

Mississippi Library Association  
Executive Board  
Meeting Minutes  
December 6, 2012

- I. Call to order (11:21 a.m.)
- II. Roll call: Lynn Shurden, Amanda Clay Powers, Mara Villa, Kathy Buntin, Stephen Cunetto, Jeff Slagell, Melissa Dennis, Jennifer Brannock, Jaclyn Lewis, Marsha Case, Susan Cassagne, Ruth Ann Gibson, Pat Matthes, Jennifer Smith, Sharman Smith, Barbara Evans, Judy Card, David Brown, Jenniffer Stephenson, Mary Julia Anderson
- III. Approval of minutes from last meeting-1<sup>st</sup> meeting so no new notes.
- IV. MLA Officers and Introductions/Reports
  - o Lynn Shurden, President
  - o Amanda Powers, Vice President
  - o Mara Villa, Secretary
  - o Kathy Buntin, Treasurer
  - o Stephen Cunetto, Past President
  - o Mary Julia Anderson, Executive Secretary
  - o Jennifer Brannock, ACRL
  - o Jeff Slagell, ALA Councilor
  - o Melissa Dennis, SELA Councilor
  - o Marsha Case, Public Libraries
  - o Jaclyn Lewis, Special Libraries
  - o Committee Chairs
    - o Author Awards-Amy Poe (FRL)
    - o Awards-Ruth Ann Gibson (MC)
    - o Fiscal Management-Jennifer Smith (Vick)
    - o Membership -Caroline Barnett (FRL)
    - o Nominating-Judy McNeece (DRLS)
    - o Legislative-Susan Cassagne (JAL)
    - o Long Range--Jeff Slagell (DSU) and Catherine Nathan (FRL)
    - o NLW-Jenniffer Stephenson (GLPL)
    - o Publicity-David Brown (FRL)
    - o Scholarship/Silent Auction-Jennifer Meister (CMRLS)
    - o Web Page—Molly McManus
  - a. There were 465 conference attendees. The number includes speakers and vendors.
  - b. Pie Day is February 21. The time is to be determined but will be after lunchtime.
  - c. Stephen Cunetto requests that there be a survey to be completed by conference vendors.
- V. Section Chair Introductions and/or Reports
  - a. Jennifer Brannock, ACRL
  - b. Marsha Case, Public Libraries
  - c. Venetia Oglesby and Susan Sparkman, School Libraries
  - d. Jaclyn Lewis, Special Libraries
- VI. Round Tables Introductions and/or Reports
  - a. Jeanette Whisenton, Black Caucus
  - b. Judy Hilkert, TSRT
  - c. Sarah Welch, 2YCRT

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d. Lindsey Miller and Ally Watkins, YPSRT

VII. New Business

- a. February 21 is Pie Day at the Capitol. The tentative plan is to have morning meeting with old and new committee chairs. Lynn says that there needs to be more communication within the association.
- b. David Brown, Publicity Chair, would like people to suggest members for his committee.
- c. Susan Cassagne will send an email soliciting donations from Friends of the Library groups for Legislative (Pie) Day.
- d. Jenniffer Stephenson, chair of NLW, said that the theme is "Communities Matter @ Your Library." The tentative plan is to have an outline of MS; there will be pictures of library services from different libraries inside the outline.
- e. Sharman Smith
  - i. Regarding MLC grant for MLA Annual Conference, Smith recommends to use speaker for more than one session.
  - ii. Governor is recommending 1.5% budget cut to Mississippi Library Commission. Legislature should know budget before the end of the year (2012). There are new legislators and MLC will provide a current list after all the special elections.
  - iii. MLC will be taking the public library directors on a Gulf Coast libraries tour.
- f. Calendar of 2013 Meetings
  - i. March 15
  - ii. May 17
  - iii. August 26 (@ Conference Site Imperial Palace)
  - iv. Oct (at Annual MLA Conference)
    1. Conference is October 15-18 at the Imperial Palace. Theme is forthcoming.
  - v. December 13

VIII. Adjournment

- a. Jeff Slagell motions to adjourn. Kathy Buntin seconds. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:58 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Mara K. Villa  
Secretary