



Arkansas Library Association
Executive Board Meeting
Friday, August 13, 2021, 9:00 AM
Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Executive Board in attendance (voting members denoted by *): Kathleen Ashmore, *Carol Coffey, *Crystal Gates, *Nithin Lakshmana, *Ron Russ, President *Philip Shackelford, *Rachel Shankles, *Lynn Valetutti, *Jennifer Wann, Secretary *Janice Weddle, Amber Wilson

- I. **Call to Order** – President Philip Shackelford called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.
- II. **Roll Call & Minutes** – Attendance was recorded via presence on Zoom. Minutes of the 06/11/2021 meeting were distributed prior to the meeting. Rachel Shankles made a motion to approve the minutes as written; Crystal Gates seconded. Minutes approved.
- III. **Consent Agenda** – Consent agenda of information-only reports distributed prior to the meeting. Jennifer Wann made a motion to receive the reports on the consent agenda; seconded by Rachel Shankles. Motion carried.
- IV. **Financial Report** – Lynn Valetutti delivered the financial report. ArLA has \$60,334.06 in Edward Jones and \$84,433.19 in the checking account, \$20,000 of which is scholarship money and \$12,165 of which is LEAF funding. The operating cash balance is \$52,268.19.
- V. **ALA Councilor Report** – Lacy Wolfe was unable to attend the meeting. Written report filed and distributed prior to the meeting: “Two Forward Together Resolutions were passed: CD#46.1 Item #1 Core Values and CD #46.1 Item #2 Round Tables. The other FT Resolutions were referred to a task force. The chairs of the FT committee did not feel there was enough time to fully flesh out the resolutions. Look for the new resolutions at LibLearn X (January 21-24, 2022, San Antonio, TX). Other resolutions passed: CD #19.7 Resolution in Support of Open Educational Resources, CD #53 Resolution to Achieve Carbon Neutrality for ALA Conferences, CD #24.2 Adoption of ALA Code of Ethics Ninth Principle.”
- VI. **Conference Committee Report** – Rachel Shankles gave a preview and demonstrated some of the features of the 2021 Annual Conference in the Whova desktop app. The committee will host rehearsal sessions on October 4 for presenters and attendees to test the site prior to the conference. There are an estimated 150 registered attendees for the conference currently. The conference program will be completed and distributed soon.
- VII. **Business Items**
 - a. **Annual Conference 2022 Dates** – Rachel Shankles made a motion to consider October 14-16 for the Annual Conference dates for 2022; seconded by Ron Russ. The dates proposed by the conference center in Fort Smith were October 14-16 or October 21-23, 2022. The Conference Committee preferred October 14-16 and recommends those dates for Board consideration. Motion carried.

b. Strategic Plan 2021-24 – Crystal Gates made a motion to adopt the Strategic Plan 2021-24 as submitted by the Strategic Planning Committee. Jennifer Wann seconded. A friendly amendment was used to correctly refer to the Emerging Leader Committee within the plan. Motion carried. President Shackelford thanked Dan Boice and the Strategic Planning Committee for their work.

VIII. Announcements –Jennifer Wann announced that applications for the ALL-In 2022 cohort are open and will be due October 1. An informational webinar will be held August 25 for prospective applicants. The webinar will be recorded and posted for anyone unable to attend the live session.

President Shackelford announced that the upcoming Lunch, Learning & Libraries webinar from Bob Holzmann about “Academic Library Assessment Plans” scheduled on August 18 will be rescheduled to a later date.

Members are encouraged to check their membership status and renew their membership if it is expiring or has lapsed. Ron Russ reminded attendees that ArLA members may check their membership status by logging into the ArLA website to look at their account and the membership directory.

The next meeting will be held September 10, 2021 via Zoom at 9:00 AM.

IX. Public Comments – No public comments were made.

X. Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 9:26 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice Weddle