



**PENNSYLVANIA SCHOOL LIBRARIANS ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING
Hershey Lodge and Convention Center
May 5, 2018**

- I. Call to order (Jennifer Bates)
 - A. President Bates called the meeting to order at 8:16 a.m.

- II. Minutes (Patricia McNeill)
 - A. Minutes were posted on the conference Weebly prior to the meeting.
 - B. Natalie Hawley moved to accept the minutes of the April 1, 2017 meeting. Deb Hoover seconded.
Motion carried.

- III. Treasurer's Report (Natalie Hawley) (EXHIBIT A)
 - A. Budget Balance as of June 30, 2017 is \$175,368.78.
 - B. Budget Balance as of March 31, 2018 is \$245,618.82.
 - C. Treasurer's report will be filed subject to audit.

- IV. Committee Reports (EXHIBIT B)
 - A. All committees submitted annual reports.

- V. State Library Update (Glenn Miller)
 - A. Invited membership to visit the State Library and to see the newly restored Law Library. The Forum Building will be going through renovations in the future and satellite locations are being explored.
 - B. State law requires the Office of Commonwealth Libraries to conduct periodic competitive bids for POWER Library e-resources. Currently, contracts for sixteen e-resource subscriptions expire on July 31, 2018. If there are any changes to the current resources, users will be contacted as quickly as possible. A list of what may change and what will not is available online.

- VI. ESSA Update (Jennifer Bates)
 - A. Pennsylvania is one of the 34 states that mentions school librarians specifically in its plan. School librarians are incorporated in Title 4, Part A under Digital Learning. We are sure to hear more about this moving forward.

VII. President's Report (Jennifer Bates)

A. Goal: Streamline Communication

1. MemberClicks has helped to accomplish this. In the future, it will absorb other communities, like Schoology.

B. ALA Annual Conference: June 21-26, 2018—New Orleans, LA

C. Quantum

1. Continuing work on HB 740 and CSPG 48 and 101.

D. AASL National School Library Standards

1. Intensive training on the new standards at AASL in Phoenix led to Thursday's pre-conference training. Regional trainings will be held in the future via the Regional Leaders Academy.

E. The Office of Commonwealth Libraries is working with PSLA to update the guidelines for school libraries.

F. On April 13th, Jenn Bates was the guest speaker for the graduating librarians at Kutztown University. It was also a celebration of Nancy Latanision's retirement from the university.

G. Jenn thanked the Board of Directors and Committee Chairs for their support during her presidency.

VIII. Conference Committee Report (Cathi Fuhrman)

A. Final numbers: 461 attendees, 188 full packages, 81 partial packages, 24 registrations for Thursday, 144 registrations for Friday, 18 registrations for Saturday, and 5 registrations for Exhibits.

B. The conference committee used Basecamp as a communication tool and it really helped with organization and made for smooth conference planning.

C. Implemented electronic Act 48 reporting to make it more efficient and more accurate; submission is also easier.

D. Caitlin Linsenmann was recognized and thanked for her work as Conference Committee Co-Chair.

E. 2019 Conference

1. March 28-30, 2019 Hershey Lodge & Convention Center (Hershey, PA)
2. Theme: Diversity by Design
3. Speakers:
 1. Keynote: John Schumacher (Mr. Schu)
 2. Author Keynote: Matt de la Peña

IX. Old Business

A. LSTA Update—Regional Leaders (RLA) and Mini Regional Leaders Academy (MRLA)

1. All participants and staff in the Regional Leaders academy were thanked.
2. RLA implemented the Key Communicators network this past year.

3. MRLA will continue to develop the Key Communicators network and will help provide support for regional trainings on the new standards.
- B. Staffing Survey 2017-2018 (EXHIBIT C)
1. The results were posted on the conference Weebly.
 2. All 500 School Districts responded and Eileen Kern and Allison Burrell compiled the data.
- C. HB 740 (One Certified Librarian in Every Public School)
1. Representative Mark Longiotti, a co-sponsor of HB 740, was recognized for his exceptional efforts with this bill and his support of school libraries and school librarians.
 2. Members were asked to urge their legislators to sign on to this bill and to respond to Deb Kachel's calls to action.
- D. CSPG 48 and 101
1. Language was updated recently that adjusted clarifications on the role of Library Science professionals vs. paraprofessional aides.
 2. Currently, a meeting is set up with PDE on May 7th. At this meeting, PDE will be presented with a list of districts that are non-compliant, determine what the next steps are in pursuing this, and possibly present a formal letter of notification.
 3. Once more information has been gathered, PSLA will begin drafting a position statement.

X. New Business

A. Resolutions/ Recognition (Kate Palladino—Constitution and Bylaws)

1. Allison Burrell (EXHIBIT D)

WHEREAS: Allison Burrell has served as a dynamic leader on the PSLA Board of Directors as Director, Vice President, President-Elect, President, and Immediate Past President and;

WHEREAS: Allison Burrell has given testimony to the House Education Committee in 2012 and 2016 on important role of the school librarian in today's educational environment and;

WHEREAS: Allison Burrell has served a member of Pennsylvania Department of Education's Focus Groups that ultimately lead to school librarians being included in Pennsylvania's Every Student Succeeds Act Consolidated Plan and;

WHEREAS: Allison Burrell has served on the Model Curriculum Writing and Editorial Team;

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.

Moved by Eileen Kern and seconded by Dustin Brackbill. Motion carried.

2. Natalie Hawley (EXHIBIT E)

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

WHEREAS: Natalie Hawley has served as Chair of the Association's Budget and Finance Committee and;

WHEREAS: Natalie Hawley has served on the Awards, Technology and Conference Committees and;

WHEREAS: Natalie Hawley has served as a Regional Coordinator for the Association;

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.

Moved by Connie Burlingame and seconded by Krista Leonard. Motion carried.

3. Jamie Scott (EXHIBIT F)

WHEREAS: Jamie Scott has served as a Director of the Pennsylvania School Librarians Association Board for two years and;

WHEREAS: Jamie Scott has served as the Co-Chair of the Association's Professional Development Committee and;

WHEREAS: Jamie Scott has served on the Model Curriculum Team, phrase two and three and;

WHEREAS: Jamie Scott has served as a Model Curriculum presenter and Educator Effectiveness trainer for various PSLA and Commonwealth Libraries' workshops;

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.

Moved by Robert D. McConnell and seconded by Craig McFeely. Motion carried.

4. Betty H. Grebey (EXHIBIT G)

WHEREAS: Betty H. Grebey has served as Exhibits Chair of the Pennsylvania School Librarians Association Conference for over 40 years and;

WHEREAS: Betty H. Grebey has been a member of the Association's Conference Committee since its inception;

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.

Moved by Caitlin Linsenmann and seconded by Connie Burlingame. Motion carried.

XI. Future Dates

- A. ALA Annual Conference—June 21-26, 2018—New Orleans, LA
- B. PSLA Strategic Planning Meeting—July 10, 2018
- C. PSLA Summit—July 11, 2018
- D. PSLA Board Meeting—July 12, 2018
- E. PSLA 46th Annual Conference—March 28-30, 2019 Hershey Lodge & Convention Center (Hershey, PA)
- F. PSLA 47th Annual Conference—April 30- May 2, 2020 Hershey Lodge & Convention Center (Hershey, PA)
- G. PSLA 48th Annual Conference—April 15-17, 2021 Hershey Lodge & Convention Center (Hershey, PA)

XII. Adjournment.

- A. Craig McFeely moved to adjourn the meeting. Bob McConnell seconded. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:48 a.m.

- EXHIBIT A Treasurer's Report
- EXHIBIT B Committee Reports
- EXHIBIT C Staffing Survey 2017-2018
- EXHIBIT D Resolution: Allison Burrell
- EXHIBIT E Resolution: Natalie Hawley
- EXHIBIT F Resolution: Jamie Scott
- EXHIBIT G Resolution: Betty H. Grebey