

**MPLA Executive Board Meeting Minutes**

4:00 PM Central Time 23 October 2018

Wichita Advanced Learning Library

<b>PRESENT</b>			
<b>Name</b>	<b>MPLA Position</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>MPLA Position</b>
Annie Epperson	President	Tom Taylor	Leadership Institute Committee
Leslie Langley	Vice President/President Elect	Stephen Sweeney	CO State Rep; VP/Pres Elect
Mickey Coalwell	Past President /Admin Chair	Shanna Smith	KS State Rep
Brenda Hemmelman	Recording Secretary	Paulette Nelson	ND State Rep
Judy Zelenski	Executive Secretary	Bradley Carrington	NM State Rep
Aubrey Madler	Leadership Institute Coordinator	Rachel Rawn	MT State Rep
Melanie Argo	Newsletter Editor	Nita Gill	SD State Rep
Francis Brummett	Bylaws Committee Chair	Theresa Jehlik	Awards Committee
Evonne Edgington	NE State Rep	Cindy Moore	WY State Rep
Roy Degler	Webmaster	Jake Rundle	Membership Committee
Luisse Davis	NV State Rep	April Miller	OK Rep & Communications Committee
Cyndi Landis	Communications	Elena Rosenfeld	CO Guest/possible new state rep
Mary Ann Thompson	Birthday Bash Coordinator		

**Action Items Resulting from this Meeting**

- Annie or Judy will send out audit report for board to accept
- Leslie will add LI discussion/decision to December board meeting agenda
- Judy/Aubrey will share LI stats information for December meeting

**AGENDA**

**Welcome and Call to Order Annie – 4:08**

- Roll Call
- Announcements
- Agenda changes – moved discussion topic of membership engagement above state reps item

**Action Items**

- Approve minutes of 3 August 2018 Zoom meeting – Roy moved; Paulette second as amended – Approved.
- Audit by Watson Coon Ryan, LLC; discuss, accept (Annie, Judy) – final report from auditor was received 10.22.18. The report will be sent out for board to accept. The auditors had requested a couple of things from Judy. If there are recommendations, the admin committee has to discuss before it comes before the board.
- Leadership Institute summary, discuss and decide future (Aubrey) –board will officially decide at December meeting on whether to hold LI in spring 2020. Aubrey and Judy will share costs and statistics of previous LI's at December meeting. Aubrey's contract is up in December. Other discussion included benefits of LI and how well known it has become, but budget is always a concern.

**Discussion Items**

Officers, Staff, and Contractors

Individuals with \* have discussion items. All other reports will be accepted electronically without discussion.

\*President – Annie Epperson

\*Vice President – Leslie Langley – recognizing everyone on the board who worked on conference Brad, Shanna

\*Past President – Mickey Coalwell – diversity grant to academic libraries – are we still supporting – YES – we will promote it more

Recording Secretary – Kris Johnson/Brenda Hemmelman

Executive Secretary – Judy Zelenski

Newsletter Editor – Melanie Argo

\*Leadership Institute Coordinator – Aubrey Madler – testimonials from alum while here at conference or written testimonials/videos sent to her – announced that ACRL forum is gathering info on how organizations promote/support diversity – looking for panelists

Webmaster & Systems Administrator – Roy Degler

### **Committees**

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Awards – Theresa Jehlik – all five winners will be here to receive awards

\*Bylaws and Procedures – Frances Brummett – sent small change to Bylaws which membership will vote on Friday – majority of those in attendance at membership meeting to approve

Communications – Cyndi Landis – kudos to Cyndi for our new FB page and all that she has done with communications this year!

Leadership Institute – Tom Taylor

Nominating Committee – Brian Greene

Membership – Jake Rundle & Dan Stanton

Professional Development – Ryan Buller

**Discussion topic:** How can Membership and Communications committees, along with the rest of Board, work together to strengthen member engagement and recruitment?

-active state reps are key;

CO memb is slightly down, served on CALCON, good opportunity to talk up membership, lawsuit/EBSCO taking up a lot of energy, could be a good recruitment tool

KS membership is up, could have something to do with conference, has been pushing MPLA,

MT – part of two regional associations, maybe a panel about LI, joint conference with PNLA, MLA, MPLA?

NE – NLA is changing the organization

NV – has undergone extensive bylaws revisions; did a conference in Vegas which went well

NM – putting together an exec committee, program committee for 2019 conference, let Stephen Sweeney know if interested in working on conference; having next conference state involved in planning is a good idea; emphasize grant funding opportunities; conference planning/timing

ND – conference planning/timing can be a problem – NDLA/MPLA are very close together; in ND, many LI fellows don't commit for long term service in NDLA and MPLA

OK – program session about MPLA for spring conference; 2023 conference with MPLA

SD – successful conference three weeks ago; MPLA is big at SDLA; supportive directors and personal encouragement

UT – Utah will restore EBSCO databases

WY –

Note from Judy: people become MPLA members often because they were personally asked

### State Representatives

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Arizona – Cherise Mead

Colorado – Stephen Sweeney

Kansas – Shanna Smith

Montana – Rachel Rawn

Nebraska – Evonne Edgington

Nevada – Luise Davis

New Mexico – Bradley Carrington

North Dakota – Paulette Nelson

Oklahoma – Tim Miller

South Dakota – Nita Gill

Utah – Joe Frazier

Wyoming – Cindy Moore

**Mary Ann Thompson** – MPLA Birthday bash – 8 to 10 on Wednesday; very few extra tickets available for party – jazz band, dessert bar, beverages, special birthday ducks, videos, tours of the Advanced Learning Library; remarks at 8:45

**Final Announcements:** Thursday awards reception is at 5:45

**Adjournment: 5:55 pm**

Respectfully submitted,  
Brenda Hemmelman  
Recording Secretary