



AASL Board of Directors

**2005 ALA Annual Conference
Chicago, Illinois
June 23 - 29, 2005**

Session I

Board Members Present:	Dawn P. Vaughn, J. Linda Williams, Frances R. Roscello, Gene Hainer, Claudia Myers, Cassandra G. Barnett, Terri Kirk, Kathleen Ellis, A. Elaine Twogood, Sylvia Norton, Sara Kelly Johns, Dolores Gwaltney, Ann Martin, Melissa Johnston, Jo Ellen Misakian, M. Jan Weber, Joanne M. Proctor, Marilyn Joyce, Bobbie Nickel, Eloise Long.
Board Members Absent:	Elizabeth Haynes, Kathy Latrobe
Staff Present:	Julie Walker
Directors-Elect Present:	Irene Kwidzinski, Hilda K. Weisburg, Floyd C. Pentlin, Virginia Wallace, Alison Almquist, MaryAnn Harlan, Jim Hayden, Janice Ostrom
Directors-Elect Absent:	Patricia Bauer
Guests and Observers:	Betty Marcoux, Carolyn Cain, Eva Efron

Call to Order	Session one of the AASL Board of Directors meeting was called to order on Sunday, June 26, 2005, at 1:05 p.m. in room N138 of McCormick Place Convention Center, Chicago, Illinois by Dawn P. Vaughn, President. A quorum was present.
Changes to the Agenda	Agenda Items #5: Committee Reports (<i>Annual Report to Membership Handbook</i>), #12: Agreement with SOS/Syracuse, and #20: Adoption of the Strategic Plan were pulled from the consent agenda.
Motion Consent Agenda	A. Elaine Twogood moved to accent the consent agenda excluding items #5, #12, and #20. Seconded by Sylvia K. Norton. Motion carried.
Discussion	No onsite reports for Agenda Items #16: Nominations Procedures Task Force report or #17: National School Library Media Program of the Year (NSLMPY) Task Force Report.

Agenda Item #5
Committee Reports
(*Annual Report to the Membership Handbook*)

The AASL Board of Directors discussed amending the NSLMPY report included in the *Annual Report to the Membership Handbook*. Items of concern included financial implications, selling videos as downloadable from the internet, and the professional quality of videos.

Motion
Committee Reports

Cassandra G. Barnett moved to accept the committee reports as a whole. Seconded by Dolores D. Gwaltney. Motion carried.

Agenda Item #12
Agreement with SOS/
Syracuse

The AASL Board discussed the agreement with SOS/Syracuse including the launch of this project at the 2005 National Conference in Pittsburgh.

Motion
Agreement with SOS/
Syracuse

Jo Ellen Misakian moved to accept the Agreement with SOS/Syracuse report. Seconded by Terri G. Kirk. Motion carried.

Agenda Item #20
Adoption of the
Strategic Plan

The AASL Board discussed the adoption of the new Strategic Plan. In order to inform membership of the plan, it will be presented at the National Conference, a press release will be drafted for the website, and the plan will be presented to the state associations.

Motion
Adoption of the
Strategic Plan

Sylvia K. Norton moved, with great pride in the work accomplished, to accept the Strategic Plan through the goals and objectives. Seconded by Sara Kelly Jones. Motion carried.

Agenda Item #22
Ad Hoc Board
Committee Charged to
Assess Expanding
Influence within ALA

The Ad Hoc Board Committee charged with expanding influence within ALA presented their report. The committee looked low voter turnout during ALA elections and AASL member representation on various ALA governance bodies, including committees.

Agenda Item #23
ALA Public Awareness
Campaign Overview/
Questionnaire

An ALA committee was formed to discuss the direction of the ALA Public Awareness Campaign. The AASL Board discussed the need for AASL representation on this committee. The AASL Board identified the key issues the Campaign for American Libraries' wishes to focus on and discussed who within AASL could serve.

Motion
ALA Public Awareness
Campaign

Frances R. Roscello moved to send a letter to the ALA President requesting an AASL member be appointed to the Campaign for American Libraries' new committee. Seconded by Terri G. Kirk. Motion carried.

Agenda Item #24
@yourlibrary Special
Committee

The AASL Board looked at the ongoing development and future of the @yourlibrary Special Committee. Advocacy was a central concern. Through discussion, it was decided that the work of the Special Committee was finished and instead of changing its focus or establishing subcommittees, a new advocacy committee should be formed.

Motion
@yourlibrary Special
Committee

Terri G. Kirk moved to sunset the @yourlibrary Special Committee. Seconded by Joanne Proctor. Motion carried.

Break

The meeting broke at 2:40 p.m. and resumed at 3:03 p.m.

Board Address

Barbara Stripling, ALA Executive Board liaison to the division, addressed the Board regarding the ALA Strategic Plan. The AASL Board indicated that Goal Area I - Advocacy/Value of the Profession and Goal Area VI - Organizational Excellence should be given top priority.

She also described the charge and the composition of the ALA Task Force on School Libraries of which she is the chair.

Barbara also reported that Emily Sheketoff had indicated that the copyright project ran out of funds.

Barbara's term on the ALA Board will be ending. The AASL Board recognized the tremendous achievements Barbara has accomplished during her appointment.

Agenda Item #26
Report from Affiliate
Assembly

Agenda Item #26 – Report from Affiliate Assembly was deferred.

Agenda Item #25
Research and Statistics
Committee Proposal

Staff member Steven Hoffman presented three proposals for the AASL longitudinal survey. Executive Director Julie Walker gave a brief history of the project. The Board discussed, at length, the financial feasibility of long-term data collection. Suggestions were given as to ways to make the survey self-supporting in the future. The Board stressed the importance of collecting the data, especially with regards to advocacy.

The proposed content was discussed and the Board agreed to review content again if the project continues.

Motion
Research and Statistics
Committee Proposal

Dolores Gwaltney moved to direct the Research and Statistics Committee and the AASL staff to continue to pursue the feasibility of doing a longitudinal, national survey of school library programs in the United States. Seconded by A. Elaine Twogood. Motion carried.

Agenda Item #27
FY 06 Budget

The budget for Fiscal Year 2006 was prepared by staff.

The *Knowledge Quest* Editorial Board requested funds for a strategic planning retreat.

Motion
Fund a *Knowledge Quest*
Retreat

Frances R. Roscello moved to fund a *Knowledge Quest* retreat before or after a scheduled conference with a \$150 per participant stipend plus the cost of a catered meeting. Seconded by Terri G. Kirk. Motion carried with one abstention.

Discussion

The budget trend data causes a saw tooth pattern when graphed. This pattern is caused by the difference in revenue and expenditures in years containing the AASL National Conference. Another significant aspect of the budget is dues revenue which finances less than 30% of the division's operating costs.

Staff member Shelby Meyer reported on the status of the 2005 National Conference, stressing the importance of AASL and vendor relations. A significant number of attendees are new to the conference this year.

Motion
FY 06 Budget

Sylvia K. Norton moved to accept the budget as amended. Seconded by Cassandra G. Barnett. Motion carried.

Motion
Closed Session

A. Elaine Twogood moved to go into closed session. Seconded by Claudia M. Myers. Motion carried.

The AASL Board of Directors Meeting, Session I, went into closed session at 4:50 p.m.

Agenda Item #29
Motion
NCATE Board of
Examiners (BOE)
Appointment

Frances R. Roscello moved to recommend Gail K. Dickinson for reappointment to the NCATE Board of Examiners. Seconded by Ann M. Martin. Motion carried.

Motion
Adjournment

Terri G. Kirk moved to adjourn the AASL Board of Directors Meeting, Session I. Seconded by Kathleen Ellis. Motion carried.