

**GEORGIA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**

Clayton State University – Downs Continuing Education Center
Morrow, Georgia

Friday, January 25, 2008

Minutes

Present: Betty Paulk (presiding), Elizabeth Bagley, Jim Cooper, Bob Fox, Carolyn Fuller, Ann Hamilton, Jeff Heck, Jane Hildebrand, Cathy Jeffrey, Karen Manning, Susan Morris, Joan Osborne, JoEllen Ostendorf, Kathy Pillatzki, Judi Repman, Cheryl Rogers, Michael Seigler, and Sarah Steiner.

I. Call to Order and Welcome/ Introductions: Betty Paulk

Betty called the meeting to order at 2:20pm. The group introduced themselves and indicated their role in GLA leadership.

II. Approval of Minutes: Liz Bagley

Minutes from the October 17, 2007 were approved with no changes. Motion for approval made by JoEllen Ostendorf and seconded by Jeff Heck.

III. Treasurer's Report: Ray Calvert and Carol Stanley

Report distributed and stands accepted. Carol will be transferring treasurer duties to Ray. Bob Fox is Chair of the Budget Committee. Carol reported that \$11,000 is in a poorly earning account, so GLA may want to move it to a CD earning higher interest. Ray offered to do so.

IV. Membership Report: Jane Hildebrand

Elaine will transfer files. The committee will investigate feasibility of renewing online, and plans on more proactive recruitment.

V. Administrative Services Report: Bob Fox

Report distributed. They are gearing up for Library Day, February 14, 2008 (see New Business).

VI. GLQ Editor's Report

Susan Cooley could not be present but had recently picked up the next *GLQ* from the printer for mailing. She planned for 300 copies to be handed out at Library Day.

VII. ALA Councilor's Report: Ann Hamilton

Ann emailed her report to the board on January 24. The Washington Office has an adaptable brochure for state associations, as well as a flyer on going digital (best for public libraries).

VIII. SELA Representative's Report: Mike Seigler

The Kentucky Library Association is sponsoring a three-pronged conference: the KLA/KSMA/SELA/ARL National Diversity in Libraries Conference (NDLC), "Spectrum of the Future," October 1-4, 2008, at the Louisville Marriott Downtown, Louisville, Kentucky. See <http://www.kylibasn.org/> for details.

SELA is exploring a mentoring program, looking for experienced mentors and those willing to offer online mentoring. See: <http://sela.jsu.edu/membership/mentoring.htm>.

Also, the Ginny Frankenthaler Memorial Scholarship in Library Science is available, with applications from Georgia preferred. The deadline is May 1, 2008. See: <http://sela.jsu.edu/about/scholarships.htm>.

Division Reports

- I. **Academic Library Division:** Cathy Jeffrey. Productive meeting today. Gene Ruffin handling COMO luncheon - Music in Athens idea. COMO programs ideas were circulated. Checking on whether they could use ACRL's \$228 for an honorarium.
- II. **Public Library Division:** Carolyn Fuller. Planning COMO, Authors' Reception, and lunch speaker ideas. They expect to need money.
- III. **School Library Division:** Judy Repman. Presented a proposal on a joint GLMA/GLA Committee on Information Literacy (distributed). See New Business.
- IV. **New Members Round Table:** Sarah Steiner. The group talked about new program ideas today. Working with members in general. Possible resume review at COMO and/or mentoring program in Georgia.
- V. **Paraprofessional Division:** Karen Manning. Heidi Bedford, Vice Chair/Chair Elect. Had a good meeting re. COMO program ideas. Contacts are underway. May create a blog. Karen and Liz Bagley agreed to work on highlighting the GLA Scholarships for library graduate programs on the division's web page.
- VI. **Trustees and Friends:** Bob Fox for Gordon Baker. FOLUSA and ALTA are co-managed, will merge August 1, 2008. Two workshops are planned.
- VII. **Interest Group Council Report:** Susan Morris. She had reports back from 10 of 12 groups including one thought defunct which now wants to continue. No interest in Distance Ed or Continuing Ed. Jennifer Link Jones (GA State Univ) proposed an Assessment IG to great response. Jennifer has started a wiki at <http://assessmentig.pbwiki.com>. This IG is now moving through the bylaws process. Mike Seigler affirmed that emails could serve in place of the signatures on the petition for a new interest group. Next step: IGC signs off then asks GLA Executive Board to approve. Once IG chairs are confirmed, they will consider the proposal. Need to streamline procedures. Bylaws do not say what percentage of IGC must approve, or how to declare a group inactive. Susan will present the new IG at the next board meeting.

Committee Reports

- I. **Handbook:** Jeff Heck. Jeff will look at Interest Group concerns mentioned above by Susan Morris. Transfer of information is varied within parts of the association and needs a set day for transfer. Jeff will make a future motion on this point, as well as on maintenance of the Handbook Appendices. Cathy Jeffrey commented that historical data was scattered throughout the handbook when last updated, so she moved it to an appendix. Jack Fisher perhaps could update and preserve appendices, but GLA could still publish info on the website.
- II. **Scholarship:** Liz Bagley. Both scholarship awardees attended the COMO Conference and GLA Banquet, and Mark Swails, the Hubbard awardee, assisted with the pirate-themed raffle drawing on Friday morning. He and Miguel Vicente, the Beard awardee, are both doing well in their graduate programs this year. The 2007 COMO Scholarship Raffle made a profit of \$5409. The number of items donated (120+) also was a new high. Thank you acknowledgments have been sent to donors. Applications have started coming in for the 2008 selection round. The deadline is Thursday, May 1, 2008, so please help spread the word. Lastly, 4 recent donations to the Scholarship Fund have been acknowledged since the board's last meeting. They totaled \$158 in contributions.

Old Business

JoEllen Ostendorf thanked everyone that helped with COMO 2007.

New Business

- I. Library Day 2008: Jim Cooper. It's February 14 so has a red "Love Your Library" theme. Will give out heart-shaped stress busters with "I Love GA Libraries" to General Assembly members. Program invitations going to each legislator. Jim has expanded the number of tables for people to sit at, but the maximum allowed is 34 tables (340 people). Last year we had about 400. It is difficult to manage a big group in the Floyd Room. Various legislative leaders have been invited. The State School Superintendent and BOR's Chancellor are not able to attend but were invited. Plans call for us to be out by 10:30-10:45 so attendees can go across the street to lobby. Wear red! Reminders are going out. Register by Feb. 1 via the online form.
- II. Information Literacy Proposal from Nadine Cohen: Betty Paulk and Judy Repman.

See attached proposal. Mike Seigler suggested they form an organizational charter with 5 members from GLA, 5 from GLMA, 3 from USG, etc. Perhaps then it could be endorsed by GLA and GLMA, sort of like ARCHE. It would not have to be a 401-C3, just a simple joint organization on info literacy. They could come back to GLA Executive Board, and we would appoint affiliated members. Mike offered to help them draft association papers based on what their membership will be. Nadine will take this proposal back to the group, to GLMA, and to Judy Seritella at the BOE.
- III. Dates for future board meetings. Betty said to plan on April, July, and at COMO. She will send out an email when dates are set.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00pm.