

Maryland Library Association
Executive Board/Advisory Council Meeting Minutes
July 15, 2015 9 AM – 10 AM

Attendance: Andrea Berstler (Conference), Mary Anne Bowman (Bylaws), Natalie Burclaff (ACRL MD), Margaret Carty (MLA), Jim DeArme (SMUG), Maria Epperley (PSD), Christine Feldman (Fundraising), Joanna Gadsby (Marketing & Membership), Teonja Jung (SSD), Annette Haldeman (Crab), Mary Hastler (President), Elizabeth Howe (Archivist), Monica McAbee (IFAP), Carl Olson (GIIG), Tina Pickens (OSIG), Carrie Plymire (Nominations), Stuart Ragland (Technology), Julie Ranelli (Conference), Lou Sica (SSD), Cindy Steinhoff (Awards), Katy Sullivan (Secretary), Patty Sundberg (Treasurer), Tiffany Sutherland (TIG), Kathleen Teaze (VP), John Venditta (Past President)

Excused Absences: James Kelly (MLLI)

Call to order at 9:12 AM

Changes to the Agenda - none

Minutes from May 20, 2015 – K. Sullivan

- K. Teaze moved to approve the minutes. E. Howe seconded the motion.

Treasurer's Report – P. Sundberg

- Five reports were distributed: Balance Sheet (green), Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual (buff); Programs and Divisions brief (gold), Programs and Divisions expanded (salmon), and Divisions and Projects Budget (hot pink).

New Business – M. Hastler

- The establishment of a new group has been requested, the Maker Interest Group. The group would be chaired by Stephanie Long. For the first year, the group would operate by requesting funds. M. McAbee motioned to approve establishing the group and K. Teaze seconded the motion. Executive Board voted to approve.

President's Report – M. Hastler

- Reports that MLA is off to a great start this year.
- M. Carty is working on MLA's recertification for the Standards for Excellence (Maryland Nonprofits Organization).
- M. Hastler appeared as a guest on *Midday with Dan Rodricks* with John Palfrey, author of *BiblioTech: Why Libraries Matter More Than Ever in the Age of Google*. Listen to the show here: <http://wypr.org/post/libraries-digital-age>.

Past President's Report – J. Venditta

- Attended ALA Annual Conference in San Francisco.

ALA Councilor's Report –not in attendance

Conference Director's Report – A. Berstler

- The Conference Committee is meeting later in the day.
- Suggested conference speaker: Dan Rodrick

Executive Director's Report – M. Carty

- Working on recertification for the Standards for Excellence. Will be reviewing all MLA policies and bringing any issues to the Board for review.
- Requests that all divisions and groups send Kate a list of meetings for the upcoming year (with date, time, and location). Meeting information needs to be sent by the first of the month to show up on the MLA calendar.
- Also requests that all divisions and groups send Kate a list of their social media sites, with login/password and the name of the administrator.
- Divisions and groups can send a “save the date” announcement about an upcoming program, but the program must be fully approved by PDP before it is officially advertised.
- The Baltimore Book Festival will take place in the Inner Harbor 9/25-9/27. More information can be found here: <https://www.baltimorebookfestival.com/>. J. Gadsby is coordinating the MLA booth and will send out a call for volunteers to help.
- MLA will undergo an audit on August 26th. The office is preparing.
- At the September board meeting, the investment manager will present to the board.
- Attended the annual ALA conference in San Francisco. Spent a lot of time talking executive director of the Virginia Library Association. VLA ran a “presentation academy” that MLA is considering running in Maryland.
- Will be on vacation through August 10 and attending MACO August 13-14.

L. Sica moved to adjourn. P. Sundberg seconded the motion. Adjourned at 9:45 A.M.

Respectfully submitted by Katy Sullivan on July 21, 2015.