

Massachusetts School Library Association
November 13, 2024 4:30-6:00 pm
Zoom meeting
Executive Summary Board Meeting Minutes

Attendance:

Trent Bordok
Mike Caligiuri
Liz Cammilleri
Barb Fecteau
Michelle Fontaine
Deb Froggatt
Emily Kristofek
Emma Kwon
Sue Larson
Caludia Palframan
Tinamarie Sheckells
Colleen Simpson
Reba Tierney
Georgina Trebbe
Emily Willis
Jenna Wolf
Alix Woznick

1. Call to Order: Barb, 4:30pm.
2. Welcome and Introductions: Beverly Public Schools on strike
3. Approve minutes of October Board meeting: Motion to approve minute: Trent; Seconded: Tinamarie. Motion carried.
4. New/Continuing Business
 - Change banks: Emily: looking to move to TD Bank.
 - CT/MA/RI Librarian of the Month: Opening up to Membership.
 - MassCUE - Better Together Speaker: Barb has a point person, all set
 - Intellectual Freedom Helpline (Jen and Barb for now)
 - December meeting in Worcester and on Zoom at 4:00 pm & Stand With Libraries celebration 12/5 Invite and registration link.
 - Website - how to proceed: Luke to provide update, Ann not available.
 - Teen Summit
 - Bylaw review: next meeting

- DESE SISP Rubric Update Steering Committee - Jen

5. Updates

- Deb - Outreach report and Strategic Plan Update: Commissioner Bianco reported at the MLS Annual Meeting the MSLA Legislative initiative and referenced the Equitable Access to School Libraries Policy Brief; Deb encouraged the membership to attend the Stand With Libraries event; meeting with MBLC, discussion re: databases; working on AASL Chapter of the Year application.
- Daisy(not present, update from Barb) - Treasurer: As of October 31, 2024, MSLA's net worth is \$150,904.05. Of that amount, \$5,484.84 is earmarked for Paradis Fund Grants, and \$17,500 is earmarked for the EBSCO grant use, leaving \$127,919.21 in remaining funds. Mileage reimbursement increased.
- Alix - Conference: March 2nd & 3rd, 2025. Theme is "50 and Fabulous: Celebrating Our Past, Inspiring Your Future". 30+ submissions, deadline extended. Considering charging vendors for staggered lunchtime presentations. Jen in charge of Sunday evening celebration. Registration open soon!
- Ella (not present, Barb gave update)- awards: work in progress
- Luke & Michelle - Forum: Fall edition published, lots of good articles to check out if you haven't already read it. Aiming for Winter Forum to be published early February.
- Regional directors - SE: Unlikely Story event 11/22, connect with colleagues for holiday shopping and a meetup in the cafe; Metrowest: meet up at Natick bookstore; Boston: Trent online event at the beginning of the school year to meet new librarians; Central: meetup at Algonquin HS 11/20.
- Intellectual Freedom - Jen: at meeting
- Union - Sue: working on a survey gauging school librarians relationship with unions. Barb, Reba & Georgina to review a draft then send to membership.
- Georgina - Advocacy/Professional Development: film to highlight school librarians work for DESE; distinction between licensed librarians, question re: certification required for independent schools. Access to statewide databases through MBLC. Course vs. PD requirements. Shout out to Deb for meeting with DESE.

6. Questions and Discussion: Reba reported she and Luke [presented](#) at MA Superintendents conference

7. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn: Georgina. Seconded: Trent. All in favor. Meeting adjourned 5:31pm.