

2015 April Executive Board Meeting Agenda & Minutes

April 9, 3 pm CST

Location: Conference Call

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Attendees: A. Symons, P. Coyl, A. de Campos Salles, R. Hansen, D. McNeill, and M. Townley

Guests: J. Winkelstein, J. Amundsen

1. Call to Order and Introductions

Action: Callers present should introduce themselves.

Item Facilitator: Ann Symons

Vote: N/A

Supporting Information:

Minutes: Callers were introduced.

2. Approval of Agenda

Adopt agenda for the April 2015 Executive Board meeting.

Item Facilitator: Ann Symons

Vote: N/A

Supporting Information: <http://connect.ala.org/node/237566>

Minutes: The agenda was approved.

3. Approval of Previous Board Meeting Minutes

Action: Approve minutes from March 2015 Executive Board meeting.

Item Facilitator: Ann Symons

Vote: N/A

Supporting Information: <http://connect.ala.org/node/237097>

Minutes: The previous board meeting minutes were approved.

4. Letter to the ALA Executive Board regarding Indiana

Action: Update and discussion

Item Facilitator: Peter Coyl

Vote:

Supporting Information: ALA has issued a statement regarding Indiana's Religious Freedom Restoration Act. This agenda item may change. ALA President Courtney Young releases statement regarding Indiana's new Religious Freedom Restoration Act <http://www.ala.org/news/press-releases/2015/03/ala-president-courtney-young-releases-statement-regarding-indiana-s-new>

Minutes: This item is already complete. Ann mentioned that GLBTRT had been included in all drafts of this letter and had opportunities for input. Most of the important statements that the RT intended to make were part of the final letter. Peter C. wrote an excellent paragraph about the responsibility of libraries and librarians. Overall, a good cross section of membership was included in the process of drafting this letter.

5. Treasurer's Report

Action: Update & Discussion

Item Facilitator: Dale McNeill

Vote: N/A

Supporting Information: Update of any financial statements since Midwinter 2015

Minutes: Dale is currently working on a fundraising committee letter. ALA will send this letter so that it reaches a larger audience than it would through just the listserv. Currently, the Endowment has a net asset balance of \$235,009. Stonewall seals were replenished, so there will be some printing costs. It will take several months for royalties from the June is GLBT Book Month posters and bookmarks to start appearing in our budget reports. (The RT DOES NOT pay to print these materials, but DOES receive a royalty for the sales.)

6. June is National GLBT Book Month

Action: Update

Items Facilitator: Ann Symons

Vote: N/A

Supporting Information: ALA has filed a trademark request for June is GLBT Book Month. The June is GLBT Book Month poster is available for sale from ALA: <http://alastore.ala.org/GLBTbookmonth>

During the ACRL Conference in Portland a group met discuss how we get from now until June [and beyond] in rolling out June is GLBT Book Month.

At the meeting: Courtney Young, ALA President, Mary Ghikas, ALA Senior Associate Executive Director, Peter Coyl [by phone], Peter Hepburn, GLBTRT Councilor and ALA Executive Board Member, Lisa Johnston, GLBTRT Board Member, John Amundsen, GLBTRT Staff Liaison, Martin Garner, GLBTRT Member and Co-Chair of the ALA Task Force on Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion, Derrick Jefferson, GLBTRT member and 2015 Emerging

Leader. Also involved in this initiative is Kim Olsen-Clark, ALA Director of Development. A written report will follow before next week.

Minutes: There was a very productive ACRL meeting from those already attending the ACRL conference. Courtney Young attended the meeting and she was willing to provide \$2,000 from her own budget to hire a temporary, contract employee to help create a long range plan for June is GLBT Book Month. The RT is in the process of creating a letter about June is GLBT Book Month to be sent to outside organizations.

7. ALA Annual 2015 Social and 45th Anniversary Annual Celebration Brainstorm

Action: Information

Item Facilitator: Dale McNeill

Supporting Information: Update of any information about the social or plans for 45h Anniversary Celebration since MW discussion.

Update on Requests to co-sponsor GLBTRT Social with Spectrum at ALA Annual

Minutes: Ana Elisa reported that the Spectrum Scholars were willing to donate up to \$2,000 toward the Social. A rough estimate of 20-100 Spectrum Scholars are expected to attend. It is being confirmed that the space is big enough to potentially hold this number plus the average number of RT members and guests. A letter is being drafted from the RT to the Spectrum Scholars inviting current and past scholars to the Social. The co-sponsorship of the Social with the Spectrum Scholars was approved in concept, provided that the physical space was large enough to accommodate the number of potential attendees.. Kudos were given to Ana Elisa for her hard work in this endeavor.

8. Report on GLBT Toolkit from the Ad-Hoc Advocacy Committee

Action: Information/Discussion

Item Facilitator: Julie Winklestein

Vote: N/A

Supporting Information: <http://connect.ala.org/node/237565>

Minutes: The final draft toolkit was presented to the executive board. At 26 pages, it was significantly longer than most of the online ALA toolkits, which are 8 pages on average. There is enough information in this document to be pulled into a smaller toolkit. There is only two week turnaround to get the toolkit to ALA production services. For print copies of 1,000, the cost will be \$1,200. According to John A., the cost of printing decreases with the increased number of copies. There is currently money available for the design costs. The finished product could result in a print ready PDF and a downloadable PDF. The executive board wishes to thank the Ad-Hoc advocacy committee for their hard work and recognize their efforts. The executive board will now take charge of this matter since time is limited between now and Annual.

9. Informal Reports by Board Members – Liaisons to GLBTRT Committees (10 minutes)

Action: Discussion

Item Facilitator: Ann Symons

Vote: N/A

Supporting Information: Board members are requested to check in with their committee and report as necessary.

YALSA report from Ana Elisa de Campos Salles

<http://connect.ala.org/node/237096>

Minutes: Aside from Ana Elisa's report on Connect, there were no informal reports.

10. Announcements:

Action:

Item Facilitator: Anyone

Vote: N/A

Supporting Information:

Future Meeting Times: May and June

GLBTRT Conference calls for May and June will be on the following dates:

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

New dates for May, June calls are:

Thursday May 7 at 3 PM CDT, and

Thursday June 18 at 4 PM CDT

Minutes: Melody announced that she had been in Indiana for the Easter holiday and had personally seen "This business serves everyone" signs in the Indianapolis airport.

11. Adjournment

Action: The meeting will be adjourned.

Item Facilitator: Ann Symons

Vote: N/A

Supporting Information:

Minutes: The meeting was adjourned at 4 pm CST.