Wisconsin Small Library (WISL) Section of the Wisconsin Library Association

Board Meeting Minutes

Call to Order
A board meeting of the Wisconsin Small Library (WISL) Section of the Wisconsin Library Association was called to order at 10:39am on February 24, 2017 by Section Chair Jacqueline Rammer.

Present
This was a meeting attended virtually by Erin Foley, Adams County; Jacqueline Rammer, Lakeview; Sherry Machones, Northern Waters Library System; Gina Rae, Wilton; Kent Barnard, Wild Rose; Kelly McBride, Osceola; Jennifer Friedman, Mendota Mental Health; Teresa Schmidt, Mercer and Amanda Hegge, Whitehall. Amy Stormberg was unable to connect using Team Viewer software.

Approval of Minutes
Rammer motioned that the minutes of the board meeting held on October 26, 2016 be approved as presented. 2nd Barnard. Motion carried.

Newsletter
The deadline for submission of items for the spring newsletter is March 29th. Friedman has already received articles from last fall’s scholarship winners. Members can expect the spring edition in their inboxes the first week in April.

WAPL 2017
WISL submitted three programs: It's Not "Just the Facts, Ma'am": Creating and Marketing a Dynamite Youth Non-Fiction Collection, At the Movies with Librarians and Talk it up! Non-fiction! Accepted programs have not been announced by the conference planners yet. Barnard will do a WAPL blurb for the newsletter. McBride will reserve a room for the WISL meeting.

WLA 2017
Technology was not kind in providing a vehicle for the long-range planning of this fall’s conference. Rammer, Rae & Barnard will report on this at WAPL.

DPI Director Boot Camp 2017
New Director Boot Camp will be held from September 20-22 in Lake Geneva. WISL will be hosting a social the first evening. Rammer & Rae will begin the planning process.
Committee Reports
Nominating committee: The nominating committee will be looking to fill seats for 1st year director, chair-elect & secretary. Hegge, Foley & Rae are on the nominating committee.

Scholarship Committee: A notice will be placed in the upcoming newsletter regarding two fall conference scholarships. Hegge and Stormberg are the scholarship committee. The committee will make their decision in August.

WLA Liaison Report: Schmidt reported that there are several goals in place for WLA in 2017 including increasing membership and conference attendance. There is an intention to move inactive round tables to a “Special Interest Group” status. WISL is active and robust with its section’s participation.

Legislative Update: Machones reported that a funding increase for public libraries was not included in the Governor’s budget but that there is an effort trying through the Joint Finance Committee. Bagerlink remains a part of the state’s budget.

Website Updates
McBride expects to have an update for the website’s “Sample Policies” section by the end of March. Rae will clean up some old items on the WISL page.

System Redesign
Schmidt reported that time is becoming critical in the PLSR timeline. Nomenclature is beginning to become more refined. Barnard & Machones stressed the importance of small libraries participating in the survey process which will be robust throughout this spring. Smalls should also plan on attending a presentation by the “Regions Team” at WAPL.

Adjournment
Meeting was adjourned at 11:45am by Section Chair Jacqueline Rammer. The next board meeting will be in April at the WAPL conference in Stevens Point.

Minutes submitted by: Gina Rae, March 1, 2017