

# Annual Business Meeting Agenda May 19, 2020 Virtual Zoom

- I. Call to Order 6:04 pm and welcome by President Cathi Fuhrman. All motions will be voted on by unanimous consent.
- II. Association Reports
  - a. Secretary's Report March 29, 2019, Annual Business Meeting (Jane Farrell) (EXHIBIT A)
    - Motion to approve to accept minutes from last meeting—Allison Mackley; 2<sup>nd</sup>—Craig McFeely
    - 2. No objection, motion passes
  - b. Treasurer's Report (Sandy Reilly) 2018-2019 Fiscal Reports (EXHIBIT B)
    - 1. Profit/Loss Report 2018-2019
    - 2. LSTA Grant not included. Fiscal years do not match.
    - 3. Reports by committee not included in report.
    - 4. Balance Sheet June 30, 2019
- III. Committee Reports Annual
  - a. Awards Committee (Craig McFeely) (EXHIBIT C)
    - 1. Continues to review their policies.
    - 2. Due to COVID-19 Pandemic 2020 and 2021 winners will be awarded at the 2021 conference.
    - 3. Special thanks to committee members.
  - b. Communications Committee (Leah Lindemann) (EXHIBIT D)
    - 1. Continue with social media presence.
    - 2. Facilitated logo contest. Thanks to all who participated. Results still being reviewed.
    - 3. Thanks to committee.
  - c. Conference Committee (Laura Ward) (EXHIBIT E)
    - 1. Refunds issued to all registrants.
    - 2. "What's Your Superpower?" theme will be used for 2021 conference.
    - 3. Thanks to conference committee for getting us through a rough time
  - d. Local and State Advocacy Special Committee (Robin Burns) (EXHIBIT F)
    - 1. Continues to work with EveryLibrary.
    - 2. Encourage to join webinars.
    - 3. Much work done toward House Bill.
    - 4. Rally to restore Philadelphia schools was a huge success.
    - 5. Continued work on PA Library staffing survey.
    - 6. Thankful for the committees and relationships being built.
  - e. Operations Committee (Aimee Emerson (EXHIBIT G)

- 1. Thanks to committee and co-chairs Bob McConnell and Vicki Saltzer.
- 2. Thanks to Allison Burrell for her service. Mrs. Burrell submitted her resignation.
- f. Teaching and Learning Committee (Dustin Brackbill) (EXHIBIT H)
  - 1. Working with several grants, AASL Past Presidents Grant—products used to understand the new standards.
  - 2. Webinar work has been extraordinary.
  - 3. Create online module course that anyone in the country may take.
  - 4. Worked with LSTA steering group.
  - 5. LitReview committee shared their recommendations via web link and social media.
- IV. Pennsylvania Department of Education, Office of Commonwealth Library Update (Corri Hines)
  - a. Updates from OCL—framework for opening libraries in yellow counties.
  - b. Status of state budget up in the air for next year. Concerns about sustaining state support for public and school libraries. Federal relief funds are coming to school districts in PA to support education statewide.
  - c. Glen will be included in all conversations at PDE for plans for next year.
  - d. Webinars about what we can do for children over the summer. Encouraging public librarians to work with school librarians.
- V. American Association of School Librarians Update (Cathi Fuhrman) (EXHIBIT I)
  - a. Brief update. We are now a chapter affiliate.
  - b. ALA is offering virtual meetings. Announced that annual meeting is cancelled this year. Offering refunds and discounts to members.
  - c. Cathi Fuhrman serves as state leader. Submitted a proposal to present at PA Principal's Conference in October.
- VI. President's Report (Cathi Fuhrman) (EXHIBIT J)
  - a. Advocacy/Coalitions
    - 1. 2020 Presidential Award was presented to Susan Pannebaker. Very deserving of this award.
    - 2. Cathi Fuhrman passes on President's pin to Robin Burns. Acknowledges her gratitude to serve as president.
  - b. Model Curriculum
- VII. Old Business
  - a. Staffing Survey 2019-2020 (Allison Burrell)
    - 1. Still waiting for 18 school districts to reply to survey.
  - b. LSTA Grant Activities Update 2019 2020 (Allison Mackley and Mary Kay Biagini) (EXHIBIT K)
    - 1. Report crosses over two fiscal years, as fiscal years do not match.
    - 2. Eight newsletters were sent through the School Library Connections Network.
    - 3. Level 1 and Level 2 regional trainings for AASL Standards.
    - 4. Several Academies provided leadership training to many participants.

- 5. Janus Retreat—reflect on work done and looking forward.
- 6. Regional Training for Model Curriculum for Learners in PA School Libraries.
- 7. Leadership Development—one day leadership workshops.
- 8. Second level leadership development for PA School Librarians.
- 9. Leadership Institute for PA School Librarians.
- 10. Thanks to the steering members for their hard work on these projects.
- c. Other Old Business

## VIII. New Business

# IX. Resolutions/ Recognition (EXHIBIT L)

a. Natalie Hawley

WHEREAS: Natalie Hawley has served as Conference Treasurer of the Pennsylvania School Librarians Association for two years;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the members of the Pennsylvania School Librarians Association express their sincere appreciation for her dedication to the field of school librarianship and service to the membership of the Association.

Motion made by Nancy Latanision, seconded by Sarah DiMaria—motion carries.

### b. Deb Kachel

WHEREAS: Deb Kachel has taught university classes to future librarians and has trained current librarians to develop and apply advocacy skills to ensure that all K-12 students have access to quality school library programs; and

WHEREAS: Deb Kachel has published influential school library focused articles in national publications and has presented school library advocacy at the local, state, and national conferences; and

WHEREAS: Deb Kachel has curated and maintained the Pennsylvania School Library Project LibGuide; and

WHEREAS: Deb Kachel has written and administered federal Institute of Museum and Library Services scholar grants and has been a steering committee member of the Pennsylvania School Librarians Leadership Academy and the Pennsylvania Leadership Institute for School Librarians; and

WHEREAS: Deb Kachel has worked diligently as the PSLA local and state advocacy special committee co-chair and has solidified a partnership with Every Library, a national political action committee for libraries; and

WHEREAS: Deb Kachel has provided PSLA leaders with advocacy and coalition-building trainings, has co-organized the Rally to Restore Philadelphia school librarians, and has guided PSLA to become a PA Schools Work Governing Body;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the members of the Pennsylvania School

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Motion made by Joyce Valenza, seconded by Allison Mackley—motion carries.

# c. Allison Mackley

WHEREAS: Allison Mackley has served as a leader on the PSLA Board of Directors as Director, Vice President, President-Elect, President, and Immediate Past President and steered the new Strategic Plan for 2018-2021 which prompted a revision of the PSLA Mission, Vision, & Strategic Priorities and guided the conversion to the new PSLA website and management system and;

WHEREAS: Allison Mackley has served as an integral member in the revision of the Pennsylvania School Guidelines and;

WHEREAS: Allison Mackley has served as the voice of school librarians on the Governor's Advisory Council and acted as the legislative liaison for PaLA and:

WHEREAS: Allison Mackley has worked to implement the 2019-2020 AASL Past President's Grant which produced an AASL National School Library Standard webinar and an online course to explore the standards and;

WHEREAS: Allison Mackley has guided the association's application for the AASL Affiliate of the Year Award and has served in AASL in the following capacities: Region Two AASL Affiliate Representative, AASL Standards Implementation Committee, liaison to the AASL Presidential Initiative Task Force, liaison to the School Librarian Job Description Task Force and liaison to the AASL Standards Crosswalk Taskforce:

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Motion made by Jennifer Bates, seconded by Laura Ward—motion carries.

# X. Bylaws Update

a. New bylaws have been approved and posted on the PSLA website.

### XI. Upcoming Action Needed

- a. PSLA Town Hall
- b. PSLA Professional Development Survey
- c. PSLA Summit

### XII. Other New Business

 Introduction of School Librarians at the Center of School Renewal & Transformation Infographic created by Allison Mackley.

- XIII. Future Dates
  - a. ALA Virtual Summit June 24 26, 2020
  - b. AASL Chapter Assembly Virtual Meeting June TBD
  - c. PSLA Summit (Advisory Council & Summit) July 7 9, 2020
- XIV. ALA Midwinter Meeting January 22 26, 2021 Indianapolis, IN
- XV. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Craig McFeely; second by Allison Mackley. Meeting adjourned 6:54pm
- XVI. Induction of Officers