



**ALSC Online Board Meeting – June 25, 2021  
FINAL Minutes as of August 12, 2021**

**Attendees**

**Board Members:** Kirby McCurtis, Africa Hands, Amber Creger, April Mazza, Ariana Hussain, Cecilia McGowan, Elisa Gall, Kim Patton, Lucia Gonzalez, Maggie Jacobs, Soraya Silverman-Montano, Meredith Steiner, Sujei Lugo

**Staff Members:** Aimee Strittmatter, Alena Rivers, Angela Hubbard, Anne Michaud, Elizabeth Serrano, Jordan Dubin

**Guests:** Amy Seto Forrester, Amy Koester, Amy Sears, Georgina Rivas-Martinez, Maria McCauley, Melissa Stovall, Nina Lindsay, Robbin Friedman, Sada Mozer, Tanya Prax, Tori Ann Ogawa, Tracie Hall

**Proceedings**

- Meeting called to order at 1:01 p.m. by President Kirby McCurtis
- Board agreed to hold the meeting in an informal manner and within the guidelines of the ALSC Community Agreements document
- Agenda approved
- Meeting adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

**MOTION: move to accept the agenda, motion passed.**

**MOTION: move to approve the board meeting minutes from June 7, 2021, motion passed.**

**Discussion**

**ALA Executive Board Liaison**

ALA Executive Board Liaison, Maria McCauley was in attendance to provide updates and take questions from ALSC Board members. Maria provided updates regarding ALA's Operating Agreement, Pivot Strategy, membership numbers, Forward Together Working Group Resolutions for Council, and continuing budget work.

**Membership Committee Proposal**

Membership committee co-chairs, Tanya Prax and Amy Seto Forrester were in attendance to discuss their committee's proposals for new member funding and relief renewal. ALSC Membership and Marketing Specialist, Elizabeth Serrano, presented slides outlining the proposals.

**MOTION: move that the board extended a second year of ALSC membership to the identified 20 members, motion passed**

**MOTION: move that the board approve the changes to the relief renewal program to sunset the relief renewals effective 07/01/2021 and approve Friends of ALSC funding for BIPOC mentors and mentees through the existing 2021 mentorship cohort, motion passed.**

### **Budget Narrative**

Budget committee chair, Robbin Friedman was in attendance to discuss budget reports, summaries and additional documents including their committee's recommendations. The board was reminded that close of Fiscal Year 2020 has not been audited so there is no net asset balance to start Fiscal Year 2021. Robbin presented an overview of their committee's report including a review of the FY20 close, FY21 2nd quarter, FY22 proposed budget, and ALSC endowments.

**MOTION: move that the board accept recommendations 1 & 2 as presented in budget committee document 7C, motion passed.**

**MOTION: move that the board accept the budget committee's recommendation to sunset the Friends of ALSC Professional Development category and to initiate an Equity Initiatives category, motion passed**

### **ALSC Board Member Transition**

The transition of incoming board members and outgoing board members would typically happen during the in person meeting. As the meeting is being held virtually this year the transition of the board will occur on July 1, 2021 which is the official term start date for all incoming members and the transfer of roles between Vice President, President and Past President. Appreciation was expressed to outgoing members Cecilia McGowan, Elisa Gall, Africa Hands and Sujei Lugo for their years of service on the ALSC Board. Incoming members Amy Koester Sada Mozer, Tori Ann Ogawa and Georgina Rivas-Martinez were welcomed to the ALSC Board.

### **Old Business**

#### **LibLearnX Award and Notable Meetings**

The board is continuing its discussion around required meeting attendance for award and notable committee members in relation to the introduction of ALA's LibLearnX conference that is replacing the Midwinter Meeting. ALSC Awards Coordinator, Jordan Dubin presented a slide outline of the current timeline proposals for the 2022 award and notable committees regarding their attendance at LibLearnX 2022. Policies and for future award committees, 2023 and beyond were also discussed.

**MOTION: move that the board approve the recommended plan for award committees to do pre-work and LibLearnX for one day to deliberate, motion passed.**

**ACTION: As soon as possible revisit the conversation about Notable Children's Books after July 1.**

### **Electoral Process Efficiencies**

The board continued its discussion of the Board Action Form regarding Electoral Process Efficiencies. Chair of the 2021 Nominating and Leadership Committee was in attendance again to continue the discussion and answer additional questions from the board.

**ACTION: Continue discussion on Connect where Nina Lindsay will monitor for questions. Revisit discussion after July 1 in July board meeting.**

**Executive Session**

**ALSC Awards Program Review**

**ACTION: The board is continuing their discussion of Awards Program Review Task Force recommendations and a continued discussion will be scheduled.**

**MOTION: move to adjourn, motion passed.**