

# Nebraska Library Association

## Board of Directors Meeting

### Agenda

Date/Time of Meeting: Thursday, March 14 at 1:30 p.m.

Meeting Location: Zoom

Virtually: [Zoom Link](#)

Present: Ginger Jelinek, Kelly Warehime, Tammi Thiem, Monica Tidyman, Deb Robertson, Shelby Brodersen, Wyatt Packard, Brenda Ealey, Joyce Melvin, Lane Gibson, Michael Straatmann, Nancy Novotny, Lisa Mount, Cali Biaggi, Amy Dissmeyer, Lacey Partlow

#### A. Call to Order

1. Call for Consent Agenda Items
2. Approval of the agenda - approved by consensus
3. Approval of minutes from [February 8, 2024 board meeting](#)
4. [Treasurer's Report](#)
  - a. Insurance has been costing \$850/year when the budget only allocates \$500 for insurance. So the budget will need to be amended, or a note should be added for next year to increase that line.
  - b. Legacy fund money - carry-over funds. Per Amy, just note in minutes where money will be spent and put on the NLA Legacy Fund column of the Treasurer's Report.

#### C. New Business

1. Executive Committee Update/meeting recap
  - a. On Monday exec met to make sure we had agenda and treasurer's report ready, and then things listed in old business.
2. Legislative update - LB441 - Brent Smoyer
  - a. Wyatt - scheduled on Tuesday, budget discussions have taken up a lot of time. Brent was at Advocacy yesterday. Will likely make it to the floor Friday, Monday, or Tuesday. Albright's priority bill. Advocacy one-click has sent over 300 emails to senators.
  - b. LB635 also oppose, database bill. No movement currently. Advanced out of committee. Albright might attempt to alter it to an education bill. 3 of the senators who support LB441 will be at Advocacy Day lunch. The Communications department will be working on talking points for those attending. Ginger will send a list of Senators who've RSVP'd.
3. 2024 Advocacy Day Registration/info/updates
  - a. 81 registered, plus award recipients and senators. Lieutenant Governor Kelly will be there, Ginger asked him to say a few words. Nine award recipients.
  - b. Two sponsors at \$500 level, Baker & Taylor and OverDrive. ALA \$200 donation.
4. [Executive Director Report](#) - Ginger Jelinek
  - a. Can also see a lapsed membership report if the board is interested. Lane said yes.
  - b. Increase in membership guessing because of Advocacy Day.
  - c. Lincoln Community Foundation sets guidelines for scholarship application. Lane - hoping to promote this scholarship more to promote NLA. Masters degree only.

## D. Old Business

### 1. 2024 Conference Planning Update

- a. Lane - Met with the Program selection group, ready to get the program selection form out. Working on exhibitors. Have a list of suggestions for guests. Nancy - only room for 30 exhibitor booths in the room. Can fit 15 in a different room without the pipe and drape. Cap of 45 vendors which is what they are shooting for. Can also charge one vendor extra \$500 for 5 minutes at the beginning of lunch.

### 2. 2025 Conference

- a. [Proposal from Younes](#)
- b. [Proposal from NIC](#)
  - i. Ginger - they are getting asked from other groups for the same dates, so they'd like to hear back from us this week.
  - ii. Wyatt - too expensive
- c. [Proposal from Holthus Convention Center](#)
  - i. Deb - it would be fun to have it in York, but not as much nightlife.
  - ii. Nancy - if we're paying less for the location maybe we could spend more on fun events.
  - iii. Lane - out of three choices, York is top choice
  - iv. Overall attendance 200-250, last year 125 at lunch
- d. No for NIC, Ginger will let them know.
- e. Younes holds our dates.
- f. Voted yes for York in 2025

### 3. Continued transition discussion

- a. [Proposed Transfer of Duties](#)
- b. Website discussion
  - i. Lane suggested different membership platforms that are free:
    1. <https://www.admidio.org/>
    2. <https://www.tendenci.com/>
- c. Brenda - maybe test out adding these duties first before making too many changes.
- d. Having sessions with Ginger to train everyone on things. They can also be recorded.
- e. [Timeline for Action](#) - Wyatt
  - i. Can change bylaws all at once, to change membership rate.

### 4. Adjourned at 2:49pm

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

### D. General Reports

1. MPLA Representative - Michael Straatmann
2. AFCON Representative - Wyatt Packard
3. [ALA Councilor](#) - Amy Dissmeyer
4. [Executive Director Report](#) - Ginger Jelinek
5. Affiliate and Associate Reports
  - a. [NSLA](#)
  - b. NLC
6. Lobbyist - Andy Pollock

### E. Section Reports

1. [College & University](#) – Cali Biaggi
2. Public Library & Trustee – Monica Tidyman
3. School, Children's & Young People – OPEN

#### F. Round Table Reports

1. Intellectual Freedom – Cal Harman
2. [New Member Round Table](#) – Lacey Partlow
3. Technical Services Round Table – Joyce Melvin

#### G. Interest Group Reports

1. Tiny & Mighty - Joy Kyhn
2. Information Technology and Access - OPEN
3. Diversity – Lane Gibson

#### H. Standing Committee Reports

1. [Advocacy](#) – Deb Robertson
2. Auditing – Amy Dissmeyer
3. By-Laws & Handbook – Lane Gibson
4. Communications – Shelby Brodersen
5. Professional Development – Lane Gibson
6. Finance – Holli Duggan
7. Elections – Holli Duggan
8. Scholarship & Awards – Lisa Mount
9. Golden Sower - Samantha Rundle

#### I. Adjournment