Rainbow Round Table Executive Board Minutes January 2023

Meeting via Zoom

Present: Chair: Dontaná McPherson-Joseph, Chair-Elect: Nadia Orozco-Sahi, Past-Chair:

Kathleen Breitenbach, Secretary: Lea Wentworth, Treasurer: LaJuan Pringle, RT Councilor:

Erin Berman, Director at Large: Amy Dodson, Director at Large: Samuel Rumore, Director

at Large: Nicholae Cline, Ann Symons, Past Chair and Gala Organizer,

Monday January 9th 12 pm PT/1 pm MT/2:00 pm CT/3:00 pm ET

1. Call to Order 2:07 Pm (CT)

Item facilitator: Dontaná McPherson-Joseph

2. Approval of Agenda & Minutes

Action: Approve agenda for January 2023 Executive Board Meeting

Approve the minutes of December 2022 Executive Board Meeting

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Vote: Approved

3. Review of Update from ALA Executive Board

Posted in Connect by Ana Elisa De Campos Salles and saved <u>here.</u> She has asked if we

have anything we want taken to ALA Exexutive Board. (None at this time)

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4. LibLearnX Plans

Action: Information

Urban South Brewery and City Park Rental options were discussed. Howlin' Wolf Venue has stopped returning e-mails. City Park Pavilion is more expensive, and further from the convention center. Favoring Urban South. Lea Will follow up.

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5. Gala at Annual Update

Action: Information

Sunday night of Annual. Ann's main concern was how it will be set up that ALA conference Attendees can access tickets. RRT members can reserve a free ticket and non RRT members can purchase a ticket. LaJuan can work with Kevin to set this up. Cengage has agreed to a 5,000 dollar sponsorship, so the budget is good. We don't have a great way to estimate how many paid tickets will be sold. We have contracts with the Museum MCA and with the catering company which is a separate entity. The cost for the catering has gone up since 2019, but should still be fine with the budget in light of the Cengage sponsorship. Every guest will receive one drink ticket. We will have to staff a check-in desk. We may ask NMRT if they can get volunteers for this this can be arranged after registration for the conference opens. All told this Gala will probably cost about \$3000.00 from RRT funds but this is an estimate. Honorary invitations to Original Committee members. Honored Guests will not need tickets.

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6. Announcements/Other Business/Adjournment

Action: Information

Lea would still like to find out how to access meeting recordings (ask Kevin). Dontaná- RRT needs Chair-elect nominations for spring elections. Nominations are due soon (unsure when, March 13?). Election nomination form: https://airtable.com/shrqjR1TLBLKusuQF
Dontaná will share on membership Connect. We will need to set up a closed session consult with GODORT members- possibly at February RRT Exec Board Meeting- Dontaná will email an update.

Samuel- Proposal for ALA Conference program on book banning was accepted! (yay!!!)

Meeting Adjourned at 2:55 pm (CT)

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