

WAAL Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 7, 2022
2:00-3:00pm
Teleconference via Microsoft Teams

Present: Sarah Bakken (Secretary), Liz Kaune (Acting Chair), Shauna Edson, (ACRL Representative), Nicole Breed (Conference Committee Chair/ Vice Chair)

Call to order at 2:04

- I. Approve June 2021 Meeting Minutes
 - a. Motion to approve Liz; Sarah seconds motion; None opposed. Minutes approved.
- II. Recreate Most popular sessions because hybrid sessions didn't work out
 - a. Already reached out to most popular sessions (based on survey) to see if they would be willing to recreate their sessions in a video format
 - b. 2/3 of Liz's contacts agreed
 - c. Nicole agreed to recreate hers; conversation cafes with Mark and Alli are okay with doing this. By July 1st.
 - d. \$25 cost fee (checking with WLA president); did attend it can be free.
 - e. Also looking to post slides from other presentations to make available on the website.
- III. Future Conferences
 - a. Quarterly meeting- topic related to it- in person at a campus.
- IV. WLA Board Meeting update- Liz
 - a. WLA has Office lease for WLA through May 2023. Looking for someone to sublet through SCLS
 - b. Virtual conferences went well last year
 - c. Membership numbers are encouraging
 - d. Committee is looking to restructure author award so there isn't a monetary award with 3 different awards rather than 1. Awards for fiction, nonfiction, and poetry. The board is checking with foundation to see how to get this approved.
 - e. The position for the liaison to Public Library Association will most likely be eliminated.
 - f. Reviewed [code of conduct policy](#) and want to make it so attendees check and agree when registering for future conferences.
 - g. Went over open leadership positions in WLA
 - h. Changes to membership categories. Expand life membership institution. Proposed a open up trustee membership and a potential vendor membership.
- V. Intellectual Freedom SIG meeting- Nicole
 - a. Discussed how intellectual freedom policy should be woven into all policies, but it doesn't hurt to have a separate one to point to.
 - b. Working on creating a "patron friendly" policy.
- VI. Open committee position
 - a. We don't have a past chair/WLA Board Liaison. Looking to fill a WLA Board Liaison.

- b. Shauna is willing to volunteer for this role, but we first want to open it up to volunteers to see if there is interest since our board is small right now.
 - c. **Action Item: Everyone should start recruiting for next year's conference co-chairs and committee volunteers.**

- VII. Website Updates
 - a. WAAL website needs to be updated.
 - b. **Action Item: Sarah will include that in an email to Hannah with the approved June minutes.**

- VIII. Conference planning 2023
 - a. Sarah poses question of do we need to look into the venue for next year's conference. Committee discuss how Lambeau field is potentially an option in the works. More to come.

- IX. Next meeting will be in person Friday afternoon of WAAL Conference. **Action Item: Liz will set up official time and place for meeting.**

Meeting Adjourned 2:55pm