

**SCASL Board of Directors  
Meeting Minutes  
Camp Bob Cooper  
August 1, 2016**

**I. Call to Order**

Cindy Symonds called the meeting to order at 12:56pm

**II. Roll Call**

**In Attendance:** Irish Anderson, Ljubica Arceneaux, Diana Carr, Angela Durham, Diane Ervin, Camellia Harris, Julianne Kaye, Anne Lemieux, Cathy Jo Nelson, Deborah Palmer, Kathy Sutusky, Cindy Symonds, Heather Thore, Charlene Zehner

**Guest:** Heather Moorfield-Lang

**III. Agenda Items**

- a. President, Cindy Symonds
  - i. Year in Review with images
    1. Charleston Bibliography
    2. Conference Representation
    3. Issued \$300 flood relief grants
    4. Regional Meetings
      - a. Plan to be offered again in Spring 2017
      - b. 450 attendees statewide, we need to increase attendance to continue offering professional development just for librarians
    5. Myrtle Beach Conference was under attended, but still a success
    6. Award recipients - we had recipients for every award this year
    7. SC Book Awards - 2 author winners accepted their awards at the luncheon
    8. SC Read In was the biggest ever (over 4,000)
    9. Read to Succeed Cohorts for Media Specialists
    10. Keep SC DISCUS Strong (we were essential in keeping DISCUS funded by the state)
  - ii. Goals
    1. 25% growth in membership
    2. Target diversity in leadership roles
    3. Mentor program for new media specialists
- b. Conference Update, Cathy Jo Nelson
  - i. Shared the conference logo
  - ii. Hyatt Regency in downtown Greenville is a great location
    1. Most of the conference is on the 1st floor, easy access
  - iii. Keynote is Dr. David Lankes, the new USC SLIS Director
  - iv. John Shumaker & Colby Sharp are also big speakers for sessions.

- v. Steering Committee is working on adding in new activities for conference attendees to complete during conference including an innovator's fair.
- c. Secretary, Heather Thore
  - i. Kathy moved that the minutes be approved. The motion was seconded and approved.
- d. Budget Presentation, Gloria Coleman via Cindy Symonds
  - i. Line 1000 Income-other is \$5.75. Where did that come from? Is it a typo?
  - ii. Discussed the changes suggested by the executive committee yesterday.
  - iii. Kathy made a motion to accept the proposed budget with recommended changes. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.
- e. Past President, Jennifer Tazerouti via Cindy Symonds
  - i. Working to get the contracts for the 2019 and 2020 conferences at the Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center.
- f. Executive Secretary, Diane Ervin
  - i. 352 current members
  - ii. There are roughly 1900 librarians in SC, so we need to advocate and increase membership.
- g. Supervisors, Diana Carr
  - i. Supervisors meetings in September, February, and March
  - ii. Has plans on discussions and jobs for the meetings including ESEA and updating the library program standards
- h. Awards, Charlene Zehner
  - i. Is going to work with the committee to figure out guidelines for the new library program award.
- i. SLIS, Karen Gavigan via Heather Moorefield-Lang
  - i. New USC-SLIS Director is Dr. David Lankes and he is a big advocate for school libraries
    - 1. Heather recommends looking up his talk on burning down the libraries
  - ii. Going up for reaccreditation this year
  - iii. Looking to hire more professors
  - iv. Obtained a grant from the Library of Congress that will fund the 2017 Summer Institute which will focus on using primary sources.
- j. Book Awards, Camellia Harris
  - i. The Book Award handbook has been updated.
  - ii. The book award trailer rubric has been revised due to the feedback received from last year's judges.
  - iii. Committee discussed the option of meeting online to save money. 60% of the members want to meet face-to-face. The biggest problem with meeting online is distributing consideration copies.
  - iv. Camellia is going to talk with her committee chairs about making a proposal to the Board to adjust the time commitment from February to February since much of the work is completed by December.

1. Kathy Sutusky recommended also looking at the guidelines since they state a committee member must serve on the committee that matches their school level (for example, a middle school librarian is not allowed to serve on the PBA committee). She recommends changing it to allow wiggle room since some people are transferred in late May or over the summer.
- k. Bylaws, Angela Durham
  - i. There is a discrepancy between the Bylaws and Book Awards guidelines for the length of time commitment for committee members. A proposal needs to be submitted for approval at the Business Meeting at conference.
  - ii. Diane Ervin suggested rotating the Paraprofessional Chair like the Awards Chair (the person who wins the Paraprofessional of the Year Award is the new Chair each year).
    1. Charlene suggested having them serve on the Awards committee instead of changing the Chair each year.
  - iii. Diane Ervin suggested considering offering a district membership option where if a district purchases membership for all of it's librarians, they get a 10% discount.
- l. Legislative, Anne Lemeiux
  - i. Read In
    1. Ann Addy wants to do a "Once upon a time..." writing competition between registered schools. Anne told her we would need a rubric.
    2. She wants dates for the 2018 Read In and Anne gave her 2 days to save until we receive school calendars.
- m. Information Technology, Julianne Kaye
  - i. Julianne is going to work with Public Awareness to increase social media presence (and add an Instagram account).

#### **IV. Meeting Adjourned**

- a. Kathy moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded and approved unanimously. Cindy adjourned the meeting at 3:02 pm.

Minutes submitted by: Heather Thore, Secretary