



Advisory Council Minutes

Wednesday, July 11, 2018

8:30 - Continental Breakfast

9:00AM - 10:00AM

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Attendance:

Allison Mackley, Jennifer Bates, Cathi Fuhrman, Robin Burns, Allison Burrell, Shannon Resh, Bob McConnell, Leah Lindenmann

- I. Call to Order 8:57 am

- II. Introductions
 - A. Welcome Ann Schmidt- new Board member (appointed to fulfill Robin' Burns' term when she was elected as Vice-President)
 - B. Welcome Allison Burrell- secretary (appointed to fulfill Patricia McNeill's term after Patricia resigned)
 - C. President Allison Mackley reminded attendees to use full name of organization as much as possible, since people don't know what PSLA means.
 - D. Introductions were made around the room

- III. President's Welcome (Allison Mackley)
 - A. Amazing day yesterday
 - B. Outside facilitator was beneficial—not tied to ideas emotionally

- IV. Minutes (Allison Burrell)
 - A. Minutes from Conference meeting
 - B. Motion—Laura Ward, second- Bob McConnell
 - C. Approved

- V. Treasurer's Report (Shannon Resh)
 - A. 4th quarter and fiscal report will be presented to Board tomorrow (\$215,444.52)
 - B. Info packets for reimbursement for all committee chairs- Shannon Resh

- VI. AASL Report (Cathi Fuhrman and Allison Mackley - Pennsylvania Affiliate Representatives - Region 2; Robin Burns - Transition Training)
 - A. Ecosystem—strengthen partnerships between school and public libraries (MD example)
 - B. Collaborative- Rob Leshner and David Schappert (ALA)
 - 1. Strong cooperation (GAC)
 - 2. Goal—coordinate advocacy and PowerLibrary
 - 3. Make one consistent message
 - 4. Reciprocal reporting at Board meetings
 - 5. Cathi has pictures of other states' info
 - C. AASL support materials coming
 - 1. District Administration mag- 2 page spread
 - 2. LGBTQ guide (concern put forward by PA)
 - 3. Looking for publications centered on standards
 - D. Concerns about Affiliate Assembly—tabled until Midwinter
 - E. Allison Mackley will be Regional Rep for Region 2
 - F. Concerns
 - G. Open Discussion Forum- looking at governance process- 18 month process with focus groups
 - 1. Shared our new structure and response
 - 2. 2019 Annual—more discussion groups on proposed model
 - 3. Spring 2020- goal for final plan

VII. Committee Reports

- A. Awards (Lauren Strohecker/ Melissa Daugherty)
 - 1. 4th quarter—conference prep and PA Young Reader's Choice
 - a) Mother Bruce
 - b) Ghost
 - c) Awkward
 - d) The Sun is Also a Star
- B. Communications (Corey Hall/ Laura Ward)
 - 1. Corey Hall—new co-chair to replace Ann Schmidt who was appointed to fill an open Board position
 - 2. Co-chairs are working on learning the new website
 - 3. Posting to social media
 - 4. A number of new members
 - 5. Learn more about Memberclicks and website

6. Post pics of Award winners
- C. Conference (Caitlin Linsenmann/ Cathi Fuhrman)
1. Waiting on a few bills to be paid
 2. Made budget
 3. Good feedback from evals
 4. Met in June to debrief, review evals, begin planning 2019
 5. RFPs for 2023 (50th anniversary)
 - a) Visiting possible location
 6. Act 48—electronic worked
- D. Operations (Bob McConnell/ Vickie Saltzer)
1. Constitution and Bylaws—Peggy Mourer (Retired) to help Kate Palladino (and Resolutions)
 2. Nominations—putting together slate for secretary, 2 Board members, VP
- E. Teaching and Learning (Dustin Brackbill/ Kristin Crans)
1. Lit Review—leadership- new- Mary Alice Bond, looking for conference co-chair
 2. Upcoming standards
 3. Completed Toolkit for librarians whose positions were being challenged

VIII. Old Business

- A. LSTA Grant Update (Mary Kay Biagini)
1. Mini Regional Leaders Academy (MRLA)
 - a) 5th academy
 - b) 21 participants (37 applications, accepted 23)
 - (1) 7 are K-12 librarians
 - c) Shortened grant year
 - d) Virtual conferencing through Pitt
 - e) Meeting in Chambersburg in June
 - f) All have mentors
 - g) Personalized learning experience- will make presentations to admins when they get back to school- dress rehearsal at Summit meeting
 2. What I Need to Know Now Professional Development (WINKN)
 3. Communicator's Network
- B. Strategic Communications - Quantum Communications (Kevin Harley - presented at Strategic Planning Session - July 10, 2018)
- C. CSPG 48
1. 2004 to Feb. 1, 2017

- a) Paraprofessionals were in a separate document
- b) Jenn and Allison Mackley met with Kevin Harley, PDE, etc. to establish a draft of how to use the document
 - (1) Used data from Staffing Survey—focused on districts with no librarians

2. April 1, 2018

- a) Significant change—para may only work under supervision of certified school librarian, not just any teacher (but does not require physical presence- within district is OK)
- b) Still looking for definition of “school library program”
- c) Not ready to sanction districts that do not comply

D. Legislative Update

1. HB 740 - One Certified School Librarian in Every School

- a) Info from Kevin

2. National Library Legislative Day (submitted by Kelly Gustafson)

- a) Next year- in conjunction with ALA Annual (June 20-25, 2019)
- b) Reminded that we will pay for 2 reps to attend

E. PSEA Voice - Cover Story: The Hub of the School - State Education Editors’ Best News Story Award - John Troutman, PSEA

F. Other Old Business- none presented

IX. New Business

A. PSLA Strategic Plan for 2018 – 2020

- 1. Potential shift to 3 year plan instead of 4
- 2. Probably task group to develop- anyone interested should contact Jenn

B. LSTA Grant Submission - 2018 - 2019 (Jennifer Bates)- submitted June 29, 2018- Jennifer Bates and Allison Mackley looked over before submission- seemed much smoother than last year

1. Leaders Academies

- a) Developing Leaders Academy
- b) Aspiring Association Leaders Academy
- c) Revitalizing Leaders Academy
- d) Goal to create more affiliate groups

2. What I Need to Know Now (WINKN) Professional Development - AASL Standards

3. Network and News

- a) Staffing Survey

- C. *Guidelines for Pennsylvania School Library Programs* Revision- last revised in 2010
 - 1. Steering group has met
 - 2. Work group will be meeting in 2 weeks
 - a) All school levels
 - b) Other stakeholders
- D. Future Ready Librarians Framework
 - 1. Updated during ISTE
 - 2. Additional circle of “Literacy” in hub of framework
- E. ISTE Standards Crosswalk
 - 1. ISTE and Future-Ready
 - 2. AASL has created crosswalk- should be out in fall
 - a) ISTE
 - b) Future-Ready
 - c) AASL Standards
- F. ESSA Update (Eileen Kern)
 - 1. PA plan has been approved
 - 2. Need to know:
 - a) State Plans- link on PSLA website to AASL (ESSA and School Libraries)
 - (1) Resources & Information link
 - (2) 4 possible points of entry for school libraries (PA put under Title IV- Block grants, technology)
 - b) Grants
 - (1) Title II Literacy- apply
 - (2) Title IVA- Go through district to apply
 - (3) IAL- 30 day window (based on Title I status)
 - (a) Which districts in PA meet criteria??
 - (4) Grants Learning Center
 - (5) Tutorials
 - (6) Prep ahead of time so ready when window opens

Cathi Fuhrman moved to suspend the meeting at 10:04; the meeting was reconvened at 10:12.

- G. Office of Commonwealth Libraries Update (Susan Pannebaker)
 - 1. PowerLibrary—new databases (Gale) starting on Aug 1
 - a) Sirs Discoverer—did not bid, so will not be available

- b) Possible consortium pricing for ProQuest
 - c) O of CL wants to know how many schools do not have digital learning resources beyond PowerLibrary (possibly determining elementary and secondary separately)—possibly adding to Staffing Survey
 - 2. Public/ School cooperation
 - a) Family engagement (“Help I Have to Do a Report” idea—present at public library in fall
 - b) Other examples, especially at secondary level, share with Susan
 - c) 2 grants
 - (1) family engagement birth-grade 12
 - (2) Elementary—careers
 - (3) Out of school time
 - H. PSLA Local Affiliate Outreach
 - 1. Currently 3 in western PA, very active
 - 2. 2 will be starting on eastern side of state
 - 3. Operations will have task group to investigate
 - I. Recruitment - Board Members, Committee Chairs and Committee Members
 - 1. Emails were sent from committees chairs
 - J. Board Liaison and Committee Chair Procedures/ Responsibilities Guidelines
 - 1. Distributed as needed
- X. Planning for Summit
- A. Committee Chair Orientation
 - B. Committee Charges- reviewed for all
 - C. Reports and Forms
 - 1. Committee report form
 - 2. Budget request form
 - 3. Both due by 7:00 tonight
 - D. Ann Schmidt moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:25 am. Craig McFeely seconded the motion.
- XI. Future Dates
- A. PSLA Board Meeting - October 6, 2018 - Lancaster County Convention Center
 - B. ALA Midwinter Meeting - January 25 - 29, 2019 - Seattle, WA
 - C. PSLA Board Meeting - January 5, 2019 - TBD
 - D. PSLA Conference Board Meeting - March 28, 2019

- E. PSLA 46th Annual Conference - March 28 - 30, 2019 - Hershey Lodge & Convention Center, Hershey, PA
- F. PSLA Board Meeting - May 11, 2019 - TBD
- G. ALA Annual Conference - June 20 - 25, 2019 - Washington, DC
- H. PSLA Summit (Advisory Council & Summit) - July 9 - 11, 2019 - Hershey Lodge & Convention Center, Hershey, PA

SPECIAL UPDATE:

Mary Kay Biagini provided an LSTA update to the Advisory Council at 11:30 am

- Focus on “Connect, communicate, create community”
 - Connect
 - Communicators Network
 - Communicate
 - Monthly newsletter
 - AASL standards
 - Create community
 - Academies
 - \$340,000 total LSTA funds
 - 150 librarians between 2012-2108, 64% involved in more than 1 initiative
 - Approximately 2500 participants in initiatives