



Arkansas Library Association

Arkansas Library Association  
Executive Board Meeting  
Friday, September 27, 2019, 4:00 PM  
Hot Springs Embassy Suites, Hot Springs, AR

- I. **Call to Order** – President Jil’Lana Heard called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.
- II. **Roll Call & Minutes** – The attendance sign in sheet was circulated for this meeting. Philip Shackelford motioned to accept minutes from the last meeting, July 26, 2019, and Carol Coffey seconded it.
- III. **Budget** – Lynn Valetutti announced that there is \$117,705.41 in the checking account, \$7,000 of which is to be paid toward the conference.
- IV. **ALA Councilor’s Report** – Lacy Wolfe is registered for ALA Mid-Winter in Philadelphia. She is arranging a dinner for attendees to solicit feedback about proposed ALA organizational changes, which were outlined in more detail later in the meeting and are available in the Dropbox.
- V. **Committee Reports**

Awards – Philip Shackelford announced they are ready for Sunday. Britt Anne Murphy inquired about a photographer for the Awards Ceremony, and Richard Theilig said there would be several, including him

Bylaws – No report.

Conference – Crystal Gates announced that 270 people, including 30 from SELA, are registered for the conference. The committee is anticipating a profit.

Emerging Leader – Lacy Wolfe said they have three applicants and will meet for approval tomorrow.

Intellectual Freedom – Shenise McGhee announced Banned Book Week is September 22 - 28.

Legislative – No report.

Marketing – Susie Kirk announced she publicized the conference to listservs and on social media every day last week.

Membership – No report.

Scholarship/LEAF – Carol Coffey announced there were 11 applicants this year, and they’ll announce on Sunday.

Strategic Plan – No report.

Web Services – No report.

ALPS – Dalene Schrier announced they are meeting November 1, 2019, at UCA.

CULD – No report.

Public Libraries – No report.

RISD – No report.

RTSD – No report.

Two-Year Colleges – No report.

Youth Services – Marilyn Willis announced they arranged props for a photo booth near ArLA SELA Conference registration table.

## **VI. Business Items**

- a. Cancelled Sessions - Crystal Gates announced tomorrow's 10:30 a.m. 3D Content in Libraries and The Magic of Multisensory Approaches to Language! sessions have been cancelled. Sched is the best way to keep up with information about the ArLA SELA Conference. Thirty-one people attended the Preconference.
- b. ALA Booth & Wanda Brown interviews - Lacy Wolfe asked people to stop by the ALA booth and take swag. She is arranging interviews for people to share the impact ALA has made on them with Wanda Brown, but the times are not firm yet.
- c. SCOE - Slides from the ALA Steering Committee on Organizational Effectiveness are available in the Dropbox. SCOE recommends a top-down restructure and asserts to reorganize a modern association for modern times. The plan is to present the final version during ALA Mid-Winter and vote at the Annual Conference in Chicago. She [read a](#) letter from several round tables lamenting the proposal as going backward in ALA's democratic structure. The plan calls for a 17-member executive board with 12 elected positions and doing away with the council and several committees. The policy development committee would be appointed by the executive committee. Crystal Gates said most state chapters are also against the move because we would have no representation.
- d. 2020 Conference - After a site visit, by Judy Calhoun, John McGraw, and Philip Shackelford, Philip submitted a proposed contract for the next ArLA Conference at the Fort Smith Convention Center and Double Tree Hotel from October 16 - 18, 2020. Other dates are available. The cost for liability insurance was discussed. Philip said Larry Cooper, of the Double Tree, who is also over the Rogers Embassy Suites, agreed to lower the cost for the 2022 conference if both were booked. The cost would be \$8,000 for 2020 and \$6,000 for 2022. Room rates were set at \$109 with breakfast. There was a \$40 to \$1 comp rate, as compared to the \$50 to \$1 rate this year. There is a catering list since neither provide catering. AV costs would be minimal because screens and a few projectors are included, and other items may possibly be borrowed from local libraries and the State Library. The WiFi is free. The committee is looking into the possibility of combining this conference with Missouri or Oklahoma. Britt Anne Murphy moved and Lynn Valetutti seconded to accept the contracts pending amendments for holding the October 16 - 18, 2020, ArLA Conference at the Ft. Smith Convention Center and Doubletree Hotel. The motion passed.

- VII. Announcements** – The next meeting will be held December 6, 2019, at the Laman Library at 10:00 AM.
- VIII. Adjournment** – Philip Shackelford made a motion to end the meeting, and Autumn Mortenson seconded it.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Campbell



## September 27, 2019 Executive Board Meeting

Name/Library	SIGNATURE
Jill Lana/President	<i>Jill Lana</i>
Dean Covington /Past President	<i>Dean Covington</i>
Lynn Valetutti/Treasurer	<i>Lynn Valetutti</i>
Crystal Gates/ President Elect	<i>Crystal Gates</i>
Lacy Wolfe/ALA Councilor	<i>Lacy Wolfe</i>
Jessica Riedmueller / Secretary	<i>absent</i>
Daniel Fouts/ArASL	<i>absent</i>
Autumn Mortenson/College and Universities	<i>A. Mortenson</i>
Allie Stevens /Reference Service	<i>absent</i>
Brian George/Resource and Technology Services	<i>Brian George</i>
<del>Darlene</del> Schrier/ALPS <i>Darlene</i>	<i>Darlene Schrier</i>
John McGraw/ Public Libraries	<i>absent</i>
Brenda Breezeel/Digital Services	<i>Brenda Breezeel</i>
Ron Russ/Two Year Colleges	<i>Ron Russ</i>
Philip Shackelford/Awards	<i>absent</i>
Rebecka Virden/Emerging Leader	<i>absent</i>
Marilyn Willis/Youth Services	<i>Marilyn Willis</i>
Susie Kirk/Marketing and Public Relations	<i>Susie Kirk</i>
Crystal Gates/Conference	<i>Crystal Gates</i>

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Shenise McGhee/Intellectual Freedom	Shenise McGhee
Ron Russ/Web Services	Ron Russ
Becky Fischer/ByLaws	Becky Fischer
Courtney Fitzgerald/Legislative	absent
Carol Coffey/Scholarship	Carol Coffey
*Britt Anne Murphy/Managing Editor	18 <sup>th</sup> J 9/2
Brent Nelson/Copy Editor (Non-voting)	absent
Heather Hays/Associate Editor	absent