

AACRL Executive Board Meeting Minutes

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February 13, 2021

Scheduled 2:00 – 3:00 PM

The meeting came to order at 2:10 PM

Present: **Dusty Folds**, President; **Megan Bell**, Treasurer; **Delores Carlito**, Secretary; **Kara Van Abel**, Member-at-Large; **Ellen Wilson**, Webmaster; **Eric Kidwell**, Legislative Liaison; **Kim Westbrooks**, Vice President/President Elect

Absent: **Kathy Wheeler**, Past President; **DeDe Bradsher**, Newsletter Editor

I. Welcome and Roll Call

II. Approval of June meeting minutes.

Motion to approve: Eric Kidwell

Second: Kim Westbrooks

Minutes were approved

III. Old Business

Update on anti-racism resources survey (Kim)

- They have not received any response
- Should we do something else with the information.
- Other library associations have created anti-racism documents. Instead, we could have a program promoting those other resources that have been created.
- Have a webinar or meeting at the Alabama Library Association conference
- Also a possible project for the Continuing Education Committee

Meeting Platforms (Kim, Dusty, Ellen):

- Looked at 4 meeting hosting platforms for usability and price: Zoom, Google Meet, GoToMeeting, and WebEx
 - Preference: GoToMeeting
 - Reasons:
 - Business Plan is \$153/year.
 - Allows for growth
 - People who are not necessarily members can attend
 - Can have a pro organizer who can run meeting
 - Unlimited cloud recording
 - Unlimited time
 - Hope to get it set up in the next couple of weeks
- **Addition via email post meeting
- Comparison attached

IV. Committee and Officer Updates

Kim Westbrooks, Vice-President/President-Elect

- Wants feedback for the annual AACRL business meeting
- We should not have a cost associated with it
- This a good experiment to see if it works, so we can judge how to move forward with the dinner meetings
- Having a virtual meeting might broaden our speaker options
- Let her know if you have any ideas for speakers
- DEI-centered talk

Kim Westbrooks, Continuing Education and Training Committee

- Waiting for the conference meeting software/

Kim Westbrooks, Program Committee

- ALLA currently reviewing programs.
- We will have answer next week about availability for CUS AACRL lightening talks.
- Lightening talks are about 7 talks in an hour.
- ALLA will be using WebEx, but that limits number of attendees
- Do we want to host the lightening talks?
- Megan asked if we could prerecord sessions.
- We will need to check on agreements for speakers being recorded.

Megan Bell, Treasurer

- Report at <https://uab.box.com/s/ryy12i0zsktiv0gib2wrjss27yzlpva>
- Only 48 members in good standing.

Kara Van Abel, Member-at-Large & Chair, Membership Committee

- Membership Statistics:
 - 50 members are in good standing
 - 4 said they have mailed a check, but it hasn't been received
 - 11 renewed
 - 38 memberships have lapsed over the last two years and they weren't sure whether 2019 lapses were sent renewals.
- Wants to send another notification but wants to offer something. Possible incentives:
 - Most people don't attend ALA or ACRL, so virtual events allow us to bring in speakers
 - Speaker series

Eric – Legislative liaison

- National Library Legislation Day is usually in early May.
- Not sure what they are going to do this year, but it will probably be virtual again.

V. Next Meeting:

Dusty will send out Doodle Polls for a meeting at the beginning or middle of March

The meeting adjourned at 3:03 PM.