

Massachusetts School Library Association
February 8, 2024 4:30-6:00 pm
Zoom
Executive Summary Board Meeting Minutes

Attendance:

Mike Caligiuri	Liz Cammilleri	Barb Fecteau	PJ Faynman
Michelle Fontaine	Sue Larson	Daisy Magner	Iris Santana
Luke Steere	Georgina Trebbe	Alix Woznick	Deborah Froggatt
Christi Farrar	Colleen Simpson	Jen Varney	Harriet Wallen
Emily Willis	Jenna Wolf		

1. Welcome--- Barb called the meeting to order at 4:32pm. Motion to approve the minutes by Daisy, seconded by Sue Larson, motion carried.
2. Nominating Committee: Jen: need 5 volunteers; Daisy, Luke, Sue, Colleen, and Harriet all volunteered to be on the committee
3. Social Media: Barb: Nutan Mathew has agreed to be the Board liaison for our social media accounts. A discussion followed regarding how the social media liaison will work in conjunction with the Forum editors Luke and Michelle.
4. Commending/Action Resolutions from ALA: Jen asked the board to consider any local allies that help with the MSLA mission for consideration for these accolades. There is an April deadline.

5. Updates:

- Regional Updates:
 - SE - AI discussion; first of many hopefully; very successful
 - WEST - upcoming get together with higher ed librarians set for April
 - BOS - virtual meet-up to plan future get together
 - CEN - area in-person meet-up at Algonquin HS; discussion about advocacy
 - MW - Leap day presentation by Anita Cellucci regarding Guided Inquiry
 - NE - Upcoming in-person trivia night planned as well as meet-ups on teaching graphic novels, updating your collection, and running Destiny reports
 - TECH - currently working to recruit people to attend MSLA Conference
- Outreach: Debbie
 - Working with legislators to include language in bills promoting school librarianship
 - Upcoming legislative breakfast in Boston
 - We have met an important goal in our Strategic Plan; we now can award PDPs
 - Working to include language regarding the inclusion of school librarians in DESE's Civic Pathways curriculum
- Treasurer: Daisy: As of January 31, 2024, MSLA's net worth is \$134,556.95. Of that amount, \$5,484.84 is earmarked for Paradis Fund Grants, and \$17,500 is earmarked for the EBSCO grant use, leaving \$111,572.11 in remaining funds.
- Georgina: Advocacy: Discussed future partnership with DESE

- Forum: Luke and Michelle:
 - There has been some strong, positive feedback on the look and format of the *Forum*
- Liaisons: PJ: (see area reports)
- Union liaison: The MTA is addressing the issue of book challenges as the NEA is planning a meeting with NEA counsel present; look for updates on the listserv
- Conference: Alix:
 - New this year is the roll out of the rideshare/ house share addition this year
 - Also new this year a “Red Carpet” cocktail hour for the paparazzi

6. Other items:

- MLA: Bill Track 50 and One Click Politics
- MTCBA/MCBA meet up re: summer reading; looking for regional board members to lead their school library regions in partnership with their local libraries to develop summer reading programs.

Motion to adjourn: Michelle, **seconded** Barb, **motion passed unanimously, meeting adjourned 5:55 pm.**