

WYLD Governing Board Minutes
April 20, 2023

Linda called the meeting to order at 11:02 a.m.

Members present: Linda Herget, Rachel Crocker, Jon Harwood, Lorene Heinzen, Cristine Braddy, Sarah Marino, Karen Horner, Jamie Markus, and Desiree Saunders.

Also present : Kate Mutch

Members absent: Maggie Unterseher

Jamie moved/Karen seconded to approve the agenda with the correction of Lorene's new name. Motion carried.

Lorene moved and Cristine seconded to approve the February meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Jamie Markus presented his report. WSL is working with WYDOT regarding construction funds and are anticipating \$12.6 million available for library projects.

WSL will be granting the WYLD network funds for Overdrive that will primarily be used to help manage items with high hold ratios or items with holds and metered access. The subscription for the comics was not renewed.

Jamie updated the board that he had made a mistake in his report last month when he talked about the SIRSI contract negotiations beginning soon. The contract is not expiring until November 2024.

The State Library is experiencing some staff changes. Chris Van Burgh will be retiring after 42 years of service on June 2.

Missy Harris is the new Lincoln County director and Jan Jolliffe is the new Converse County director. Sheridan county has a director's position open. There has been a 40% turnover since the last WYLD annual meeting. There are currently twelve directors that need WSL orientation and they will be holding monthly orientations.

Desiree Saunders presented her report. WYLD annual preparations are underway. Emails have been going out to remind people to save the date. There will be no charge for the event.

She reported that next week the WYLD office will be attending the COSUGI virtual conference. In addition Linda Herget, Rachel Crocker, Kate Mutch, and Conrado Saldivar will be attending. Next year's will be in person March 6-8 in Provo, Utah.

They are still working on the contract for Message Bee with Unique and are still hoping for a May contract date.

There have been lots of meetings with OCLC regarding the end of life on VDX and in-depth conversations about integration.

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We now have a test server for Aspen. We are now out of the implementation phase so requests for development/changes are a little slower, but access to a test server will be helpful.

Old Business

WYLD annual meeting – Linda has been approached about having a virtual option in addition to in person. We do not have the technological infrastructure to support this. The WYLD staff will be recording their sessions after the meeting. Des mentioned that they are always happy to do one-on-one sessions.

Overdrive Reconsideration Policy – Rachel addressed the document that the board received a couple of weeks ago. One change was made to the reconsideration policy and that is adding the phrase “unless just cause exists” items will not be reconsideration for 24 months. In addition to the form there is a procedures documents on how the Consortia will handle requests. This is not an action item for the WYLD board because the WYLD network does not govern this service. Kate suggested that Lisa Scroggins as the director of the administrating library send out an email to the directors with the request for reconsideration procedures and forms. The group spent some time discussing the process and form and were satisfied with the documents.

WYLD fees – With costs being less with the transition to Aspen, the board wanted to look at the member recovery fee. Karen moved and Jon seconded that we reduce the total memory recovery fee by \$23, 030. The board discussed the current and future needs. The question was called and the motion did not pass. Member recovery fees will remain the same.

New Business

Ad Hoc nominating committee – Rachel has is working on finding nominees for the vacancies.

Governing Board Member Reports

- Linda – nothing more to report
- Rachel – During the last director’s call there was talk about creating a stronger support network and creating groups such as ILL, Assistant Directors/Branch managers, etc. This will be on a future board agenda.
- Jon reported that the semester is winding down and they are busy with last minute researchers.
- Maggie – no report
- Lorene had nothing to report.
- Cristine had nothing to report but let the group know that her library currently has an incubator full of eggs.
- Sarah reported that they were able to save all the materials from the flood, but are still working on space.
- Karen had nothing to report. She did tell the group they are going through staff changes.

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Next month's meeting will be May 18th at 11:00 AM through the Zoom link.

Jamie moved and Sarah -seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 11:58 AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Kate Mutch, Recorder