

Executive Board Meeting
March 19, 2014

Attendance: Debby Bennett, Natalie Burclaff, Margaret Carty, Emily Gamertsfelder, Pat Hofmann, Lucy Holman, Elizabeth Howe, James Kelly, Eileen Kuhl, Tara Lebherz, Danielle Whren Johnson, Robert Maranto, Monica McAbee, Dennis Nangle, Jessica Nhem, Carl Olson, Heather Owings, Carrie Plymire, Elizabeth Pratt, Stuart Ragland, Donna Sebly, Glennor Shirley, Lou Sica, John Venditta, Lynn Wheeler

Excused Absences: David Dahl, Joanna Gadsby, Mary Hastler, Erica Karmes- Jesonis, Daria Parry, Jo Pinder, Elizabeth Pratt, Cindy Steinhoff, Katy Sullivan

Unexcused Absences – Annette Haldeman, Morgan Miller

Meeting was called to order at 10 AM by Carrie Plymire

Changes to the Agenda

There was one change to the agenda. There will be a demonstration of the Smart Board by Stuart Ragland.

Minutes of January 15, 2014

Lynn Wheeler motioned that the minutes of January 15, 2014 be approved with no changes. John Venditta seconded.

Treasurers Report-Margaret Carty for Daria Parry

- Organization is in good standing
- The investment account is doing well. The investment account is over \$100,000.
- At the February Steering Committee the draft budget for 2014-2015 was reviewed
- If presidents of Divisions and Interest Groups have not contacted Daria it will be assumed that projected budget is acceptable
- The next draft of the FY15 budget will be presented to the Budget and Finance Committee in April
- The final vote on the FY15 budget will take place at the June meeting
- Donna Sebly moved to accept the draft budget. It was approved by the group

Old Business

Division Revision Report-Emily Gamertsfelder

- Task force recommended that DEAL consider becoming the New Member Division which would incorporate more new members not just students
- Recommend that the Library Management Division (LMD) absorb the Leadership Development Committee and be renamed the Leadership Development Division (LDD)
- Task force recommended that the APLSS division become the Support Staff Interest Group if they experience difficulty filling all positions. The members of the group would like to remain a division. This was approved.

- It was recommend that Interest Group Chairs participate on the Conference Committee and attend Executive Board meetings
- The title MLA was added to the name of all committees that serve the organization
- A relational organizational chart was added
- It was recommended that the organizational structure of MLA be examined before each Strategic Plan
- Task the Leadership Development Division with creating an annual training session for prospective division officers.

Donna Sebly asked that the wording in the report about lack of potential officer candidates be changed to “not available” for offices in PSD and APLSS.

Lynn Wheeler motioned that the report be approved with the above changes and Lucy Holman seconded.

Strategic Planning Report-Debby Bennett

Strategic Planning Survey was sent to members on March 19. The response date is March 28. The Task Force will set up meeting dates to create a Strategic Plan draft. The draft will be sent to members via email. The final Strategic Plan will be approved at the June meeting.

Budget- Margaret Carty

The 2014-2015 Budget will be approved at the April Steering committee meeting.

Capital Campaign Report-Lynn Wheeler

The Capital Campaign has \$5,278 dollars at this time. There have been 21 donors. Pat Hofmann donated \$1000. The goal is to have up to 75 donors by the MLA Conference. Anyone who has donated will be eligible for a free drink on Wednesday or Thursday evening. The final check will be presented to Margaret on Thursday evening. \$12,000 has been spent from the investment fund for MLA office updates. This money will be replaced by the Capital Campaign funds.

New Business

Dennis Nangle gave the SMUG report

SMUG has developed prepackaged programs about using social media that are available for members.

They are also developing social media for the conference. Live tweets will be available.

There will be a social media form for programs located on the MLA site.

President’s Report-Carrie Plymire

Carrie summarized her goals for her term.

- The Strategic Plan is being completed.
- Membership is growing.
- Discussion of how to present online programming is continuing. The Professional Development Panel and DLDS have developed some suggestions. SMUG has offered some online programs and the programs were free for members and nonmembers were charged a fee. Online programs still involve administrative time so the \$60 Administrative fee will be required for all programs.

- Attended Legislative Day and regarded the day as a success.

Past Presidents Report-Lynn Wheeler-No Report

Vice-Presidents Report-John Venditta

- Attended the Radical Readers opening session at Spauldings Branch of Prince George's County sponsored by MSEA
- Attended an MSDE program honoring Gifted and Talented students, teachers and principals with the Executive Director.
- **ALA Councilor's Report-Pat Hofmann**
- Attended ALA Midwinter and went to the Chapter Leaders Forum, Council Orientation and the Chapter Relations meeting.
- There is a new program Policy Revolution which was funded by the Bill Gates foundation which will be an action plan for the future of libraries.
- (ALA) has announced The Lemony Snicket Prize for Noble Librarians Faced With Adversity, sponsored by the award-winning children's author, Daniel Handler.

Conference Director's Report-Margaret Carty for David Dahl

- Poster Sessions have been finalized. There will be a broad spectrum of topics.
- The sessions will be in Conference Room # 5 all day on Thursday. There will be dedicated times when a poster session will have a representative available.
- An announcement has been sent through Marylib for suggestions of different activities for Wednesday evening

Executive Directors Report-Margaret Carty

- There 42 Legislators present and a total of 136 attendees at the Legislative Reception
- Margaret had a very positive conversation with the Secretary of Veteran Affairs. His office will be contacting libraries about collaborating.
- Attended the Gifted and Talented program sponsored by MSDE with VP John Venditta
- Attended Radical Readers program at the Spauldings Branch. PGCMLS and the Green Eggs and Ham celebration at Harry Brown's in Annapolis.
- Julie Zamostny held conference meeting for 2015
- NASA would like to collaborate with MLA. Two representatives from NASA will be present at the May conference and will be a part of the 2015 conference.
- Election voting results will be announced next week

PSD-Donna Sebly

- PSD collaborated with RAIG and OSIG on the program , Rekindle the Fire
- PSD has updated their webpage

CSD-Tara Lebherz

- Janis Cooker is retiring
- Completing preparations for two upcoming programs in March and April, Dance like a Scientist
- Working on Kids Are Customers in October, 2014
- Blue Crab Committee for 2014 has been formed

Legislative Committee-Glennor Shirley

- Coordinated visits with legislature

MLLI-Bob Maranto

- There were 35 applicants for the MLLI program-only 24 will be accepted
- There will be a 50/50 raffle at conference for MLLI

APLSS- Lou Sica

- They will be rescheduling the Teamwork workshop that was cancelled because of weather at the Arbutus Library

ACRL-Natalie Burclaf

- Middle States standards no longer include information literacy. After the first draft, many people gave feedback through the digital form, but many librarians in the area attended the local town hall meeting to discuss this.

IFAP-Monica McAbee

IFAP is in need of a new candidate to be the president of IFAP. Mark DeJong has accepted another position.

RAIG-Monica McAbee

- RAIG is hosting a Nonfiction Readers Advisory Workshop in Howard County
- Exploring using electronic media for readers advisory

LMD-James Kelly

- Following a successful meet and greet which targeted grant writers, we are working with Rocco DeBonis (DLDS) to assist in a follow-up training for the same group.
- Last year's LMD meeting at the Maryland Archives was well received; therefore, we are planning a meeting at the Station North Tool Library in April.
- Held a online book discussion of Dan Pink's *To Sell is Human*

Technology Committee-Stuart Ragland

- Team has been evaluating new software and other technology products for MLA office

Government Information Interest Group-Carl Olson

- GIS training at Johns Hopkins on May 16
- Planning additional GIS training meetings

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 AM