



ABOS Board Minutes

July 14, 2017

The meeting was called to order by President Ann Plazek.

Present: Ann Plazek, Tina Williams, Brooke Bahnsen, M. Courtney, Marianne Thompson, Kim McNeil-Capers, David Kelsey, Thomas Moore, Susan Parkins,

Absent: Gina Fuller, Rose Huling, Michael Swendrowski

Some continued problems with the Conference Call host, Tina's library uses Uber conference call. Her library is hosting the August conference call.

Secretary's Report for June 16, 2017 was approved with Bernard Vavrek Scholarship applications corrected to 2.

Treasurer's Report - Monthly financial reports for March and June 2017 were approved

- March was updated with corrected numbers
- June report reflects the filing fee for the Illinois Secretary of State
- ALA was paid
- First registration money had trickled in
- We need an Illinois dwelling member to file in that state.

Committee Reports:

Advocacy - Susan/Kim - no updates

Awards - David

- Scholarship Applications stood at 27 for the Carol Hole Award, the highest number ever; 1 for the John Philip Award and 2 for the Bernard Vavrek Award.
- July 31st deadline allows the Committee to have an extra buffer for selection.

BOIR - Repository/Database – Michael

- Had not met, a Doodle Poll was out for the next meeting.
- Ann pitched to grad schools at ALA.
- Information was available at the Diversity Fair.

Conference Planning/Long Range planning -- Ann & Tina

- Tina contacted presenters to formalize their information for the program. She had some problems getting people to return her calls. She is following up.
 - The Tabletop form is in the folder so that we can add topics. Ann added last year's Tabletop topics to the folder.
 - Board approved 3 of the 4 hardship applications.
 - David proposed that the new (2018) VP keep the documents up to date.
 - All information is under Programs in the CP folder in the shared drive.
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- As of the 14th, we had 23 registrations included 3 early bird non-members, 6 presenters and 2 Board members
 - Discussed the number of registrations for 2016, it was between 250-260.
 - Discussed whether the T-shirt purchase could be separated from the rest of the registration as some Library pay for their staff to attend. Ann will consult with Amigos to resolve this.
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- Vendors: As of the meeting, we had commitments from Farber and Summit Bodyworks. Ann and Eletha are emailing back and forth about the vendors they are contacting.
 - Some possibilities: Bike vendors, Playaways, Uline, Moroney, Thorndike and Center Point. Pre-loaded e-readers. Ann spoke with Cengage.
 - David asked about Pennsylvania Talking Books.
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- Program update: Ann has been receiving emails asking what we are offering and wondered if we could send out monthly teasers. Tina plans to send out a pdf. Ahead of time as directors want to know prior to authorizing Conference attendance.

Marketing - Gina Not present, sent email with Bling attachments for us to view.

Membership - Courtney/Thomas

- Cold calls were not working as Thomas was shunted from person to person.
- Board members agreed that calls put people on the spot and emails worked better.
- Ann suggested we look at the Bookmobile map on the drive.
- Discussion about who on library staffs get excited about Outreach and how do we reach the right people. Since many libraries have multiple divisions doing some type of Outreach, Tina suggested we start with the Bookmobile and ask who else we should contact.

- Our letters will mention the Raleigh conference as well as Pittsburgh.
- Courtney will email Ann with the time of the next Membership Committee meeting.

Nominations/Past Presidents - Marianne No updates.

Technology - Tina

- The Committee has divided into groups, they were meeting the following week to report and regroup.
- Working through the list of Tech tasks for ABOS.

Old Business

- Bookmobile Guidelines
 - Last updated in 2008.
 - Those who have a bookmobile were encouraged to look at the guidelines to see if any changes need to be made.
 - Reach out to the listserv to see if anyone is willing to participate in this project.
 - ALA library guides have old links to the 2004 Guidelines.
- Insurance recommendations
 - ARSL has a similar policy,
 - The insurance person Ann consulted thought the policy was reasonable and Ann recommended we go with it.
 - Fiduciary liability would cost an additional \$100 but would protect the organization.
 - Decided to table. Ann will get an updated quote as this one is about to expire. Any questions should be emailed to Ann.

New Business

- ALA
 - Marianne told us that 144 people came to the Bookmobile. Four vehicles were present and the 12-3 open hours were good. There were lots of questions.
 - Martin was the only Bookmobile vendor at there. He reported that he had people asking about the conference.

Announcements

- Board meetings will be held the 3rd Friday of the month at 2 pm Mountain, 3 pm Central Time, 4 pm Eastern Time. Next meeting will be August 18th.
- Tina wondered if any Board members were going to ARSL.
- We want to discuss offering free ABOS memberships to Spectrum scholars.

Adjournment at 4:06 CST.