

AACRL Executive Board Meeting Minutes

GoToMeeting
July 28, 2021
Scheduled 1-2 PM

The meeting came to order at 1 PM

Present: **Kim Westbrook**, President; **Marliese Thomas**, Vice President/President Elect, **Dusty Folds**, Past President; **Delores Carlito**, Secretary; **Kara Van Abel**, Member-at-Large; **Ellen Wilson**, Webmaster; **Eric Kidwell**, Legislative Liaison.

Absent: **Megan Bell**, Treasurer; **DeDe Bradsher**, Newsletter Editor

I. Welcome and Roll Call

II. Approval of March 2021 meeting minutes.

Motion to approve: Eric Kidwell

Second: Marliese Thomas

Minutes were approved

III. Old Business

AACRL Annual Meeting attendance & Ms. Holly Hampton's Anti-Racist Web Presentation (Kim)

- 30 attendees in both the meeting and presentation

ALLA conference and AACRL/CUS Best Practice sessions attendance (Kim)

- 24 attendees
- Hosted through AACRL GoToMeeting; couldn't be hosted through ALLA's platform

Dr. Bharat Mehra's Anti-Racist Web Presentation (Kim)

- Virtual program
- 18 attendees
- Speaker wanted to join AACRL after the talk

Membership update (Megan submitted prior to meeting)

- There are currently 60 paid members
 - Roster numbers since 2013:
 - 2013 49
 - 2014 53
 - 2015 85
 - 2016 104
 - 2017 97
 - 2018 100
 - 2019 84
 - 2020 78
 - 2021 60
- AACRL PayPal payments started in 2015 which helped the numbers increase.

- Previous Treasurer Debbie Cobb actively recruited.
- Megan was supposed to send membership renewal reminders in 2019 but didn't
- Member-at-Large Kara took over renewal reminders and recruiting in 2020
 - She has revamped the AACRL payment page and the process
- Eric: should we put together a program to address MLIS students?

Welcome President-Elect Marliese Thomas (Kim)

- Kim welcomed Marliese
- Kim thanked everyone for their service

Review officer list and contact information (Delores)

- One change: Eric A. Kidwell, ekidwell@hawks.huntingdon.edu

Need for temporary AACRL Newsletter Editor (Kim)

- Deedee will not be able to continue as newsletter editor
 - Marliese: could the grad school do an internship for it?
 - Eric: Editor must be a member, and while he likes the idea of a student, that person would have to join.
 - Kim: we could waive membership
- Dusty: we could send an email asking for volunteers
- Kim: Proposal that we send an email asking for volunteers
 - Motion: Ellen
 - Second: Marliese

The motion passed.
- Kim: How can we send a card?
 - Delores recommended ecard she used for Craig Beard's retirement.
 - *Post-meeting update: site is groupgreeting.com*

IV. New Business

Job postings on the AACRL website (Kim)

- No place for us to advertise job opportunities on our website now
- Ellen: It would be easy to add under news and events; people would have to email the ad for it to be posted.
- Kara: should there be a fee or should the ads be only for members? Should we just use the listserv?
- Posting would boost distribution.
- Our website will post job ads for academic library professional and paraprofessional positions.
- Ellen will create.

Possible collaborative webinar offering with Beta Phi Mu (Kim)

- Beta Phi Mu is the library school honor society
- Karly Johnson, Beta Phi Mu president, contacted Kim for collaboration on webinar
- Would be good for webinars for library school students
- Marliese: suggested panel so students can hear multiple voices.
- Kim will email for more discussion and ideas.

AACRL Annual Meeting

- Looks like it will be in person ALLA (Montgomery)
- Eric works with the co-chair and will get information from her.
- Kim: recommends a hybrid convention, online and face-to-face.
- Even if everything is back to normal next year, it would be good to have an online presence because of our increased attendance with virtual sessions.
- It will be Marliese's to organize.
- What would be the financial investment or intrinsic value if we provide a recording of the live presentation?
- We may still need to have two plans.

Volunteering for Committees (Dusty)

- How do people sign up to volunteer for committees? Is it on the registration form?
- Kara: It's on the second page of the registration form
- Any officer can access from the shared Google drive
 - *Post-meeting update: Username: alabama.acrl.2020; Password: @acrshare*

V. Next Meeting:

November 3, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.

Motion to adjourn: Eric Kidwell
Second: Ellen Wilson

The meeting adjourned at 1:52 p.m.