

MINUTES
ALLEGHENY COUNTY LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
JUNE 15, 2015

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Tom Herward, Ronald Borczyk, Brad Fish, Sharon Helfrich, Claire Shubik-Richards, Al Kamper, Richard Betters, Glenn Schillo

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Marilyn Jenkins, Kimberley Hrivnak, Amy Stromberg, Tina LaMark, Laurie Anderson, Anita Greene-Jones, Carrie Lane, Kathy Robinson, John Smart, and representatives from the Northland Public Library.

6:30 P.M. **Call to order** – Tom Herward
Determination of Quorum – Quorum established.

Public Comments – Kathy Robinson of Crafton Library stated that the Crafton Library and its Board of Directors give their full support for the adoption of the System Standards.

Consent Agenda – MOTION made by Betters and seconded by Borczyk to accept the May minutes and financial statements. MOTION carried, no oppositions.

Requests for Additions or Changes to the Agenda – None.

Reports and Communication

A. **President's Report**

Herward stated that a request for proposal for audit services will be sent out and responses evaluated by the Audit Committee over the next few months. Herward also reported that an email was received from Mt. Lebanon Library questioning the determination at the General Membership meeting that a motion to table adoption of standards was out of order. Legal counsel was consulted and the motion to table was ruled invalid as there was no motion on the floor for the Members' consideration. It was simply a discussion in which the Board was seeking input.

B. **Executive Director's Report**

Jenkins proposed to delay the adoption of the strategic plan so the draft language can be reviewed to ensure it focuses sufficiently on supporting

libraries in moving forward with implementation of System Standards if adopted. A revised draft would be presented in September. The Board and Members could then discuss the revised draft, offer input, with a goal of adoption by the Board and Member Libraries at the October 29 meeting. The Board concurred with this plan. Jenkins reported that a preliminary draft 2016 budget will be developed in July. Once reviewed and released by the Finance Committee it will be distributed to the ACLA Board and Member Libraries for discussion; Jenkins would attend regional meetings for input. Jenkins presented a position statement from the Governor's Advisory Council. The Board had a number of questions and agreed to continue the discussion.

C. LAC Report

Greene-Jones noted that LAC received regional reports on discussion of the standards: the North does not support adoption of the standard at this time; the South did not have a quorum at their last meeting; the East and West regions support adoption. Greene-Jones also stated that LAC discussed eResources funding. It voted in support of recommending retaining the RAD allocation, with an increase of 3%. It will consider usage data and whether additional funding will be required for 2016, and if so, what options might be available for securing additional funds. Greene-Jones also gave an update on the RDA training.

Specific Topics for Discussions and Motions

A. RAD Request 2016 – The Board adopted a recommendation for the 2016 RAD proposal in the amount of \$6,662,175. This includes a 3% increase, inclusion of allocation of eResources, and an additional \$25,000 for the inclusion of the Millvale Library in the distribution formula. The recommendation will be proposed at the General Membership meeting on June 30, 2015.

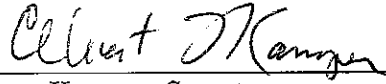
B. Standards input and adoption – Jenkins reviewed communications from Mt. Lebanon, Northern Tier, Northland, and South Park to delay adopting standards. She also reported on a suggested amendment from South Fayette regarding trained youth services staff. Borczyk reported that 7 of the 8 Northern region libraries do not support the standards. MOTION made by Betters and seconded by Helfrich to adopt the revised System Standards. MOTION carried by vote of 7 to 1 (Borczyk opposed).

Board adjourned to Executive session at 7:10 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 7:24 p.m. It approved a renewed contract with the Executive Director. Herward noted that At Large Board Member Zineb Outnouna has resigned from the ACLA Board due to time constraints. The Board will be looking for candidates over the next few months that will bring appropriate balance to the Board.

The meeting adjourned at 7:26 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Albert Kamper". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Albert Kamper, Secretary