2018 November Executive Board Meeting Minutes

Friday, November 16, 2018, 12:00 pm EST

Members Present: Ana Elisa de Campos Salles, Megan Drake, Cat Walker, David Isaak, Ann Moore, Jen Maguire-Wright, Liz DeCoster, Sukrit Goswami, & Ann Symons.

1. Call to Order

Ana Elisa called the meeting to order at 12:01.

2. Approval of Agenda & Minutes

The **agenda** for the November 2018 Executive Board Meeting was approved without any changes. **Minutes** of October 2018 Executive Board Meeting will be handed out later.

3. Treasurer's Report and Budget

Liz informed that there is no updated report available at this time. Liz will be forwarding the report when she has more information on the financial reports from ALA office.

4. GLBTRT Councilor Report

Ann Symons discussed IFC working group's meeting room draft and concern over the Transgender issue resolution at midwinter;

- a) IFC Working Group Meeting Room Draft was discussed. Ann informed that she hasn't seen very many comments on the draft. Looks like people are satisfied with the new draft and no concerns are being raised.
- b) Concern over Transgender issues and rights: Do we want to do a resolution at midwinter? It was decided to wait until the next meeting to see where we are at that time.

5. GLBTRT Name Change

Ana Elisa informed the board that she has confirmation that we can have options on the ballot. It was also confirmed that we will need a simple majority for a successful vote.

The board was informed that we will do everything we can to make sure everyone is aware of what's coming and when the vote will be to encourage members to vote on their choice. Board discussed that once the name is changed, we will have to make sure this change is reflected at all forums, and all the legal aspects will be taken care of including "copy right" and "trade mark".

6. Bylaws Update

Ana Elisa talked about importance of updating the bylaws to reflect newly formed stonewall committees etc. Importance of term limits on the committees and also that these term limits are following ALA bylaws was discussed. Jen advised that we inform the office about the committee changes etc.

7. Update on GLBTRT Social in Seattle, MW 2019

Ana Elisa informed that we still haven't heard back from the manager on the agreed upon date. Ana Elisa will be sending an email to them after the meeting. It was decided to follow up with the Queer bar again. Looks like we will have to move on and pick a different location.

8. GLBTRT T-shirts: Next sales period - logistics

Ana Elisa reported that we haven't heard any bad feedback about the design change and the T-shirt sales. We are still planning on selling the leftover old T-shirts on a discounted price.

9. Book List and Book Award Workflow

Ana Elisa brought it to board's attention that the committee is still receiving boxes full of books. The committee is concerned about the work flow and the deadline to at least a six-month backlog. It was discussed that the book list committee is the one that is having most of the trouble. It was suggested to perhaps adjust the dates and change the deadlines. How can we make it clear to publishers that they should stop bombarding the committee volunteers with books? Another idea was floated that the publication date could be considered. Another alternative is that they could change the committee term. Is Stonewall committee is also having the same issue? After checking ALA resources it was discovered that Rainbow committee does mirror Stonewall committee's terms. Ana Elisa mentioned that we will be looking into this more to see how we can assist the committee, and we will include the chairs of the committee.

10. Announcements/Adjournment

Ana Elisa will be sending out the information on room assignments to assist the members to plan their schedules in midwinter.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:55.

The next meeting will be on December 21st, 2018 at 12 pm (EST)