MiALA Board Meeting Notes
May 4, 2023 at 1:00pm

Present: Darlene Johnson-Bignotti, Andrew Lundeen (ex-officio), Katrina Rouan, Kalyn Huson, Carin Graves, Lori DeBie, Jeremy Barney, Krysta Vincent, Kate Langan, Veronica Bielat, Denise Leyton, Mary O’Kelly, Aaron Kilgore

Absent: n/a

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 1:02pm.

Board Business Meeting:

1. Approval of agenda - Bielat made a motion to approve the agenda. Johnson-Bignotti seconded. Motion passed.
2. Approval of Consent Agenda (agenda items within 2) - Johnson-Bignotti made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Leyton seconded. Motion passed.
   a. Approval of previous board meeting minutes
   b. Committee reports
      i. Advocacy -
      ii. Communications and Marketing - No report (Jeremy)
      iii. Executive -
      iv. Membership - Planning on: recap of themes from staff involvement feedback seeking, birds of a feather, and meet-ups (Denise)
      v. Nominating -
      vi. Conference - Committee will meet Monday May 8 to finalize last minute arrangements. Looking forward to seeing you all in Holland! (Darlene)
      vii. IDEA -
      viii. Awards ad-hoc - No report. (Darlene)
   c. Partner Reports
      i. MCLS -
   d. Treasurer’s Report - Budget is officially approved! Will share out about this at the Business meeting
   e. Policies and Procedures Manual -
   f. Interest Group Coordinating Council -

Old Business

1. Funding priorities and best practices
   a. Background and brainstorming document: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1oFzzxegul86lXuhenvbmD2EQSOfrAE4fdDgPf2Cz0m8/edit
   b. Proposed board procedures for reviewing funding requests: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1XsvdO_CQSRKFIsi1YjcDAfdlNVebH3HZEIfuqiD7vOg/edit#heading=h.xtd4a64utmzr
Graves - We agreed to set up a second funding request form for Committees. Responses will go to the Board. The Meeting Planning FAQ will be updated. We also have a draft document of Board Procedures for Reviewing Funding Requests based on the similar document from the IGCC.

Leyton - We may want a working group of the Board to iron out the details of these workflows.

Johnson-Bignotti - I agree, a working group is a good idea.

Graves calls for a motion to charge a working group (made up of Graves, Johnson-Bignotti, and Lundeen) to review the workflows for funding requests.

Johnson-Bignotti made a motion for the formation of a working group. O'Kelly seconded. The motion passed.

2. Any updates or remaining questions from IDEA on Code of Conduct

Rouan - I missed the most recent IDEA meeting, but the CoC should be fully updated soon.

Leyton - I shared with IDEA that the Board thought the workflow should be updated to have complaints go to the Executive Committee.

3. Reminder of membership meeting at conference

Graves - This is during lunch on the Friday of the conference.

Huson - We have 162 registrants for the conference.

New Business

1. Summer schedule discussion

Graves - We seem to have enough to meet over the summer.

Johnson-Bignotti - We plan to do a Doodle poll to see if we meet in person or virtually or check availability.

Leyton - There were questions from IDEA re how new members are recruited.

Graves - We can make an announcement at the Membership Meeting and send out information after the conference.

Langan - There is a link on the nominations site re Committee interests.

2. In Memoriam at Conference (Katrina)

Rouan - The Conference Committee is looking to acknowledge MiALA members who have passed away.

3. Proposed fourth bylaw amendment

Langan - We missed the deadline on the Board voting to approve the fourth proposed amendment to the bylaws.

Graves - I will remember to add it for next year’s voting deadline.

Johnson-Bignotte made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Lundeen seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 1:58pm.

Issue Bin / Future Agenda Items
Upcoming Important Dates:

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Next Board Meetings:
First Thursdays at 1pm
  - June 1st at 1pm

Next Executive Board Meetings:
TBD
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