

WYLD Governing Board Minutes
Thursday, October 20, 2022

Linda called the meeting to order at 11:01 a.m.

Members present:

Linda Herget, Rachel Crocker Jon Harwood, Lorene Peterson, Cristine Braddy, Sarah Marino, Karen Horner, Jamie Markus, and Des Saunders.

Also present : Kate Mutch

Members absent: Maggie Unterseher

Linda welcomed Lorene Peterson to the board. Cara Nett has left LCLS and resigned from the board. Rachel Crocker has agreed to take her place as VP and Lorene is the new Large Library Representative.

Agenda approved as is, with the correction of the month of the minutes changed from May to August.

Jamie moved and Rachel seconded to approve the August meeting minutes. The motion passed.

Jamie had several major things to report.

There is a new product that the State Library would like to add to Aspen to integrate professional reviews. The original plan was to use the open source resources available (GoodReads, etc) until spring, however it's become apparent that professional reviews are a feature that needs to be included in the catalog at this time. Baker & Taylor's 'Content Café' adds professional reviews and cover art to the catalog, at a lesser cost than Syndetics. He requested the board consider 1 of 2 options. The board can leave it to the state to go through the contract process and look at a 6-8 week implementation timeline or the board can charge Linda with ordering it and have almost immediate implementation.

WSL is rewriting the WYLD contract and it will be out by the end of the year. It was last updated in 2015 and it is time for an update. The proposed contract is being reviewed by the attorney and so some language may change, but the current draft language is that WYLD members will:

D. Train staff on statutes, rules, policies, and procedures related to patron privacy and confidentiality.

E. Deny volunteers, vendors, or others not employed by the library access to portions of the Integrated Library System that contain patron data unless granted written permission from the Wyoming State Library.

F. Take financial and notification responsibility for any security breach or misuse of patron data from the Integrated Library System. This only applies to Members who add Personally Identifiable Information [as defined by Wyoming Statute] to patron records beyond name, address, phone number, and email address.

G. Take financial and notification responsibility for any security breach or misuse of Integrated Library System patron data by vendors engaged by the Member for services.

There will be some legislative challenges coming up this year as lawmakers work to change the definition of obscenity and work to eliminate certain exemptions that currently exist for educators and librarians. Linda and Rachel will likely be called to testify. There is a rapid response email list that has been created to help get information out to directors, WLA board members, the WYLD board and others designated by their library directors. Jamie encouraged everyone to start thinking about how they would respond to questions. The Legislative reception will be moved from the State Library this next year – location to be determined.

Des reported that their office has been working on Aspen Discovery and making great progress. Almost all of the libraries have access to their own Aspen site for training and review. WYLD staff has been working on bugs and implementation and is referring people to the ByWater training materials. They have identified some interesting cataloging processes during the transition. They are also working on a WYLD Cat branded Lida app that will be available in November. In the meantime the Lida app will work for people.

She has recommended that the Online Quality Committee update cataloging standards to add some guidelines for Library of Things as more libraries implement this type of service.

After things settle down a little they will have some scheduled Zoom sessions where people will be able to drop in and ask questions.

Some places are ready to shift to Aspen completely and she said if a library is ready to go ahead and shift links to do so. She did ask for patience and for people to keep testing the system.

Old Business

Aspen – After a brief discussion about Content Café, Lorene moved and Jon seconded that the board direct Linda to move forward with the addition of Content Café for implementation as soon as possible. The motion passed unanimously.

PII Committee: The proposed changes to the WSL-WYLD contract will help guide this committee as it moves forward. It still needs some volunteers for the committee. Karen Horner thought she might have a staff member who would be interested. The goal is to have something by February 2023. Linda stressed that two or three more people are needed and asked everyone to reach out for some volunteers.

New Business

Standing Committees: Two of the three standing committees have struggled to find members and direction. It makes more sense to have them be ad hoc if/when there is a need for action. The Online Quality Committee remains with a strong mission and purpose. Changing the dynamics requires bylaws change and would not take place until the next annual meeting. Jamie moved that the ILS Products and the Training Committee members be released until at least the next annual WYLD meeting. Karen seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Governing board members – reports/issues

- President—Linda: nothing further to report.
- Vice President— Rachel: nothing to report.

- Academic—Jon: the academic directors have been discussing the obscenity laws. They have also been getting positive comments about the upcoming transition to Aspen. There is an upcoming renovation to Hay Library.
- K-12/Special— Sarah is covering for Maggie and reached out but didn't get any response/feedback from K-12 libraries.
- Large Public: Lorene reported that staff is really loving Aspen.
- Small Public: Cristine reported that they are really excited about Aspen.
- At large: Sarah reiterated to let her know if there is anything she can do to help on any of the issues.
- At Large: Karen reported that the staff are loving Aspen and they are all just staying busy.

The next meeting will be November 17, 2022, at 11:00 a.m. via Zoom. Des and/or Jamie will set it up and send out the information.

Lorene moved and Karen seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kate Mutch, Recorder