

WYLD Governing Board Conference Call

Minutes -- Thursday, April 15, 2021

1. The Zoom meeting was called to order by President Kate Mutch at 10:02 a.m.
2. Roll call was made by Jill Mackey.
 - Kate Mutch, President -- present
 - Linda Herget, Vice-president – present
 - Diane Adler, Academic Library Representative -- present
 - Ceilie Fisher, K-12 Library Representative – not present
 - Terri Lesley, Large Public Library Representative -- present
 - Sukey Hohl, Small Public Library Representative – not present
 - Sarah Marino, Special Library Representative – not present
 - Brenda Mahoney-Ayres, Member-at-Large -- present
 - Jamie Markus, State Librarian – present
 - Desiree Saunders, WYLD Program Manager -- present
 - Jill Mackey, Recorder – present
 - Also present as a visitor was Rachel Crocker, Albany County Library director.
3. Approval of Agenda: Kate asked to add an action item – “Upcoming Elections”. Terri made a motion to approve the agenda with the requested change, Diane seconded, motion passed.
4. Approval of March meeting minutes: Terri made a motion to approve the minutes, Diane seconded, motion passed.
5. Jamie Markus, WSL – Reported
 - The State Library’s ARPA Taskforce has been formed to make decisions on how to spend the forthcoming stimulus monies. They have met twice by Zoom and will be meeting every two weeks. Last week they approved a variety of projects, including fully funding WYLD fees, OCLC fees and Overdrive fees for all libraries for the next year. They are still considering other projects and hope to have the full plan in place by the next Governing board meeting. Their plan is pending and not “official” – paperwork has gone to the Governor’s office for signing and there is a small possibility it will be required to go through the legislative process at the legislature’s special session this summer before official approval takes place.
 - The regular legislative session ended last week, with no major interruptions for libraries. There will be a special session in mid-July to consider the stimulus monies. They will be keeping an eye on happenings during that special session.
 - Jamie had a conversation with Cynthia Lummis regarding the Build Libraries America Act, informing her what it would fund if passed. This act would provide federal funds for library infrastructure needs.
 - Further staff changes are occurring at the State Library with Marc Stratton leaving July 16. They have authorization to “double-fill” his position, meaning they can fill it right away and the replacement can work with Marc before he leaves.
 - Jamie reported on using patron records/data for marketing purposes. He apologized for not having language to present to the board, but will have it available at the next meeting. He said that based on the discussion at the last meeting and some conversations since, the consensus seems to be that the majority don’t like the idea of patron information being pulled out of the ILS and

used in another system without patron permission. However, messages can be added to automatic notices already being sent out.

6. Desiree Saunders, WYLD Office – Reported

- The big issue for the WYLD office right now is Marc's retirement. However, they have been working towards his retirement for a long time in an effort to ensure continuity. There might be delays in problem resolutions if they need to go to SirsiDynix for custom consulting, depending on the experience & training level of his replacement. However, they don't anticipate anything major since we have a stable system and are not doing anything "wild & crazy" in the next few months.
- They are trying to sign off on a minor upgrade to Enterprise so the community college CoudSource Open Access project can move forward. There is custom work involved and it is not working on the new version of Enterprise – until it is working they can't sign off on the upgrade.
- They will be moving to a hosted solution for Ezproxy, thanks to Jamie finding the funding. This is another move to reduce the amount of database management done locally and will help reduce the number of local servers. More information will be sent out soon. Anyone making direct links on their webpages to the GoWyld databases will need to update their links.
- The Overdrive project is progressing with Laramie County coming live anytime soon. It is taking 4-6 weeks (or so) for publishers to be contacted about making the move from CloudLibrary to Overdrive. A lot of the CloudLibrary collection is "old" in the publishing world – some content won't go over at all, some originally purchased with a perpetual license won't go over with that perpetual license. For the most part, the newer items will move over with no problems.
- WYLD staff are trying to get an idea of what expectations are for training at the WYLD annual meeting. They are looking at live vs recorded session or a mixture of the two.

Jamie mentioned that he had ordered the magazine subscription for OverDrive yesterday. Campbell County comes on July 1. UW also comes on July 1, which means all community colleges' access is turned on July 1.

Kate asked for discussion on training at the WYLD meeting. Her feedback indicates a desire for 1-2 live sessions where questions can be asked, with immediate feedback. She asked that all training ideas be emailed to her in the next week.

7. Old Business

- a. ILS Review Discussion – Kate said we are still waiting for the results of UW's internal ILS review, so this will be tabled until the next meeting. Jamie said that report should be coming in early May, so Kate should have it before the next meeting.
- b. Use of emails/physical addresses for newsletters/library information – per Jamie's report this is also tabled until the next meeting.

8. New business:

- a. Upcoming Elections – Kate said that with the WYLD meeting held online we are not doing elections per bylaws.

Linda made a motion to “conduct 2021’s WYLD board elections electronically, with nominations from the floor solicited via email the week before the nominees for the vacancies are announced, and close electronic voting 5:00 p.m. on June 3, 2021.” Terri seconded the motion, motion passed.

Kate recommended a review of the bylaws, to include a permanent method to conduct elections when we meet online.

9. Governing board members – reports/issues

a. President—

- Ad hoc nominating committee -- Kate reported that Linda Herget and Terri Lesley have been appointed and given their marching orders. They have 3 positions to find applicants for.
- The Training committee has been meeting regularly.
- The Online Quality committee still needs a chair – all positions are filled, but no one wants to take on the role of chair.
- She discussed recognition of Marc Stratton’s retirement at the Annual meeting.

b. Vice President— Linda reported that the ILS committee met this month. The bulk of their discussion was the Cloud Source Open Access information from Desiree. They are gathering information for their annual report.

c. Academic – Diane reported that they are doing their Edible Book Contest at Gillette College.

d. K-12 – Ceilie was not present & sent no report.

e. Large Public – Terri had nothing to report.

f. Small Public – Sukey was not present & sent no report.

g. Special – Sarah was not present & sent no report.

h. At Large – Brenda had nothing to report.

10. Date of next meeting: May 20, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

11. The meeting was adjourned at 10:34 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jill Mackey, Recorder