Arkansas Library Association  
Executive Board Meeting  
Friday, August 8, 2014  
Laman Library, North Little Rock, AR

Those present: Devona Pendergrass, President; Jud Copeland, VP; Trish Miller, past President; Hadi Dudley, ALA Councilor; Jamie Melson, Sec/Treas; Diane Hughes, Scholarship Comm. co-chair; Heather Hays, Journal Associate Editor; Amber Gregory, Legislative Comm. chair; Carolyn Baker, Resources & Tech. Services Div. chair; Erin Baber, ALPS Div. chair; Angela Black, Marketing ad hoc Comm. chair; Daniel Fitzroy, Website Comm. chair; Carol Coffey, IT R.T. chair; Cathy Toney, Awards Comm. chair; Wendy Rickman, ArASL Div. chair; Kay Bland, Conf. Comm. co-chair; Cassandra Barnett, Public Relations Comm. chair; Freddy Hudson, IF Comm. chair; and Lynda Hampel, Exec. Administrator. Visitors: Mike Sawyer, Kim Hillison, and Shawn Manis.

President Pendergrass opened the meeting at 10 a.m.

Unfinished Business:
Cathy Toney moved with a second from Diane Hughes to approve the rewritten policy manual. Motion passed.

Vendor booths costs the Association $40 each. We are charging vendors $420 for library related and $150 for authors and non-library related. This discussion was officially tabled until the 2015 conference discussion and the preceding ARSL conference.

New Business:
The updated ArLA constitution and bylaws were presented to the Board having been distributed by email for review previous to today’s meeting. Diane Hughes moved to accept and present the amended constitution and bylaws to the general membership at the annual meeting in October. Motion received a second from Wendy Rickman. Motion passed.

Devona announced some changes made to the Board due to a couple of resignations. Daniel Fitzroy was asked to move into the Website Comm. chair and he accepted. Britt Anne Murphy was asked to move into the Journal’s Managing Editor position and she accepted. As a result of this move, Heather Hays was asked to become the Journal’s Associate Editor and she accepted. Amber Gregory was then invited to join the Board as the new Legislative Comm. chair.

Devona appointed Amber Gregory as the newly appointed Legislative Comm. chair to take on the added duty as the Engage (ALA level) administrator.

The discussion to upgrade the Journal to color was tabled until the October meeting when the editors could provide hard copies to the Board to vote on.

The discussion on putting the Journal behind the website wall which would require a membership password to access resulted in an open poll being taken. The question was asked who wanted to leave the Journal as open access. Vote was to leave it open.

Devona announced that the full conference program would be electronic only with a shorter condensed version to be handed out. Majority poll showed most everyone was for it. This move will not only save the Association money but is a move to the green side by utilizing 21st century technology.

Jud Copeland moved with a second from Cathy Toney to allow Hadi Dudley to use the special cost saving fee for ALA bundle registration. Motion passed.

Motion was made to adjourn at 11:58 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jamie Melson, Secretary/Treasurer