

WYLD Governing Board Minutes
April 18, 2024

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

Members present: Rachel Crocker, Jon Harwood, Cristine Braddy, , Maggie Unterseher, Kip Roberson, Lorene Heinzen, Sarah Kuhbacher Abby Beaver, and Des Saunders.

Also present : Kate Mutch

Members absent: Karen Horner

Sara motioned and Lorene seconded to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Lorene motioned and Sara seconded approval of the January minutes. Motion carried. There were no March minutes because we did not have a quorum.

Abby reported that they received the approval for the Federal IMLS appropriation for FY24.

Des Saunders reported that the COSUGI conference was successful. WYLD staff benefited by attending in person. Wyoming was well-represented with several member libraries sending staff. WYLD staff also attended the AspenCon in Colorado.

They have been interviewing for the Resource Sharing position and hope to get it filled soon.

They are almost done with the Message Bee rollout. They are working with Unique on templates for some of the libraries who wanted more granularity with their branches. There will be a Message Bee training on April 30 and it will be recorded. In addition there will be training at the WYLD annual meeting.

Des has been meeting with the consulting services at SIRSI regarding ILL and exploring using Workflows for demand management.

Old Business

Conversation among members: Rachel said that she has seen an increase in traffic on the Circ email list.

New Business

Rachel created an ad hoc committee to review the WYLD Card Policy and the Registration Policy. Cristine will lead the committee. There is a short deadline in order to present it to the membership at the June meeting. Kate and Lorene offered to help. Rachel will reach out to the director list and see if there is anyone else who is interested. The group will work to get recommendations to the governing board by May 7, 2024.

Rachel created the ad hoc nominating committee. Kip will lead the committee, Maggie and Sara will help him.

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Governing Board Member Reports

President: Rachel reported she and an Albany County Library staff member attended COSUGI and found it valuable. She is creating a more regimented training program for her staff and will be using information she learned at the conference.

Vice President: Kip had nothing to report

Academic: Jon reported they are rolling out Message Bee and the students really like getting the text messages.

K-12/Special: Maggie reported that the school library summit is being organized. It will be held July 29-31 in Lander. CWC will be providing meeting space. The registration should open soon. She asked when the registration for WYLD annual was going to open since the school librarians need to make arrangements before the school year ends. Des reported registration will be on the website soon, and noted that there will not be a fee to attend. The hotel block is at the Best Western.

Maggie also reported that she has been part of a group working with Superintendent Degenfelder to get school libraries under the WDE. They are working towards continuing education for paraprofessional staff.

Large Public: Lorene had nothing to report.

Small Public: Cristine had nothing to report.

At Large: Sara noted they still have two open positions.

At Large: Karen: no report.

The next meeting will be on May 16th at 11:00.

With no further business, Rachel adjourned the meeting at 11:38 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kate Mutch, Recorder