

WYLD Governing Board Minutes
October 19, 2023

Rachel called the meeting to order at 11:07 a.m.

Members present: Rachel Crocker, Kip Roberson, Jon Harwood, Cristine Braddy, Karen Horner Sarah Kuhbacher, Jamie Markus, and Des Saunders.

Also present : Kate Mutch

Members absent: Lorene Heinzen, and Maggie Unterseher

Kip motioned/ Sara seconded to approve the August minutes.

Jamie presented his report:

- New directors starting the beginning of November:
 - Laramie County
 - Campbell County
- State library budget is looking good, will meet with the joint appropriations beginning of December. In the budget asking for:
 - New position – Grant/ Communications
 - Allow a split in state and federal funding for a youth services position.
- Upcoming issues:
 - Candid – Rachel will need to cancel this contract as WYLD funds cannot be used to pay for this. Was paid for with grant funds. Rachel Svoboda hoping to secure grant funds to continue funding this database
 - Possible challenges in Overdrive

Des Saunders presented her report:

- An update on Message Bee was sent to the directors early in October and to WYLD news this morning. She will be sending out future updates to the circulation. They have been waiting on a contract with Marc Stratton. He will be working on this project 4-6 hours a week.
- Still looking for a systems administrator. Will likely repost after rewriting the job description.
- Her team has been handling things as they come up and doing a great job.

Old Business – No old business

New Business

Rachel discussed the idea of having cohorts similar to the Director's monthly meeting for other positions. These could be ILL, cataloging, etc. Des indicated that the open office hours Shantry did weren't very well attended, but thought if there was a specific topic or agenda there might be an interest. Des suggested emailing the different lists to gauge the interest. Rachel also asked if anyone on the board was willing to help coordinate this and to let her know if they are.

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Governing Board Member Reports

- President:
 - Rachel mentioned that the directors are looking at ways to support new directors in addition to the WSL orientation. Veteran directors will reach out and connect with new directors.
 - She also thanked Jamie for all his help with the WYLD network and wished him well in his new job.
 - She will be sending out an email to directors to get a list of people who are willing to be on a reconsideration committee in preparation for any challenges.
- Kip had nothing to report.
- Jon had nothing to report
- Christine had nothing to report.
- Sarah had nothing to report.
- Karen had nothing to report.

Rachel noted the next meeting will be on November 16th 11:00.

Rachel adjourned the meeting at 11:42 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kate Mutch, Recorder