

Minutes
Citizens for Maryland Libraries
June 2, 2018
Arbutus, MD

In Attendance:

Stuart Ragland, Martha Grahame, Jane Terebey, Jay Bansbach, Sandy Lombardo, Joseph Thompson, Pat Hofmann, Kristen Pironis, Jim Fish, Sarah Avant, Karl Schwalm, Jim DeArmey, Margaret Carty

The Audit Committee met before the start of the Board meeting.

President Pironis called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. and introductions were made.

The Agenda was reviewed and a History of CML was added to the agenda.

President Pironis gave the President's Report. She expressed gratitude to the group for their work and made note of meeting with Mr. Martin on legislative matters.

Ms. Avant gave the Executive Director's Report reviewing the work which had been done.

Mr. Ragland gave the Treasurer's Report. The Audit Committee met prior to the opening of this meeting. He reviewed how donations are accepted and recorded. He advised that MLGIP accounts were previously opened to separate funds for the Dewey and Partridge Awards. However, those funds are now stored in BB&T accounts to eliminate fees. Ms. Grahame moved that Mr. Ragland contact MLGIP to close the CML accounts held there. Ms. Lombardo seconded the motion. All in favor.

Ms. Pironis and Mr. Thompson gave a Legislative Panel update. In Maryland, two "net neutrality" bills were written but did not make it to the Senate. Also in Maryland, a bill regarding collective bargaining in Community Colleges was found unfavorable and withdrawn. In the Federal Legislature IMLS funding for 2018 was successfully preserved. Continue looking for legislative communications and opportunities to contact your representatives. The Board thanked Mr. Thompson for his diligent work sharing timely legislative information throughout the year.

The minutes from the April 14, 2018 meeting were reviewed. The upcoming meeting schedule for August 11th at the Elkridge Library should be added to the minutes. Ms. Terebey made a motion that the minutes be accepted, with the noted addition. Ms. Hofmann seconded the motion. All in favor.

Ms. Hofmann led the group through a final review of the CML award descriptions and timelines. Final changes will be made and the information will be posted on the website.

The MLA/DLA conference presentation and CML conference was discussed. The Board worked to ensure awards presentations were successful. The Citizen was published and distributed. Ms. Terebey shared information from the session, Advocacy Bootcamp. Her notes were distributed electronically to the Board. The CML Session had about 27 people in attendance and was a good session. It was requested that we let Ms. Carty know which CML Members will be in attendance at future conferences.

The Communication Committee reported that Maryland Day was April 28, 2018. Mr. Thompson and Ms. Grahame represented CML at a booth where over 1000 people visited. The upcoming MACo conference was discussed. Ideas were proposed for the Fall issue of The Citizen.

The Nominations Committee sought suggestions for the 2 members who are not on the CML Board. The discussion moved into the future work of the Membership Committee and a discussion was had on how to encourage participation from citizens, rather than library employees, in CML. The Nominations Committee will gather suggestions and make their report available prior to the Annual Meeting.

Preserving CML history was briefly discussed and will be added to a future agenda.

For New Business it was suggested that meetings be held in locations with an HDMI connection for improved participation from those joining virtually.

At 11:58 Ms. Lombardo motioned that the meeting be adjourned. Ms. Grahame seconded the motion. All in favor.

Submitted by: Sarah Avant
Approved: December 15, 2018