

Wisconsin Small Libraries Section - WISL
Regular Board Meeting
May 4, 2021
Online via Zoom

Call to Order

Chair Amy Stormberg called the meeting to order at 1:30

Roll Call

Jamie Hein, Amy Stormberg, Tammie Blomberg, Gina Rae, Sara Klemann, Kayla Mathson, Laurie Renel-Faledas, Kelly Bird, Kati Warner, Maxx Handel, Jennifer Thewis, Kaushalya Iyengar, Alli Chase, Kristine Lendved, Janelle Miller, Kelly Bird, Audrey Huff, Sherry Machones, Melissa Anderson, Shauna Kosazegi, Jennifer Thiele, LeeAnn Briese, Kerri Ashlin, Janine Ostedt

Approval of the Agenda

Moved: Sara K Second: Tammie; Motion Passed

Approval of the Minutes from January 2021

Moved: Sara K Second: Tammie; Motion Passed

Welcome to all Guests -- Introductions

- Amy welcomed the guests attending the meeting.

WISL PubLib Events

- The last one was on self-care in January
- Another one coming up on Thursday on Summer Programming with Sara and Gina.
- Sara surveyed the guests at our meeting about summer programming.

WISL Meetups (Future)

- With things opening up, a discussion was centered on whether we will be doing meetups in the near future.
- It was agreed that the group will be taking a second look at our WLA conference meeting.

2021 Conferences

- WLA Conference will be happening Nov.16-19 in Green Bay. The original keynote speakers will be present and the theme will be the same. The schedule is still in flux. The awards ceremony will be a dessert reception. There will be luncheons. Call for programs will start on June 1. Still looking for conference committee members; contact Sherry if anyone wants to be involved with the conference.
- More information will come out in August. COVID procedures will be masks required. The hotel will ensure distancing in breakout rooms and at luncheons. At this point, everything will be in-person so no online option. The hotel is unwilling to budge on things

such as if things get bad again this fall, the association will be held responsible for the contract and costs.

- SSCS Conference will happen on May 27. There is still a need for programs or presentations.
- Gina mentioned that there is a headshot option at this conference.

2021 Calendar/Meetings

- Leadership Development Institute may happen in December, probably not in August. More information to come in June or July.
- Elections occur in October, which wasn't on the calendar.

Chair Notes - Amy

- None to report.

Secretary's Notes - Jamie

- None to report.

WLA Liaison Report - Gina

- WLA is searching for a new Executive Director. Gina would like feedback from small libraries.

LD & L Report - Sherry

- The state budget is a constant state of flux and we are hoping that our ask is still part of the budget. There has been some back and forth between the governor and the legislature. LD&L is working with the joint finance committee members to ensure the increases for library system aids and other increases will be a part of the budget. Sherry feels we are in a positive spot. There is work being done for advocating for more WPLC funding and adding e-circs to county budget requests.

Newsletter - Aubrey

- A newsletter will be coming this month, so Aubrey is looking for content. She is also looking for anyone to share pet pictures.

Positions and Duties - Reviewed

- The board reviewed the duties of the current board members.
- Amy described the duties and positions for the guests.

Conference Scholarship - WLA

- Information about the scholarships will need to be put in the newsletter before Memorial Day. The next WLA newsletter is in July and information will need to be printed in there as well.

Social Media Update - Ongoing

- Amy plugged the WISL Facebook page to the guests.

COVID-19 Impact on WISL - Ongoing

- The board was in agreement that we will not meet in person until the fall conference.

Plan Moving Forward - Ongoing

- The next WISL board meeting will be July, 15 at 3 pm.

Anything else for the good of the order

- Sherry plugged the Librarians at the Movies on Friday.

Adjourn

Adjournment at 2:23

Move: Sara K Second: Gina