

MINUTES
STATE LIBRARY BOARD MEETING
January 21, 2016

The State Library Board met January 21, 2016 in Conference Room D of the State Library, 274 East First Avenue, Columbus, Ohio.

CALL TO ORDER

The business meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. State Library Board members present were: Ms. Jennifer McKell, President; Ms. Krista Taracuk; Ms. Melissa Hendon Deters; Ms. Laurie Gemmill Arp; Mr. Michael Merz; and Ms. Beverly Cain, Secretary.

Visitors present were: Michael Butler, OhioNET; Doug Evans, Ohio Library Council; John Myles; Mandy Simon, Bexley Public Library; Jennifer Turner, OhioNET; Christine Morris, OhioNET; Stephen Hedges, OPLIN;

State Library staff members present were: Bill Morris, Julia Ward, Jen Johnson, Anne Libby, Missy Lodge, Mandy Knapp, Cindy Boyden, Katy Klettlinger, Kirstin Krumsee, Nicole Merriman, Tracy Grimm, Jamie Pardee, Janet Ingraham Dwyer, and Ann Watson.

OATH OF OFFICE

Ms. McKell administered the oath of office to Mr. Michael Merz. Mr. Merz was appointed to his first full, five-year term on the State Library Board by the State Board of Education at its December meeting.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

John Myles, former State Library Board President, addressed the Board with thoughts about his time on the Board as well as the future. Mr. Myles commended the Board, State Librarian Beverly Cain, and State Library staff for their excellent work. He expressed his hope that the Board will continue to support collaborative programs in the future and offered best wishes for the State Library's continued success.

Ms. McKell thanked Mr. Myles for his thoughts and said the Board will take them to heart.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Taracuk moved (M-1-16) that the minutes of the December 8, 2015 Board meeting be approved.

Ms. Deters seconded the motion. The motion passed with Ms. McKell, Ms. Taracuk, Ms. Deters, Ms. Arp, and Mr. Merz voting "aye."

BOARD DEVELOPMENT
ILEAD USA

Cindy Boyden from the State Library of Ohio and Mandy Simon from Bexley Public Library gave a presentation to the Board about the impact ILEAD USA had on their professional growth and development. Ms. Boyden said that the immersive nature of the program is a great way to get to know your colleagues as well as yourself and your leadership style, what speaks to you, and what's important to you. Ms. Simon has participated in several leadership programs and told the Board that the ILEAD USA format is unique in its small size and it is more personal and creates great interpersonal connections. Working together to achieve goals is important. Ms. Boyden mentioned that eight participants of ILEAD USA received new jobs between the second

and third session. As a result of the ILEAD USA program, participants actually feel like leaders. Ms. McKell expressed her appreciation of the Board's contact with ILEAD USA participants. Ms. Arp commended participants for taking on the challenge of the ILEAD USA program.

LSTA REPORT

Library Leadership Ohio Grant

Missy Lodge, Associate State Librarian for Library Development, introduced Michael Butler of OhioNET to the Board. Mr. Butler presented the Board with a summary of the Library Leadership Ohio grant being brought before the Board for approval. This year, 32 participants will be accepted into the program in order for the participants to have a more personal experience with the Ivy Group consultants. Five scholarships will be given from INFOhio, OELMA, and OhioNET. This year, social media was emphasized as an important tool for promotion and engaging Library Leadership Ohio alumni. Mr. Butler applauded Evan Struble of the State Library of Ohio for his work on the social media piece. Jeff Regensburger from the Worthington Public Library, who is a Library Leadership Ohio graduate, is heading the review process. This year will emphasize more collaboration and interaction than in the past. Mr. Butler expressed how important leadership programs are. Ms. Deters asked how participants are chosen. Mr. Butler explained that review teams go over each application and rate it with a point system. The review team then meets to discuss pros and cons of the applicants to choose the participants. The review teams try to add diversity to the group to make sure the different types of libraries are represented. Ms. Deters asked the cost of the program and Mr. Butler explained that the cost is \$500, which includes accommodations and food. Ms. Arp asked what the goal of the program was and Mr. Butler said it is to take away fundamental leadership skills and he would like to see organizations provide opportunities for participants outside of the program.

Ms. Taracuk moved (M-2-16) that a Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) grant in the amount of \$35,000 from FFY15 funds be awarded to OhioNET for the Training/Library Leadership Ohio 2016 project for the period of February 1, 2016 – September 30, 2016.

Ms. Deters seconded the motion. The motion passed with Ms. McKell, Ms. Taracuk, Ms. Deters, Ms. Arp, and Mr. Merz voting "yes."

STATE LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Board Retreat Reschedule

Beverly Cain, State Librarian, explained that the State Library has had a difficult time finding a host site for the May State Library Board retreat. Both potential sites are under major renovations. OCLC, one of the potential sites, would like to host the retreat in the fall. Since Ms. Cain is going to be on extended leave during what would be the planning process and because a site is available in the fall, Ms. Cain suggested moving this year's retreat to September or October with a one day Board meeting in May. The Board agreed to move the retreat to October 20-21 at OCLC.

Medical Leave

Ms. Cain presented the Board with a plan that has been put into place for coverage of her duties while she is out on medical leave starting February 24. Missy Lodge, Associate State Librarian for Library Development and Ann Watson, Associate State Librarian for Library Services will be supervising Ms. Cain's direct reports. All meetings both internal and external as well as OAKS

approvals will be covered by various State Library staff. After the first couple of weeks, Ms. Cain will be able to answer emails and do light work from home.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

Election of Vice-President

Ms. Arp moved (M-3-16) that Krista Taracuk be nominated for the office of Vice President of the State Library Board effective January 1, 2016, for the remainder of the biennial term beginning July 1, 2015.

Ms. Deters seconded the motion.

Mr. Merz moved (M-4-16) that the nominations be closed, a unanimous ballot be cast for Ms. Taracuk, and that Ms. Taracuk be declared elected to that office effective January 1, 2016 for the remainder of the biennial term beginning July 1, 2015.

Ms. Deters seconded the motion. The motion passed with Ms. McKell, Ms. Deters, Ms. Arp, and Mr. Merz voting "yes." Ms. Taracuk abstained.

Retirement Resolution

Ms. Cain read the following retirement resolution for Cathy Hakala-Ausperk:

WHEREAS, Cathy Hakala-Ausperk has served with distinction and dedication as a leader in the Ohio library community since 1984; and

WHEREAS, Cathy Hakala-Ausperk has served as Director of Northeast Ohio Regional Library System (NEO-RLS) since 2011, leading NEO-RLS through a period of tremendous growth and change; and

WHEREAS, Cathy Hakala-Ausperk gave unsparingly of her time, energy, and knowledge to serve as a member of the State Library's LSTA Advisory Council, and provided insightful comments at grant review team meetings, and reviewed many proposals over the years; and

WHEREAS, Cathy Hakala-Ausperk has provided leadership and service to the library community through teaching at the Kent State University School of Library and Information Science, speaking at many state, local, and national conferences, and authoring books on management and leadership;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the members of the Board of the State Library of Ohio, meeting in regular session this 21st day of January, 2016, in Columbus, Ohio, express their individual and collective gratitude and appreciation for Cathy Hakala-Ausperk.

The resolution was adopted with Ms. McKell, Ms. Taracuk, Ms. Deters, Ms. Arp, and Mr. Merz voting "aye."

Recognition of Service Resolution

Ms. McKell presented the following Recognition of Service Resolution to John Myles:

WHEREAS, John Myles served diligently as a member of the State Library Board from January 2011 through December 2015 and President of the State Library Board from November 2014 through December 2015; and

WHEREAS, throughout his career, John Myles has provided an unparalleled level of professional service and commitment to the Ohio library community through his work with the State Library Board, the INFOhio Board, the LSTA Advisory Council, Ohio Educational Library Media Association, National Education Association, Northwest Education Association, Northwest Library District, Northwest Regional Library System (NORWELD), the Liberty Center Public Library Board, and the White House Conference on Libraries; and

WHEREAS, John Myles helped lead the State Library of Ohio through a period of ongoing change, including shifting legislative priorities, making major strides forward in the digitization and preservation of information related to Ohio's cultural heritage, and redefining the boundaries of 34 public libraries in order to eliminate double taxation for library services; and

WHEREAS, John Myles has contributed in numerous ways to the success of the many programs and services offered by the State Library;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the members of the Board of the State Library of Ohio, meeting in regular session this 21st day of January 2016, in Columbus, Ohio, express their individual and collective gratitude and appreciation for John Myles.

The Resolution was adopted with Ms. McKell, Ms. Taracuk, Ms. Deters, Ms. Arp, and Mr. Merz voting "aye."

LUNCH

The Board and staff ate lunch and informally discussed matters related to the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further items for discussion, the Board adjourned by common consent at 11:58 a.m.

President

Secretary

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