

Indiana Library Federation
Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, May 9, 2012, 3:30 pm

Board meeting summary

Minutes of the March 20, 2012 were approved. Akers received an email from an AISLE officer, a school librarian in Michigan City, and by ALA to contact the school board there immediately to voice our concern about the possibility of a middle school library being closed and librarian positions being cut. A letter was sent to the board and it was decided a shorter version should go to the local newspaper.

The board reviewed the treasurer's report. Our personal and trustee memberships have exceeded projections with institutional membership only being down a small amount.

The district conferences have been successful, though attendance is down somewhat. Akers introduced new staff member Stephanie Garwood who takes the position of conference manager. The membership report was presented by Akers and reviewed by the Board. A discussion was held about how to communicate with trustees. Akers will make an effort to communicate directly to the trustees via email to library board presidents. ILF is saving approximately \$30,000 as a result of having a CPA on staff and changing accounting firms.

IPLA agreed to support the advocacy efforts and will be contributing \$1,500 for an ILF project to step up activity to promote the value of libraries and to increase advocacy efforts. LeLoup encourages everyone to pass on ideas for advocacy to Akers. Akers will form a task force and would like four volunteers. Thirty libraries have participated in using the promotional "Bucks" items to date.

Legislative Committee Survey -- results distributed to the board.

ALA Legislative Day – Robin Crumrin, Dennis LeLoup, Terry Rheinheimer and Yvonne Olinger attended this year and made a report about their efforts.

Action Items:

- Budget FY 2013: The \$519,854 general operations budget presented was approved with a modification of "Travel ALA Councilor" from \$800 to \$1000 on a motion by Hatton and second by Ehinger. All in favor.
- Legislative Committee co-chairs: On a motion by Keogh and second by McFadden, Laurel Setser and Jason Hatton were approved as co-chairs of the Legislative Committee for the 7/2012-6/2013 year.

Association Reports

- IPLA – Schenkel: the IPLA is planning a fall conference on October 2 preceding the ILF's fall forum on October 3. The conference will focus on emerging technologies and social media.
- AISLE – Keogh: Membership was discussed at the AISLE's last meeting. The new database was implemented in late June of 2011, and some issues need to be worked out.

Also announced was the news that LeLoup was selected as Indiana's representative on ALA's Caldecott Committee.

- IALA – McFadden: 11 potential sessions for the annual conference were submitted by IALA.

Personnel Committee: the director's review will be held in July. Borneman and Akers are working on clarifying the definition of "part-time employee" for in the employee manual.

ALA Councilor: Terry Rheinheimer: The next ALA Legislative Day will be held on May 5, 2013.

Announcements:

- Barbara Stripling was elected as incoming ALA president.
- Kate Conklin had her baby and is currently on leave.
- Zionsville Schools passed a referendum which will save 17 positions (including media specialists).

The meeting was adjourned at 5:07.