AASL Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
2017 ALA Annual Conference & Exhibition  
Board I - Friday, June 23, 2017  Hilton Chicago (Williford B)

Board Members Present:
President, Audrey Church  
President-Elect, Steven Yates  
Immediate Past President, Leslie Preddy  
Treasurer, Robbie Nickel  
Member-At-Large, Melissa Jacobs  
Member-At-Large, Devona Pendergrass  
Representative to Council, Diane Chen  
Region 1 Director, Pamela Harland  
Region 2 Director, Laura Hicks  
Region 3 Director, Linda Weatherspoon  
Region 4 Director, Pam Renfrow  
Region 5 Director, Wendy Stephens  
Region 6 Director, Kathryn Lewis  
Region 7 Director, Katie Williams  
Region 8 Director, Craig Seasholes  
Region 9 Director, Ann Schuster  
Affiliate Assembly Representative, Mona Batchelor  
ESLS Representative, Jody Howard  
ISS Representative, Robert Hilliker  
SPVS Representative, Sarah Searles  
Ex-Officio, Sylvia K. Norton, Executive Director

Guests:  
Ann Morgester, Region 8 Director  
Karen Downing, ALA Executive Board liaison

Staff Present:  
Deputy Director, Allison Cline  
Web Manager, Jen Habley  
Program Coordinator, Shannon Carter  
Editor, Meg Featheringham

1. **Call to Order/Roll Call**  
   President Audrey Church called the meeting to order at 1:05 after the Board had attended the AASL Affiliate Leadership Conference. Executive Director Sylvia K. Norton called the roll.

2. **Consent Agenda**  
   **MOTION** seconded by Jody Howard to approve the consent agenda.  
   >>APPROVED

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3. **ALA Executive Board liaison to AASL**
   Karen Downing, liaison from the ALA Executive Board provided talking points from the Executive Board and noted AASL’s questions on clarification for interacting with the political action committee, EveryLibrary.

4. **ACTION AGENDA**

   **Bylaw Change for Sections and Affiliate Policies**
   
   **MOTION** seconded by Devona Pendergrass to approve changes in the Bylaws to consider all policies and procedures of the Affiliate Assembly and Sections as AASL policies and therefore are submitted to, and approved by, the AASL Board of Directors.
   
   >>APPROVED
   
   All changes to Bylaws as approved will be proposed amendments to AASL Bylaws on the 2018 Ballot for member vote.

   **Bylaw Change KQ Representative to Leadership Development Committee**
   
   **MOTION** seconded by Diane Chen to approve a Bylaw change to have the Knowledge Quest representative to the Leadership Development Committee be appointed by the AASL President-Elect.
   
   >>APPROVED
   
   All changes to Bylaws as approved will be proposed amendments to AASL Bylaws on the 2018 Ballot for member vote.

   **Bylaw Change for Special Interest Groups**
   
   **MOTION** seconded by Robbie Nickel to approve a Bylaw change to eliminate Article XIII, section 2, 3 and modify 4 to move into the policy manual as procedure.
   
   >>APPROVED
   
   All changes to Bylaws as approved will be proposed amendments to AASL Bylaws on the 2018 Ballot for member vote.

   **FY18 Budget**
   
   **MOTION** seconded by Rob Hilliker to approve the FY18 budget
   
   >>APPROVED

   **National Institute Committee Sunset**
   
   **MOTION** by Katie Williams and seconded by Devona Pendergrass to sunset the National Institute Committee.
   
   >>APPROVED

   **AASL Policy Section G: Professional Development**
   
   **MOTION** seconded by Jody Howard to approve Policy Section G: Professional Development G1 – G16. Non-substantive changes were noted.
   
   >>APPROVED

   **AASL Policy Section H: State Affiliates**
   
   **MOTION** seconded by Linda Weatherspoon to approve Policy Section H: State Affiliates H1 – H6
   
   Non-substantive changes were noted. With approval of Policy H-6, President Yates will appoint a new sub-award committee for the Affiliate of the Year Award.
AASL Policy Section I: Editorial

MOTION seconded by Katie Williams to approve Policy Section: Editorial I1 through I17. Non-substantive changes were noted. Statement #1 under Non-Content will be updated if the Bylaws change is approved.

>>APPROVED

AASL Policy Section J: All Committees: Omnibus Section

MOTION seconded by Robert Hilliker to approve Policy Section J: All Committees: Omnibus Section J1-J15 Non-substantive changes were noted. The committee composition in J-4 2.2 will change if the proposed Bylaws change passes for the KQ representative to the Leadership Development Committee.

>>APPROVED

5. Executive Session
   MOTION to move to a closed executive session to discuss the evaluation of the executive director at 3:45pm
   >>APPROVED

6. MOTION to come out of executive session
   >>APPROVED

7. MOTION to Adjourn
   >>ADJOURNED
1. Call to Order/Roll Call
President Audrey Church called the meeting to order at 1:05pm. Executive Director Sylvia K. Norton called the roll.

2. Action Agenda, cont.

AASL Policy Section K: Affiliate Assembly
MOTION seconded by Jody Howard to approve Policy Section J: Committee Commissions K1-K15
Non-substantive changes were noted.
>>APPROVED

AASL Policy Section L: Sections
MOTION seconded by Robert Hilliker to approve Policy Section L: Sections L1
Non-substantive changes were noted.
>>APPROVED
AASL Policy Section N: Social Media
*MOTION* seconded by Pam Harland to approve Policy Section N: Social Media N-1
Non-substantive changes were noted.

>>APPROVED

AASL Policy Section O: Website
*MOTION* seconded by Katie Williams to approve Policy Section O: Website O-1.

>>APPROVED

With the approval of Policy G, H, I, J, K, L, N, and O, the AASL Policy Manual as outlined and approved by the Board of Directors at their Midwinter 2015 meeting has now been completed. It will be copyedited and formatted and reviewed for consistency and identification of gaps or updates as needed.

Policy Revision: Policy A-4 Endorsements
*MOTION* seconded by Jody Howard to approve revision to Policy A-4 Endorsements to allow for more flexibility when responding to requests from affiliates and other non-profit entities. Revisions include removing 2b & c from the current policy.

>>APPROVED

Policy Revision: Policy B-8
*MOTION* seconded by Linda Weatherspoon to approve revision to Policy B-8 requiring any Board of Director member nominated for election to the Executive Committee to have completed at least one year of their current Board term.

>>APPROVED

Policy Revision: Policy E-1 Nomination Process
*MOTION* seconded by Katie Williams to approve revision to Policy E-1 to reflect a change in Bylaws and updates to the nomination process and ALA elections.

>>APPROVED

ALA President Julie Todaro’s Presidential Initiative, School Library Group
Susan Ballard, Dorcas Hand, and Sara Kelly Johns presented the school librarian competencies as developed to date for Julie Todaro’s Expert in the Library presidential initiative.
*MOTION* made by Diane Chen and seconded by Wendy Stephens that AASL endorse the school librarian competencies based on the PSELS as developed for the Expert in the Library presidential initiative. AMENDED by Linda Weatherspoon and seconded by Craig Seasholes to endorse the school librarian competencies based on the PSELS in principle with the board to give feedback within a reasonable amount of time to the presenters.

>>APPROVED

National Conference Site Selection
AASL Meeting Planner, Melissa Jacobsen, presented options to the board for the site of the AASL 2023 National Conference.
*MOTION* by Katie Williams and second by Robbie Nickel to approve Tampa Bay, Florida as the 2023 National Conference site.

>>APPROVED

Operational Plan 2017 – 2019
*MOTION* seconded by Robbie Nickel to approve the Operational Plan to align with the Strategic Plan extension to June 2019.

>>APPROVED

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Social Media Recognition Commission
MOTION seconded by Jody Howard to establish a standing AASL Social Media Recognition Committee.
>>APPROVED

Social Media Recognition Criteria Changes
MOTION seconded by Linda Weatherspoon to approve recommendations from the Social Media Recognition Task Force for changes in the selection process.
>>APPROVED

3. Information Agenda

4. Gavel Exchange
   Appreciations were expressed and President Audrey Church passed the gavel to President-Elect Steven Yates.

5. MOTION to adjourn by Jody Howard and seconded by Rob Hilliker.
   ADJOURNED 5:07pm
1. **Call to Order/Roll Call**
   President Steven Yates called the meeting to order after a board luncheon and photos and welcomed new and returning members. Executive Director Sylvia K. Norton called the roll.

2. **Standards Revision**
   Marcia Mardis, Chair, Standards & Guidelines Editorial Board presented the work on revising the standards and guidelines for the *National School Library Standards for Learners, School Librarians, and School Libraries* to be launched at National in Phoenix.

   Mary Keeling, Chair, Implementation Task Force distributed a booklet on the work behind the plan and the professional development and activities to promote and market the new standards over the next few years.

   Stephanie Book, AASL Communications Manager, presented the mobile app that will be available for the new standards.

3. **Board Agreements**
   Board members reviewed and signed Conflict of Interest and Code of Conduct statements.

4. **ALA Connect**
   Pam Akins from the ALA ITTS staff presented on the new ALA Connect to be in place for use in August.

5. **Affiliate Assembly Communications**

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Affiliate Assembly Representative to the Board, distributed the concerns and commendations to be reviewed for action by the Executive Committee.

6. **Board Representative to the Leadership Development Committee**
   Nominations were made and Laura Hicks was approved as the board representative to the Leadership Development Committee.

7. **Board Representative to the Executive Committee**
   Nominations were made and Rob Hilliker was approved as the board representative to the Executive Committee.

8. **65th Campaign**
   Steven issued a personal challenge to the board to support AASL’s 65th Campaign. In the next 65 days, he will match up to $650 of board member contributions.

9. **MOTION to adjourn.**

   **ADJOURNED**