

**Wisconsin Small Library (WISL) Section of the Wisconsin Library Association  
Business Meeting Minutes  
October 18, 2017**

**Call to Order**

A business meeting of the Wisconsin Small Library (WISL) Section of the Wisconsin Library Association was called to order at 6:41pm on October 18, 2017 by Section Chair Jacqueline Rammer at the Kalahari Resort in Wisconsin Dells, WI at the Wisconsin Library Association Conference.

This was a meeting attended by Jacqueline Rammer, Lakeview; Erin Foley, Adams County; Teresa Schmidt, Mercer; Gina Rae, Wilton; Kent Barnard, Wild Rose; Amanda Hegge, Whitehall; and Amy Stormberg, Shell Lake. Also present: Sherry Machones, Northern Waters Library System; Jennifer Friedman, at Large; Alli Chase, Alice Baker Library; Brianna Wolbers, WI Dept of Employee Trust Funds; Jamie Hein, Clintonville; Angie Bodzislaw, Spooner; Alyssa Cleland, Northern Waters Library System; Tammy Peasley, Black River Falls.

**Approval of Minutes**

Stormberg motioned to approve the minutes of the leadership meeting held on August 18, 2017 as presented. 2nd Hegge. Motion carried.

**Introduction of Scholarship Winner**

Angela Bodzislaw was congratulated as the winner of the WISL scholarship for conference attendance.

**Public Library System Redesign Update**

Barnard reviewed the PLSR timeline, noting that the dates are certainly not immobile. He is serving on the Continuing Education workgroup and continues to work towards a more streamlined CE process for Wisconsin librarians.

**WLA Liaison Update**

Schmidt noted that WLA membership and conference attendance is down. A vote on moving inactive sections to Special Interest Group status is coming up. The WLA board is especially interesting in SIGs promoting diversity and inclusion. It was concluded that WISL membership is robust. Regional meetups were suggested.

**Legislative Update**

Machones shared the modest increase in state funding for library systems, adding that a pending wording change to documentation to include “libraries” after “schools” could result in more state funding for libraries. Federal (LSTA) funding looks stable when/if a federal budget is passed.

### **Budget Information**

The board was pleased with the excitement generated by the WISL t-shirts and the cow hot/cold packs. It was mentioned that the yellow t-shirts made all wearers act as WISL information booths. Schmidt motioned for a 2018 budget of \$725. The intent is to use as follows: \$400 conference scholarship, \$175 for WISL promotional items and \$150 for miscellaneous expenses.

2<sup>nd</sup> by Stormberg. Motion Carried.

### **WLA 2017 in Review**

A motion was made by Stormberg to suggest a “Small Library” day or track for the next conference. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rammer. Motion Carried.

### **WAPL 2018**

Wisconsin Association of Public Libraries Conference will be held on May 2-4 at the Country Springs Hotel & Convention Center in Waukesha. Stormberg will contact the conference chair about WISL’s involvement in planning.

### **Newsletter**

Friedman was thanked for her work on the newsletter. She has agreed to continue in her role as editor throughout 2018.

### **Public Outreach**

The section is still interested in participation in the New Director Boot Camp which is dependent upon LSTA funding. Tammy Peasley and Gina Rae will attempt at a small library meet and greet in Black River Falls in late spring 2018.

### **Looking ahead to 2018...new board!**

A motion was made by Schmidt to nominate Gina Rae to the vacant 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Director position. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Stormberg. Motion Carried. 2018 board announced as: Chair: Amanda Hegge (Whitehall); Chair Elect: Kent Barnard (Wild Rose); Past Chair: Jacqueline Rammer (Lakeview Community); 1st year director: Angie Bodzislaw (Spooner); 2<sup>nd</sup> year director: Amy Stormberg (Shell Lake); 3<sup>rd</sup> year director: Gina Rae (Wilton); Secretary: Jamie Hein (Clintonville); Liaison to WLA Board: Teresa Schmidt (Mercer). Duties associated with offices are posted on the WLA website. Chair and Chair Elect Orientation is Friday, January 12, 2018 in DeForest.

### **Adjourn**

Chair Rammer adjourned the meeting at 7:34pm.

Minutes submitted by: Gina Rae, October 23, 2017