2019 January Executive Board Meeting Minutes

Saturday, January 26, 2018, 8:30 am PST (Local Time in Seattle WA)

Executive Board Members Present: Ana Elisa de Campos Salles, Megan Drake, Cat Walker, Jen Maguire-Wright, Sukrit Goswami, David Isaak, Casey McCoy-Simmons, Anne Moore, Lisa Johnston & Ann Symons, Liz DeCoster

Other Attendees: Briana Jarnagin, Allan Kleiman, Deb Sica, Andrew Grissom, Thomas Maxheimer, Carlos Fernandez. Yvonne Dooley, Julius Jefferson, Lance Warner, & Andrew Pace were also in attendance for a period of time to introduce themselves to the board.

Lance Werner, ALA Presidential candidate introduced himself to the board at 8:35 am.

Julius C. Jefferson Jr – ALA Presidential Candidate introduced himself to the board at 9:33 am.

Andrew K. Pace – ALA Treasurer Candidate introduced himself to the board at 9:42 am.

1. Call to Order

Ana Elisa de Campos Salles called the meeting to order at 8:30 am. Afterwards, all the board members and the attendees did introductions.

2. Approval of Agenda & Minutes

Two items were added on to the **agenda** for the January 2019 Executive Board Meeting. The items were: ODLOS Report, and RTCA Report

Minutes of December 2018 Executive Board Meeting were approved after correcting Casey McCoy-Simmons name.

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4. GLBTRT Councilor Report

Ann provided her monthly councilor report to the board. She informed the board that there has been some concern in the council about the wording of our Transgender bathroom resolution. It was decided that from here on forth, the resolution will use the words "Diverse Gender Identities". Discussion followed to modify a few other whereas and resolved clauses, and the document was updated to reflect these changes.

GLBTRT took action and voted to approve the resolution coming to Council.

5. Treasurer's Report and Budget Planning

Liz DeCoster provided the monthly Treasurer Report to the board. (*Please see attached*) Liz also discussed with the board suggestions for 2020 budget. (*Please see attached*)

The board discussed about the possibility of using some funds to fund LGBTQ spectrum scholars. Briana Jarnagin will look into this and get back to us.

Liz recommended that we start financial planning for 2020 social and jubilee, and set aside funds for these events.

6. GLBTRT Archive Project Ad Hoc Committee Update

Ana Elisa informed the board that Amelia has updated the Ad Hoc committee page. There are new links already added on the page.

7. GLBTRT Committee Mergers

Ana Elisa & Jen Maguire-Wright continued the discussion on committee mergers. Last time the board voted to merge these committee was during ALA annual 2018 in New Orleans. As per the ALA guidelines, a second vote is needed to confirm the mergers. The committees in question are: a) Advocacy & Resources, b) News & Reviews, c) Making Bylaws committee an Ad-Hoc committee.

Sukrit Goswami moved the motion to merge a) Advocacy & Resources, b) News & Reviews, c) Making Bylaws committee a Ad-Hoc committee. Lisa Johnston & Jen Maguire-Wright seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

8. GLBTRT Social, Annual 2019

Ana Elisa is working with Nick Brown to book a location for DC social.

9. 50th Anniversary Golden Jubilee Ad-hoc Committee Update

David informed the board that the work will begin immediately after this midwinter meeting. Currently the committee is in the brainstorming mode, and it will need more people that can assist with gala preparations, including fundraising assistance. Briana will be finding out how ALA can assist with the fundraising. It was discussed if a keynote speaker is necessary for our gala event. The majority of the board liked the idea of having a keynote speaker for the event. All other details will be finalized at ALA Annual in DC.

10. Updating GLBTRT Bylaws

Board discussed updating of the GLBTRT Bylaws for the Spring Ballot.

11. ALA Executive Board's Liaison Report

Trevor Dawes was unable to attend the meeting. The report was sent in earlier for the minutes. Please see attached two documents: "Executive Board Liaison Report".

12. FTR (Freedom To Read) Foundation Update

Allan Kleiman (GLBTRT liaison to FTRF) gave an update on FTR. He informed the board that FTR is an independent organization with its own funding, and have its own membership. Allan mentioned that lately there have been challenges to "Drag Queen Story Time" at various places. It looks like these issues are not going away. Lot of the issues FTR deals with affect LGBTQ community.

13. GLBT Book Month

Megan started the discussion and mentioned that we never heard back from Rupal, so it's time to explore who else we can invite. It was decided that LGBTQ authors will be perhaps the best choice for us. The board discussed a few names and decided to give 4 choices to advocacy committee.

14. ODLOS & RTCA Report

Briana Jarnagin gave an update on ODLOS affairs to the board.

Jen informed the board that she attended ODLOS meeting. Everyone is encouraged to attend YMA (Youth Media Awards) event at the Midwinter. It was also encouraged that the members attend the "Future of Midwinter" meeting on Monday, at 1 pm.

15. Executive Session

The board went into the executive session for GLBTRT Awards Deliberation. After a productive discussion board made a decision that will be revealed to the membership during GLBTRT social.

16. Announcements/Adjournment

The executive board meeting was adjourned at 11:36 am.