



AASL Board of Directors Meeting Session II

Board Members Present:	Cyndi Phillip, Sara Kelly Johns, Dennis J. LeLoup, J. Linda Williams, Dolores D. Gwaltney, Ann M. Martin, Sylvia K. Norton, Eloise M. Long, Ann Petersen, A. Elaine Twogood, Irene Kwidzinski, Hilda K. Weisburg, Virginia L. Wallace, Patricia T. Bauer, Alison E. Almquist, Mary Ann Harlan, Janice C. Ostrom
Board Members Absent:	Floyd Pentlin, Jim Hayden
Directors-Elect Present:	Marilyn Z. Joyce, Rosina Alaimo, Karen Lemmons, Nancy Dickinson, Barbara Ray, Robbie Nickel, Linda Collins, Gail Formanack
Directors-Elect Absent:	Lynn Strickland
Staff Present:	Julie A. Walker, Kathy Agarwal, Beverley Becker, Brenda Dreier, Jennifer Habley

Call to Order	Session II of the AASL Board of Directors was called to order on Saturday, January 20 th , 2007, at 8:00 a.m. in the Adams room of the Westin Hotel in Seattle, Washington by Cyndi Phillip, President. A quorum was present.
Discussion Agenda Item 1: Consent Agenda	Agenda Item 21: Approval of Location for 2009 and 2011 National Conferences was moved from the consent agenda to the discussion agenda. No Child Left Behind Reauthorization was added onsite as Agenda Item 38.
Motion 1 Consent Agenda	The Board moved to accept the consent agenda as amended. Motion seconded and passed.
Discussion Agenda Item 21: Approval of Location for National Conferences	Meeting Planner, Brenda Dreier, presented site recommendations for the 2009 and 2011 AASL National Conferences. Board approval was sought for contracting Charlotte as the site for the 2009 National Conference and Minneapolis as the site for the 2011 National Conference pending receipt of all letters of support by ALA Chapters and AASL Affiliates.
Motion 2 Approval of Location for National Conferences	The Board moved to approve actions requested in report. Motion seconded and passed. National Conference site recommendations will be presented to the ALA Executive Board for approval at the spring executive meeting.
Discussion Agenda Item 27: Committee Restructuring: Implementation Recommendations	Linda Williams presented an update on the workings of the Strategic Plan Review of Committees Task Force. The task force is currently reviewing the functions and charges of all committees that will be absorbed into one of the two coordinating committees. The Bylaws and Organization Committee will be responsible for writing the charges for the new coordinating committees.



Discussion

Agenda Item 28:
Affiliate Assembly
Concerns

President Cyndi Phillip presented the actions taken by the Executive Committee regarding the concerns presented by the Affiliate Assembly during the ALA Annual Meeting 2006. Two task forces were created in response to the concerns – one to collect state guidelines that contain quantitative guidelines or formulas and a second charged with gathering, preparing and disseminating information on how a state affiliate can advocate for positions of State Department Consultants/Coordinators and District Supervisors of Library Media Programs. Both task forces began work at Midwinter.

Discussion

Agenda Item 30:
National Conference
Policy

Julie Walker, Executive Director, and Brenda Dreier, Meeting Planner requested the Board approve a formal policy on vendor meeting space requests at AASL National Conferences.

Motion 3

National Conference
Policy

The Board moved to approve the vendor meeting space policy as presented. Motion seconded and passed.

Discussion

Agenda Item 31:
Emerging Leaders

At the ALA Annual Conference, the AASL Board approved sponsorship of two school library media specialists accepted into the Emerging Leaders Initiative. Despite promotion on various email lists and news releases, AASL received very few applications. The Board agreed to continue AASL sponsorship through the initiative's second year with more promotion done through the ELMS section and the Affiliates. The Board also discussed the need for ascertaining the recipient's expectations regarding their future role in AASL.

Discussion

Agenda Item 32:
Spectrum Scholars

AASL has been an active supporter of this scholarship, having donated \$30,000 over a period of six years. However, very few school library media specialists have applied or been granted an award. Traditionally, very few school librarians have served on the selection committee. ALA President-Elect, Loriene Roy, has made inquiries into the composition of the committee. Future promotion of the scholarship will be made through the ELMSS email list.

Discussion

Agenda Item 33:
Identifying Potential
Leaders/Members

Cyndi Phillip and Julie Walker proposed the formation of a "potential member squad" which would identify influential and up-and-coming school library media specialists. A board subcommittee was formed consisting of Mary Ann Harlan (chair), Ann Petersen, Ann Martin, and Rosina Alaimo. The subcommittee will formalize the process and report back to the Executive Committee during Midwinter or at the spring executive meeting.

Discussion

Agenda Item 34:
FY08 Budget Priorities

At the fall meeting, the Executive Committee identified two priorities for the 2008 fiscal year budget: production of materials related to guidelines and standards and implementation of new guidelines and standards.

Discussion

Agenda Item 35:
Mission of the School
Library Media Program

At the Board Workshop on January 19th, the Board reviewed suggestions made by the Vision Summit attendees regarding the mission of the school library media program. A Board subcommittee consisting of Sara Kelly Johns (chair), Hilda Weisburg, Ann Martin, Dennis LeLoup, and Irene Kwidzinski was formed and charged with reviewing and revising the mission. The subcommittee will report back to the Executive Committee at the spring meeting.



Discussion

Agenda Item 36:
Resolution on Balanced
Representation

At the 2006 Midwinter Meeting in San Antonio, the Board approved a resolution calling for balanced representation of all library types on ALA committees. Due to changes already in progress, this resolution was revisited at the 2006 Annual Conference in New Orleans. A motion to rescind failed and further action on the resolution tabled. Through discussion, consensus was made that the Division Councilor be responsible for fact checking, revising, and presenting the resolution.

Motion 4

Resolution on Balanced
Representation

The Board moved to defer the action on the Resolution on Balanced Representation with the provisions that: 1) the Division Councilor be given the freedom to redraft the resolution in order to ensure the facts of the resolution still hold and 2) that the Division Councilor decide when and if the resolution will be brought forward. Motion seconded and passed.

Discussion

Agenda Item 25:
National Library Agenda

Dawn Vaughn, an AASL Past President, answered questions about the proposed National Library Agenda, an initiative begun by ALA President Leslie Burger. Vaughn served on the planning committee which developed the agenda. One of the suggestions of this planning group was the creation of a workbook that national, state, and local advocacy groups can utilize to form talking points. The Board will pass the workbook to the AASL Legislation Committee to draft SLMS specific bullet points for inclusion. AASL President Cyndi Phillip represented the division at a national library agenda summit held in December in Washington, DC.

Discussion

Agenda Item 37:
Speaking for AASL

A reminder was given that the division has designated speakers for the organization. The ALA Public Information Office should be the point of first contact. PIO will then forward the inquiries to the AASL President or Executive Director, as appropriate. In order to increase communication out to members, the Executive Committee will be responsible for compiling the key points discussed at each Board Meeting for distribution via *Hotlinks*.

Discussion

Agenda Item 38:
NCLB Reauthorization

Linda Williams, Past President, addressed the Board regarding the upcoming No Child Left Behind Reauthorization. In order for the SLMS voice to be heard and added under the category of educator, support needs to be shown for the legislation. A task force, charged with planning a campaign much like the 'Get Out the Vote,' was formed. Volunteers for the task force included Linda Williams (chair), Ann Martin, Sylvia Norton, and Virginia Wallace.

Motion 5

NCLB Reauthorization

The Board moved that the President appoint a task force to work in conjunction with the Legislative Committee to develop an implementation plan complete with talking point materials to support a grassroots legislative effort for the inclusion of SLMS in No Child Left Behind. Motion seconded and passed.

Discussion

Agenda Item 26:
Mega Issue Discussion

The Board continued its discussion from the ALA Midwinter Meeting 2006 on "How does the profession remain viable in the future?"

Motion 6

Adjourn

The Board moved to adjourn. Motion seconded and passed.

Guest Addresses:

- ALA Treasurer Candidate, Rod Hersberger.
- ALA Presidential Candidate, Nancy Davenport
- ALA Presidential Candidate, Jim Rettig
- ALA BARC Liaison, Audra Caplan
- ALA Executive Board Liaison, Terri Kirk