



**Minutes
Board Meeting
February 20, 2018, 3-4pm
AACPL Circuit Court Law Library Conference Room**

Present: Jay Bansbach, Joseph Thompson, Martha Grahame, Al Martin, Lynn Wheeler, Stuart Regland, Margaret Carty, Arthuree Wright, Kristen Pironis, Sarah Avant, Irene Padilla, Denise Davis, Zeke White, Ashley Rogers, Mary Baykan, Carrie Sanders, Nini Beegan, Tamar Sarnoff, Leslie Bowman, John Owen, Norman Lezama, Ana Martinez, Teneille Naraine, Derek Jones, Mirna Turcios, Glennor Shirley, Giovanna Sandoval, Anita Vassallo, James Donaldson, Patty Sundberg, Michelle Cavanaugh, Kelly Falk, Robyn Truslow, Luis Labra, Ann McIntire, Heather Jackson, John Walden, Mary Hastler, Leslie Greenly Smith, Jennifer Button, Debby Bennett, Robin Jacobsen

President Kristen Pironis called the meeting to order at 3:02pm.

Introductions were made. 42 people were in attendance. The agenda was reviewed. No additions were made.

Reports

President's Report

K Pironis, reported that Diane Barlow passed away on February 6, 2018. As CML's past Executive Director Diane was instrumental in the development of the James Partridge Award and co-editor of the work *Advanced in Librarianship: Celebrating the James Partridge Award: Essays toward the Development of a More Diverse, Inclusive, and Equitable Field of Library and Information Science*. The group agreed that legacy contributions could be made to the James Partridge Award fund in her honor.

K Pironis reported that Maryland Legislative Day appeared to be well attended with many Maryland Library representatives able to meet with their legislative representatives.

Executive Director's Report

Sarah Avant reported that membership growth, especially among citizen groups is an ongoing goal. Everyone in attendance was encouraged to attend.

Treasurer's Report

Stuart Ragland provided a year to date summary report.

Legislative Panel Update

Mary Baykan, Maryland Library Association Legislative Officer reported there have been many positive reports of successful meetings with representatives and office managers from teams on the ground during Legislative Day. Overall, libraries have had a good year. A per capita increase is anticipated to move forward. Libraries are strong as the 3rd pillar of education as the bill to separate libraries from Maryland State Department of Education passed unanimously. M Baykan encouraged us to thank our Senators.

The last day of General Assembly is April 9th. There was one bill, HB136, which warranted input. Members of the State Library Board, MLA, and CML testified against the bill. The bill will not move forward.

State of the State Librarian

State Librarian Irene Padilla reported that the separate of the Maryland State Library, from MSDE was effective on July 1, 2017. The transition period has been successful, including the move to new offices in the MLA building and the establishment of a MOU with MSDE. Accomplishments in the last seven months include the development of a new website and logo, a 5 year LSTA plan, and successful staffing transitions.

MLA Legislative Advocacy Interest Group

Denise Davis informed the group that the MD LAIG is a new committee for staff to begin mid-career interest in advocacy. Zeke White announced an upcoming Advocacy Boot Camp. Look for more information from MD LAIG.

CML Business

Minutes from the January 6, 2018 meeting were reviewed. Al Martin moved to approve the minutes, with corrections. Martha Grahame seconded. All in favor.

Upcoming meetings will be held 10am to 1pm. The dates are: 14 April 2018: Maryland Library Association, Baltimore and 2 June 2018: BCPL, Arbutus Library

Awards Committee - Lynn Wheeler moved the following award nominations be accepted. S Ragland seconded. All in favor.

Marion Saitherwaite Award - Sharon Minecki

Davis McCarn Technology Award - Liz Sunderland

Outstanding Employee Award - ESRL Team: Rachael Stein, Rick Simpson, Sam Eddington, Mira Beaglehole and Jeff Cross

Communication Committee - Please submit articles and news for the MLA edition of The Citizen.

New Business

The Institute of Museum and Library Services has not not been funded at the Federal Level in the President's proposed funding to Congress. Contact your local Senators to encourage the reauthorization of IMLS and to budget funding to IMLS

How do you become aware and stay engaged in the Library Advocacy? Subscribe to MaryLib, District Dispatch, follow CML on Facebook, use the Engage software on the MLA website, and encourage activity from your Friends of the Library groups.

The Annual MSL/CML Conference will take place around October. Please share ideas for topics. The conference will be planned in collaboration between MSL and CML.

Announcements

Encourage Friends groups to apply for the Mary Lou Dewey Grant by April 1.

The CML sponsored session at the MLA/DLA Conference, Community Advocacy - Working with and Without Friends Groups, will be held May 3rd and will be presented by Skip Dye and Beth Nawalinski.

National Library Legislative Day will be held May 7 and May 8th. Updated training will be held the day before. Information is available on the ALA website.

Joseph Thompson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:00 pm. Al Martin seconded. All in favor.

Submitted by: Sarah Avant

Board Approved with modification: April 14, 2018