

**Massachusetts School Library Association**  
**January 10, 2024 4:30-6:00pm**  
**Zoom**  
**Executive Summary Board Meeting Minutes**

Attendance:

Mike Caligiuri  
Liz Cammilleri  
Sue Doherty  
Barb Fecteau  
PJ Faynman  
Michelle Fontaine  
Emma Kwon  
Sue Larson  
Daisy Magner  
Claudia Palframan  
Iris Santana  
Tinamarie Sheckells  
Luke Steere  
Ella Stocker  
Reba Tierney  
Georgina Trebbe  
Alix Woznick

1. Welcome, check in, call to order, approve minutes of November meeting--- Barb called the meeting to order at 4:33pm. Motion to approve the minutes by Georgina, seconded by Iris, motion carried.

2. Updates:

- MLS: offer open to attend focus group/conference, they are supportive of school libraries
- Regional: West: South Hadley book banning event; Central: Mike and Liz meeting to develop action plan; Metro: event, 22 people participated; Boston: BBF meet up; Southeast: AI discussion, conference meet up; Western, Northampton: conversation about distributing notices with names, books, student information, and to whom.
- Outreach: Debbie: Shared details of library caucus meeting, Library Bills 2023 and MSLA is approved by DESE to award PDP's. Deb also involved in DESE meeting 01/24, search committee for Director of MBLC and AASL Standards Committee.
- Treasurer: Daisy: As of December 31, 2023, MSLA's net worth is \$118,901.54. Of that amount, \$5,484.84 is earmarked for Paradis Fund Grants, and \$17,500 is earmarked for the EBSCO grant use, leaving \$95,916.70 in remaining funds.

- Awards: Ella: finalizing dates for 2024 awards, new later cycle. Ella proposing a new schedule: Nominations Open: Monday February 12th; Nominations Close: Friday March 29th; Task Force Reviews Nominations: Monday April 1st - Friday April 12th; Awards Committee presents slate of awardees to MSLA Board by end of April; Awards announced by June 1; Finalizing dates for 2024 Awards; 2023 award recipients celebrated on Sunday, March 17 during conference lunch.
- Georgina: Shared MSLA is now a PDP provider! DESE meeting 01/24, two pieces of upcoming legislation and information about the Education Commonwealth Project.
- Forum: Luke and Michelle: Discussion about social media accounts, Ella can help set up, another Board member to take over managing; platform to help coordinate accounts and push messaging
- Liaisons: Jenna Wolf:
- Liaisons: PJ:
- Union liaison: Sue Doherty: Shared details on MTA forum on mental health, request to send emails to MA Legislature's Education Committee and discussion about Israel/Palestine book list. Sue attended MTA Forum for Retirees on "Libraries and Liberty" on January 3rd.
- Conference: Alix: 50 people registered, early bird rate through February 18th, schedule drafted, budget for Sched approved for conference, can also add sponsors. Georgina proposed a motion for an additional \$500 for the updated technology package in Sched, Alix seconded, motion passed unanimously.

### 3. Update from Advocacy Workshop:

- Suggestion from Georgina to add legal language to our bylaws; discussion about sponsors having access to our listserv.

### 4. Other items:

- MLS training forum: Barb to share registration information

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

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