WAAL Board Meeting Minutes Tuesday, July 23, 2019 Conference Call

Call to Order:

Meeting called to order by Eric Jennings at 9:01am.

Present: Eric Jennings, Michael Doylen, Plumer Lovelace, Robin Miller, Lee Wagner, Diana Shull, Andrew Prellwitz

Absent: Jill Markgraf, Laura Briskie

Action items:

Approved Minutes from the April 17, 2019 meeting. Shull moves to approve. Wagner seconds. Approved unanimously.

Conference Update:

- Robin Miller reported that the committee is working on an earlier timeline in order to get potential sponsorship requests out to vendors as soon as possible. Springer may sponsor a luncheon if asked early enough.
- The committee is asking for speaker availability now.
- There has already been a walk-through of the Brookfield Sheraton. Fewer food options and more expensive.
- Registration will be \$5 more. Plumer is checking into the reasoning behind this change.
- A call for programs will go out at the end of September.

Information Literacy Committee

- Jennings proposed moving the Information Literacy Committee to become a part of the Conference Planning Committee. Discussion ensued without ending in a conclusive decision.
- Another possibility suggested was to create an awards committee which would award conference scholarships, the information literacy award and other possible new awards.
- The Chair-elect would lead this committee.

WAAL Policies and Procedures Manual

• The board made revisions to the 100 and Calendar sections of the manual. Eric Jennings, Michael Doylen and Lee Wagner will meet in August to finish revising the document in time for the Fall meeting

WAAL 2021

• The board came to consensus that Madison should be investigated as the site of the 2021 WAAL conference. April, followed by June will be the respective first choices for dates.

WAAL 2019 New Attendees Update

• Many of the new attendees contacted by members of the board were first time presenters. Many also were hesitant to get further involved with WAAL or WLA.

ACRL Liaison Update

- Lee Wagner reported that major changes are upcoming from ALA and ACRL. The number of ALA Councilors will be reduced from around 100 to approximately 17. Some committees and divisions may be merged. Other ALA governance changes will be announced at the 2020 ALA Midwinter Meeting.
- The ACRL Project Outcomes endeavor may be possible training for an upcoming WAAL conference.

Meeting adjourned at 11:25am.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew Prellwitz