

Wisconsin Small Libraries Section - WISL - Agenda  
Regular Board Meeting  
July 13, 2020  
Online via Zoom

**Call to Order**

Chair Amy Stormberg called the meeting to order at 2:10

**Roll Call**

Jamie Hein, Sherry Machones, Amy Bodzislaw, Amy Stormberg, Tammie Blomberg, Gina Rae, Kent Barnard, Sara Klemann, Jackie Rammer (left at 3:13)

**Approval of the Agenda**

Moved: Gina Second: Kent; Motion Passed

**Approval of the Minutes from February 2020**

Moved: Tammie Second: Sara; Motion Passed

**Welcome to all Guests -- Introductions**

There were no guests in attendance.

**WISL Leadership Meeting -- WAPL -- Cancelled**

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**WISL Sponsored Programs for WAPL -- Cancelled**

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**WISL Meetups**

- Amy asked what others thoughts were on this considering it may not be possible to meet up for quite some time. Angie suggested an online meeting. Gina suggested having a series or themes.
- Jackie wondered what YSS was doing in offering services. Jackie suggested the following topics:
  - Reopening,
  - adult programming,
  - collaborating with YSS for children's & teen services
- Gina suggested trying to keep it light and fun.
- In terms of time, Tammie suggested September as a good time to start.
- People needed would be a host and someone to handle the logistics and one or two others to help with anything else.
- Amy suggested Thursday or Friday as a fun, informative way to end one's week.
- Gina volunteered to help; Angie volunteered to help with setting up Zoom

- Sherry mentioned the possibility of WLA having a fall virtual event in October and that our online meetup could be a part of it.
- Angie recommended having a WISL roundtable on August 27 at 2:00pm and that she was willing to host. WISL meeting will happen after the roundtable at around 3:00pm.
  - Like WISPUBLIB, but on Zoom.
- Promotion? A poster on our Facebook page, WISPUBLIB, and sent to all of the system directors.
- Tammie suggested having a contest, such as Best Mask. Prize?
- Any other suggestions, email the group.

### **Positions and Duties**

- Jamie shared the 2020 positions and duties via Google Drive and email.
- Kent suggested to Sherry and Plumer to postpone the election due to people elected to positions for 2020 didn't have a chance to do their jobs. This is up for discussion still at WLA.
- Elections would normally happen on August 1. Sherry mentioned that the WLA board would need to meet sometime before then.
- The group will wait until we hear back from Sherry and decide from there what we need to do.

### **Chair Notes - Amy**

- Amy doesn't have anything in particular.

### **Secretary's Notes - Jamie**

- Jamie doesn't have anything.

### **WLA Liaison Report - Gina**

- The fall program has been cancelled, but WLA is trying to do a virtual event this fall.
- The Leadership Development Institute is still happening, but in December.
- With conferences and events being cancelled and being the main money makers for the organization, it is having a hard time.
- There is a need to focus on maintaining and adding new members.
- Loss of a staff member and reduction of staff time at WLA.
- WLA couldn't receive money through PPP.
- WLA Conference chair worked to get Green Bay for the fall conference in 2021 without a postponement penalty.

### **LD & L Report - Sherry**

- Library Sustainability Act is being floated at the federal level. Unsure if this will have any traction.
- It will be a tough election at the state level as Republicans are attempting to gain a super majority.

- No one is looking at the state budget until after the election. WLA lobbyists will be fighting for any funding depending on what may happen to the state budget.
- Amy suggested that budgets, funding, and grants could be a good topic for our online meetups.

### **Newsletter - Jackie**

- Jackie will reach out to the membership about helping with the newsletter. If she gets no response, Jackie will continue to do it.

### **Social Media Update - Angie**

- We set up a schedule for people posting once a week, but the pandemic has made a mess of this. There isn't much time for people to do their jobs and this task.
- Mondays: Children's, Tuesdays: Resources, Wednesdays: Memes, Thursdays: Cataloging, Fridays: Books as Movies
- Sara mentioned that there needs to be some lighter posts, such as cute animals.
- It was suggested to keep the same people for each day, but not the same subject matters.
- Angie and Gina will switch days. Angie will take Thursdays and Gina will take Mondays.
- Everyone posting on the Facebook page discussed what they wanted to post instead.
- Sara will do cute animals on Fridays; Sherry will provide some book to film news on Fridays as well. Amy will continue memes on Wednesday.

### **Positions & Elections 2021**

- This was already discussed.

### **WLA - Scholarships**

- We don't know about this topic. Amy proposed that we wait until more information is provided on the fall event.
- Amy suggested that maybe we don't provide a scholarship to help WLA with its funding situation.
- Motion: Gina; Second: Angie; to table the scholarship discussion until next meeting; motion passed.

### **COVID-19 Impact on WISL**

- The group discussed what WISL is doing during these unprecedented times. It is hard to know what to do.

### **Plan Moving Forward**

- The group felt we are doing what we can considering the situations.
- Amy suggested that a topic for meetups is mental health.
- The group discussed about the struggle to separate life and work.

### **Anything else for the good of the order**

- The group will hold off when the next meeting will be until Sherry reports back about the elections and other WLA things.

**Adjourn**

Adjournment at 3:41

Move: Kent Second: Sara