

MiALA Board Meeting Minutes

March 19, 2021 at 2:15pm

Attendance: Kate Langan, Beth Martin, Gina Bolger, Emilia Marcyk, Darlene Johnson-Bignotti, David Malone, Tim Peters, Brenna Wade, Carin Graves, Rachel Minkin, Heather Ladiski, Bethany Kennedy

Absent: Cynthia Simpson

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 2:19 p.m.

Board Business Meeting:

1. Approval of agenda - Martin made a motion to approve the agenda and Johnson-Bignotti seconded. The motion carried.
2. Approval of Consent Agenda (agenda items within 2) - Malone made a motion to approve the consent agenda and Kennedy seconded. The motion carried.
 - a. Approval of the [February 19, 2021](#) board meeting minutes
 - b. Committee reports

- i. Advocacy (Emilia)

Updated language for the bylaws: The Advocacy Committee is charged with providing resources and education about issues of importance to academic libraries, especially within the context of higher education in the state of Michigan. The committee promotes the advocacy efforts of ACRL and ALA and engages in activities that raise professional awareness of specific issues to support academic librarians and library staff, as well as other library communities in their own advocacy efforts.

The committee is also making further plans for attending MLA's library advocacy day on April 20th, and documenting advocacy efforts from other state-level academic library associations

- ii. Communications and Marketing - Brenna

- iii. Executive - Cynthia

- iv. Membership (Rachel) - Meeting next week

- v. Nominating - Next meeting April 6, 2021 - Beth

- vi. Conference - Kate

- vii. Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, & Accessibility - Darlene

IDEA is working on a code of conduct for the annual conference.

(Question for Heather: I do not see the draft on the agenda; did IDEA

decide to do more revising and/or present to the Board at another time?)

- c. Partner Reports

- i. MCLS -

- d. Treasurer's Report - new business
- e. Policies and Procedures Manual -
- f. Interest Group Coordinating Council (Carin) - IGs that will want funding next year for pop-up events or honorariums: Web/UX, Health Sciences, Crit Lib, OER, Instruction (just to roll over funding for MIX)

Old Business

1. [Conference Code of Conduct](#) - The document was created last year, but was not able to be approved due to COVID. Ladiski edited it this year and sent it back to the IDEA committee. They made more modifications and presented it to the board for approval. The examples were discussed and the section on microaggressions was reworded. Martin made a motion to approve the Conference Code of Conduct as amended and Johnson-Bignotti seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

New Business

1. [Proposed 2021/2022 Budget](#) - Minkin and Ladiski presented the budget for the 21/22 fiscal year. Some budget lines have a built in cushion to make use of the organization's savings. This topic will be discussed further this summer. Malone will contact MMDP to give them a budget report. Wade made a motion to approve the budget and Johnson-Bignotti seconded it. The motion pass unanimously.
2. Annual Conference keynote speaker - Langan reported that a keynote speaker has been chosen for the 2021 Annual Conference. The speaker will be recording a presentation to be played during the keynote time and the conference committee is working on ways to create opportunities for interaction with the topic.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:01 p.m.

Issue Bin / Future Agenda Items

- IDEA funding of BIPOC librarian/staff positions
- Information Literacy IG MIX conference funding

Next Board Meetings:

The third Friday of every month at 2:15pm.

- April 16, 2021
- May 21, 2021
- June 18, 2021

Next Executive Board Meetings:

The first Friday of every month at 2:30pm.

- April 2, 2021
 - May 7, 2021
 - June 4, 2021
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