

Board of Directors Minutes
Knoxville Convention Center
Knoxville, Tennessee
April 4, 2017

Meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m.
A "shout-out" of those in attendance included those attending in the room and online.
Approval of the minutes of the December Board meeting was deferred until June.
Annelle Huggins reported that while membership numbers are lower, the conference is doing well.
Susan asked that an item be added to the agenda concerning funding of postage for the postcards.

#	STANDING COMMITTEES	Report "IN"	No Report	Information/Action Item:
1	Advisory Committee on State Documents	X		State agencies have not been sending documents to the 6 state repositories. The ACoSD recommends that TLA charge the Advisory Committee on State Documents to 1. meet with Secretary of State Hargett and Commissioner Oglesby to discuss the problem(s) and seek their guidance in finding workable solutions, and 2. if appropriate, following those meetings, to request legislation to address the problems. A motion was made and seconded. Motion carried.
2	Archives & History	x		
3	ByLaws / Procedures		X	
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		
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		Action Item/Topic for Discussion: Our section would like to revise the description (and required qualifications) for the Louise Meredith Award, the annual award given to an exemplary school librarian in the state of Tennessee. We

				would like to request input from the board members prior to drafting our new description. The profession has changed over the years, and the committee wants wording of the award to reflect what they're looking for. Discussion followed, mostly concerning how important it would be to have evidence of professional involvement and/or active involvement in the community. The committee will write a draft of the new description, and submit it to the Board for approval.
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:			
	Susan Jennings asked that the TLA fund the postage for the postcards to be sent to Tennessee legislators in support of retaining funding for the IMLS. Motion was made, seconded, and carried.			

Annelle Huggins explained the difference between the By-Laws and the Manual of Procedures.

Ruth Kinnersley reported for the Task Force on Re-structuring. They are looking at a leaner board, with 4 officers and 5 at-large representatives on the Executive committee. It was suggested that all committees be examined for relevance. Lengthy discussion followed, with many questions for Ruth. The first official vote will be taken at the next Board meeting.

A letter from ALA was read, thanking us for our contribution. A group will be going to National Legislative Day, doing advocacy in person. They will be glad to convey our concerns to the appropriate congresspeople.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Results of the election of officers were announced. Heather Lanier was elected Vice-President/President-Elect, and Christina Chester-Fangman was elected Recording Secretary.

Brian Jones reported that Legislative Day was a big step forward. The TLA Legislative Action Center is on the TLA website. Sharon Kay Edwards will be taking over as Legislative Monitor.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Margaret Brown
Recording Secretary, 2016-2017

ATTENDED:		
Vandy Owen	Anna Leta Moss	Jennifer Sharp
Ruth Kinnersley	Meg Harrison	Jodie Gambill
Annelle Huggins	Kelly Lee	Marissa Snead
Anthony Prince	James Rodgers	Carl Parham
Miriam Barrett	Margaret Brown	Julie Husky
Martha Earl	Jeffie Nicholson	Dwight Hunter
Meredith Goins	Christina Chester-Fangman	Heather Lanier
Susan Jennings	Amy Dye-Reeves	
Bryan Jones	Kate Lewallen	
Adam Clemons	Trent Hanner	
Sue Knoche	Jenifer Grady	
Kebede Wordofa	Chuck Sherrill	
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