

**Massachusetts School Library Association
Executive Board Meeting Minutes
March 4, 2017
Retreat Meeting, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm
Dartmouth Middle School Library, Dartmouth, MA**

Attendance (In person): Laura Gardner, Kathy Lowe, Amy Short, Deeth Ellis, Katherine Steiger, Ariel Dagan, Carrie Tucker, Jen Varney, Jen Thomas, Amy Bloom, Anita Cellucci, Meg O'Neill, Laura D'Elia, Kelly McManus, Reba Tierney

Attendance (Virtual): Ann Perham, Laura Luker, Cathy Collins, Chani Craig, Claudia Palframan, Laura Harrington, Leslie Lomasson

Consent Agenda

For what is currently in MSLA folder, missing Secretary reports.

Motion: Amy Short

Second: Amy Bloom

Motion Passed

At 2:55pm, the Secretary reports added and a vote was taken to accept them.

Motion: Katherine Steiger

Second: Amy Bloom

Motion Passed

Old Business

Bookmark Update - Ariel Dagan & Cathy Collins

- Augmented reality-Aurasma directions will be on website, 11 out of 12 bookmarks received have Aurasma.
- Pleased with online voting, over 4,176 votes cast, 187 towns participated.
- Jenna Morin and Linda Coviello and Ariel Dagan will be at Legislative Day. Almost all students winners will attend.
- Will be a follow-up with MSLA members on the process this year. Website has all this information, on the advocacy page.

Awards Update - Ann Perham & Amy Short

5 additional nominees that need to be voted on. Paperwork came in since last meeting.
(All in folder)

Motion: Laura D'Elia

Second: Katherine Steiger

All in favor and the motion passed.

- Open a dialogue about having a Paraprofessional Award
- Making the President's and Super Librarian's Award not based on region, just 6 winners overall.
- Eboard's assistance in presenting awards in person

Nominating Committee Updates - Carrie Tucker

Open: Area-Directors (Northeast, Southeast, Boston), Secretary and Treasurer

- E-mail will go out Monday to all members detailing election process, and to let all members know about openings.
- March 15th, slate to all board members for virtual approval.

New Business:

Survey Results- Anita Cellucci

- 24 responses
- 50% preferred in person & virtual (no retreat)
- Perhaps the survey question was misunderstood, may re-take
- 75% thought go-to meeting was a major improvement
- Only way to be equitable is to move location (Laura D'Elia)
- Go-to-meeting, no limits on usage. So, even area directors can use it for their meetings (Kathy Lowe)
- 43%-scheduled website updates, 39% reminders
- Divided results on retreats
- 79.2% felt they had enough guidance
- 100% PLC, 74.9% Advocacy, Literature and Research Liaisons- a lot of questions

Action Plans/Strategic Plan

- All plans should have been updated in docs

ESSA/Commission - Anita Cellucci

- Anita C. will check in with Commission, DESE and ESSA.
- DESE has an survey open about ESSA
- Anita C. and Pam Harland will offer an ESSA session at MSLA conference

School Library Licensure - Recruitment- Anita Cellucci

- Documents are on website (for those looking to become a school librarian)
- Find classroom teachers that are licensed and move them into Library land (Laura D'Elia)
- Happened in her district, so there is a librarian in her district who is a librarian with no actual library schooling (Carrie T)
- Does DESE understand the role of a librarian (Ariel)

- Shortage of well-qualified candidates (Deeth)
- Be proactive and contact teacher programs (Jen Varney)
- AASL- Develop a packet so people can go in and talk to teacher prep programs, and administrative programs (Amy S.)
- Have a list of school librarians available for people to visit (Laura G)
- Create a committee (keep things clear, and not muddled)
- MTA/ATF good partner? (Kathy L.)
- MA Superintendent's Conference (Claudia & Cathi will contact)
- Certification Option-Susan Ballard, Granite State (Deeth)
- Anyone interested in recruitment committee (Deeth, Reba are interested)

Other

Kathy Lowe's review is coming up, so send any comments to Anita Cellucci.

Next Meeting: May 17th
Think about Budget!

Updates

Twitter Chat Update- Wednesday, March 14th with MassCue

Carla Hayden visit- RSVP!

Bookmarks available! Take some! Check out the Aurasma and let Ariel & the committee know what you think!

Motion to Adjourn: Amy Short
Second: Laura D'Elia
Motion Passed

Meeting Adjourned: 3:00

Respectfully submitted,

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