It was decided more information was needed should be presented at the next meeting.

Val approved the Treasure’s report (report attached). Kat seconded the motion which was passed unanimously.

**President (Mary Ellen Pellington)**
Book Award committee has finished the Land of Enchantment Procedures Manual and a draft leadership roster 2014/2015. An updated NMLA board member roster was given out and needed corrections were made.

There was discussion about filling a Members at large position. There was a motion for Mary Ellen to contact Jose and one other person to discuss interest in the Nomination committee chair by Tamera, The motion was seconded by Val. Motion passed.

**Vice President (Janice Kowemy)**
Report was sent.

**Members-at-large**
- Kat Gullahorn
  - Academic SIG (report Attached)
  - Battle of the Books (report attached)
- Tamera Sandia
- NAL SIG
- Bonds for Libraries

- Stephanie Wilson
  - Resource sharing
  - Local and Regional History

ALA/APA Councilor (Valerie Nye)
Report was submitted. (report attached) Nothing more was added

**Representative Reports**

AASL Representative (Rachel Altobelli)
No report received

MPLA Representative (LeAnn Weller)
Report received (report attached). Nothing more was added.

Newsletter & Website Editor (Robyn Gleasner)
Report was submitted (report attached)

**Committee Reports**

Archivist (Stacey Stoll)

Awards Committee (Mildred Walters)
The Board discussed scheduling a lunch to present The Legislator of the Year Award to Kiki Saavedra and the guy from Target.

Bylaws Committee (Cassandra Arnold)
Report submitted (report attached)

Education (Kevin J. Comerford)
Report submitted (report attached)

Intellectual Freedom Committee

Through email:
Val contacted Josh Benjamin in February (the Intellectual Freedom Committee Chair). She asked him if he was still interested in serving on the committee and if he had ideas for work that needed to be accomplished. She did not hear back from him.

She said she knows Caroline Dechert also attempted to contact him before she resigned from her co-chair position on the committee and was unsuccessful in communicating with him.
Nothing more was added at the meeting.

Legislation Committee (Joe Sabatini, Cynthia Shetter)
Report was submitted (report Attached)
The GO Bond bill was passed by the Legislature and signed by the Governor. The next step is to pass it with the voters in November.
Longtime library advocate, Representative Sandoval is not running for re-election, and will be missed.

Membership Committee
This committee needs a Chair person.

Nomination & Election Committee

Program Committee
Janice needs to appoint someone.

Public Relations Committee (Melanie Templet)
There was no Mini Conference held so there was no need to promote it.
Mary Frear took over the Facebook page.

**Old Business**
Fund raising through Amazon was discussed. Janice said she would have Paulita find out more information about it.

**New Business**
The 2014 Mini conference was canceled. Kat moved to hold the 2015 mini conference in Laguna in April 2015; the dates are still pending. Janice will confirm the dates and let everyone know. The motion was seconded by Val. Motion passed.

The 2014 Conference will be held in Ruidoso. Janice is looking at the Convention Center and the Inn of the Mountain Gods Resort and Casino. She is looking for the best deal packages.

The Conference Site committee needs to recommend a site for the 2015 Fall Conference.

The gavel was passed to Janice.

The meeting ended at 2:10pm