

Board of Directors Minutes
Williamson County Public Library
Franklin, TN
September 10, 2016

Meeting was called to order at 10:07 am
President Richard Groves asked if there were any changes to the minutes. Minutes were accepted.
Richard Groves reported that, as representing TLA, he was approached by TASL and EveryLibrary, asking for TLA's support of a replacement for No Child Left Behind, which, for the first time, mentions school libraries. Richard sent a letter to the Department of Education in support of this initiative.

#	STANDING COMMITTEES	Report "IN"	No Report	Information/Action Item:
1	Advisory Committee on State Documents	x		
2	Archives & History		x	
3	ByLaws / Procedures	x		Ruth Kinnersley reported that the NMRT requested a change in the bylaws to make an addition to the duties of the Chair. The NMRT chair would also be the representative to, and liaison with, ALA's NMRT. Since the recommendation came from the Bylaws Committee, there was no need for a motion; the recommendation was passed.
4	Career Services	x		
5	Conference Planning	x		
6	Development	X		
7	Finance	x		
8	Honors / Awards	X		
9	TN History Book Award	x		
10	Volunteer State Book	X		
11	Intellectual Freedom	X		IF Chair Bryan Jones had requested information about the location of the physical archives of TLA. Annelle Huggins reported that the Archives and History Committee oversees the maintenance of these, which are held at the Tennessee State Library and Archives. Many of these files have been digitized, and are now maintained online. Print financial records are maintained for 10 years, per IRS rules, at the Executive Director's office. Jones also asked about procedures for determining pre-conference content. He was referred to the manual on the TLA website. Pre-conferences must be self-supporting. Submit a proposal, then work with the Conference Committee to determine feasibility.
12	Legislation	X		
13	Legislative Monitor		x	
14	Federal LAN		x	
15	Membership	X		
16	Nominating	X		
17	Public Relations	X		
18	Publications Advisory	X		

19	Scholarship	X		
20	Staff Development	x		
21	Strategic Planning		x	
	Leadership (Ad Hoc)	X		
SECTIONS				
22	College/University Libraries (CULS)	X		
23	Public Libraries	X		
24	School Libraries	X		
25	Special Libraries		x	
26	Trustee/Friends	X		
ROUNDTABLES				
27	Children/Young Adults		x	
28	Government Documents		x	
29	Leadership	X		
30	Library Instruction	X		
31	Library Technology	X		
32	New Members	X		
33	Reference/Information Services	X		
34	Technical Services		x	
AFFILIATES				
35	Chattanooga Area Library Assoc.		x	
36	Boone Tree Library Assoc.		x	
37	East TN Library Association		x	
38	Friends of TN Libraries	X		
39	Memphis Area Library Council	X		
40	Mid-State Library Association		x	
41	ALA/TLA Student Chapter	X		
42	UTSIS Alumni Chapter		x	
43	TN Assoc. of School Librarians	X		
44	TENN-SHARE	X		
45	TN Health Sciences Library Assoc.		x	
46	West TN Acad. Library Consortia		x	
REPRESENTATIVES				
47	ALA	X		
48	SELA	X		
49	State Library		x	
SPECIAL COMMITTEES				
50	Parliamentarian		x	
51	TLA/TASL Joint		x	
52	Task Force Reorganization	x		

DISCUSSIONS:

The open discussion period concerning diversity within TLA: Diversity should be a component of restructuring. Define "diversity." What does diversity mean for TLA? Are we thinking as an association or as library staff employment? Does TLA reflect who we are representing? Prison librarians; Librarians in outlying counties; private companies with libraries. Include everyone. TLA should reach out to these groups, and find out what they need. TLA should provide resources and

engagement for those libraries with underserved communities. It was suggested that an ad hoc committee be formed to look at this issue, working with the membership committee. Richard Groves asked for volunteers to serve.

Ruth Kinnersley commented that restructuring is being fine-tuned, and that the discussions have been helpful. Strategic Planning and restructuring will work to refine the vision for TLA by the December Board meeting.

Richard Groves announced that TLA paid for a small ad in the Knoxville YWCA newsletter congratulating Julie Webb on being a distinguished finalist in the YWCA's 32nd Annual Tribute to Women, the most prestigious acknowledgement of women in East Tennessee.

Closing remarks: When posting library-related comments on Twitter—Use #LovemyTNLibrary. Library Legislative Day has been scheduled. People are needed for local arrangements for the next conference in Memphis.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The December 3 Board Meeting will be held via GoToMeeting. Hosts are needed for small groups.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 am.

Respectfully Submitted,
Margaret Brown
Recording Secretary, 2016-2017

ATTENDED:		
Willetta Grady	Richard Groves	Susan Jennings
Annelle Huggins	James Rodgers	Meredith Goins
Bryan Jones	Carl Parham	Miriam Barrett
Kebede Wordofa	Nancy Gibson	Ruth Kinnersley
Kelly Lee	Michael Lindsay	Christina Chester-Fangman
Jennifer Sharp	Anthony Prince	Mindy Nichols
Sue Knoche	Bess Robinson	Kate Lewallen
Vandy Owen	Amy Dye-Reeves	Margaret Brown
Dolores Greenwald	Julie Huskey	Courtney Fuson
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