

**AzLA Board Meeting  
September 16, 2015**

**Present**

- Dan Stanton
- Joyce Martin
- Becky Brendel
- Sandy Edwards
- Alexandra Humphreys
- Amber Kent
- Gina Macaluso
- Debbie Hanson Tripp
- Ingrid Trebisky
- Jasper Halt
- Kathy Husser
- Lauren Regenhardt
- Mari Barron
- Dale Savage
- Amber Mathewson
- Andrew See
- Amanda Brite
- Holly Henley
- Alexis Skidmore
- Jenn Lopez

**Call to Order 10:02 AM**

1. MPLA Leadership Institute – reminder and encourage members to attend. Do not need to be an MPLA member to apply. MLS is not required. Good chance of getting in. Deadline October 31<sup>st</sup>. As long as someone works full time in an Arizona library you can apply to the state library for a scholarship to go.
2. Trophies for AzLA awards. Ingrid will order four weeks in advance of needing them from House of Trophies. Award committee chairs contact Ingrid to make sure your awardee gets a trophy. Dan will present service awards and Holly will present author awards at the conference. Scholarship award winners will be announced as well.
3. Horner Scholarship Memorabilia archives needs a home. The Horner's gathered artifacts and gave them to the committee. Some of the items have monetary value and some sentimental value, but they need a permanent home. AzLA needs to decide what to do with them.
4. Regional Forum Planning – We did not have a regional forum this year. A subcommittee met and discussed the new procedures for regional forum. \$2000 from professional

development budget for Spring 2016 forum. Regional representatives will help organize these events.

5. AzLA Engage – ALA Advocacy program with states. AzLA Engage page is now set up. Way for AzLA members to engage in political issues [www.cqrcengage.com/alaaz/home](http://www.cqrcengage.com/alaaz/home) . Need someone to administer the page – maybe a couple of people to help provide content (advocacy and marketing.) Florida has a good site – as a possible model. Florida shared documentation (slide show) and “how-to” handbook with AzLA – this can be found on the AzLA page. How do people get to Engage site? On the menu on AzLA’s main web site. There will also be a link from ALA <http://cqrcengage.com/ala/chapters>. Dan will send out an email to see who might be interested in working on this.
  
6. Conference Updates
  - a. 2015
    - i. Regional Rep Meetings at Conference? Jasper noted meeting rooms are all taken. Will schedule regional rep meeting during the AzLA planning forum on Thursday at 4:25-4:50PM in the Bright Angel Room prior to the SIRLS reception. Amber would be happy to include all the regional reps in this meeting. Could use another room if a session cancelled.
  - b. 2016
    - i. Thinking Hilton in Tucson – backup could be Hilton in Mesa
  - c. 2017
    - i. Partner with AASL (Association of School Librarians) in Phoenix? AASL meeting will be at the Convention Center. Convention Center is out of AzLA’s price range. Concern about the cost of attendance if we pursue this partnership. AzLA would bear all of the costs for our portion of the conference even if we did partner with AASL. Mesa Convention Center more affordable.
  
7. ALA President sent out a letter urging that the next Librarian of Congress actually be a librarian. Multiple state library organizations have come forward with their own letter of support for this. Would AzLA like to do this as well? If so we would need a vote and have something written up to send to Arizona’s congressional delegation and possibly the President. Dan will write up a draft and will send it out to a vote to executive committee.
  
8. 2015 AzLA Election Results from Ann Boles:
  - a. President-Elect: Sandy Edwards
  - b. Treasurer: Kathy D. Hellman
  - c. ALA Councilor: Aimee Fifarek
  - d. Central Arizona Rep: Rob Wilson

The next in-person Board meeting will be October 16<sup>th</sup> at the [Wheeler Taft Abbett Sr Library](#) (7800 N. Schisler Dr.) in Tucson.

Adjourned 12:43 PM