



**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday, February 9, 2021**  
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**Agenda**

**Attendees:** Alyssa Koclanes, Craig Amos, Elana Karshmer, Cristy Moran, Guy Cicinelli, Jaime Goldman, Rachel Cooke, Mark Marino, Julie Hornick, Deborah Prosser

**Call to Order**

**Amendments to the Agenda**

**Approval of the Agenda**

**Old Business**

1. Review January [meeting minutes](#)
2. Review January meeting Action Items
  - a. None to review

**New Business**

1. Fall conference updates (Alyssa)
  - a. Alyssa opens discussion on the 2021 fall conference. No decisions but opening to talk about modalities.
  - b. FLA will be hybrid - some on site and some live stream or virtual. They are a bigger conference with staff vs FACRL which is smaller and only Board staffed.
  - c. Elana recommends online conference again since there's a lot of uncertainty. Also recommends making decision on modality sooner vs later so we can get the most attendance possible.
  - d. Mark suggests two things to consider: FLA's hybrid (plus Daytona location) will be happening in May *and* we may have better statewide immunity. [in chat] suggests "at most hybrid but likely virtual" based on our collective feedback.
  - e. Julie mentions that lack of travel budgets at institutions will impact many of our abilities to travel. Also liked the experience of virtual conference for last year.
  - f. Guy agrees on budget issue and benefits of deciding earlier vs later so we can plan over the next 6-8 months to increase value to attendees and sponsors (e.g. digital swag, commercials, etc.). Time provides opportunity to get creative with ideas for programming for virtual.
  - g. Cristy will be presenting at FLA virtually creating a recording of the presentation that would otherwise have been done in person. Can report back on experience to add to the possibility of creative off-site/ virtual presentations for planning.
  - h. Rachel prepared to move a motion for virtual. Some members not in attendance and a few others recommend waiting till the March meeting for a decision on the motion.

## Officer/Liaison Reports

1. President - Alyssa Koclanes
  - a. Attended ACRL Chapters' meeting. Convene 2x annually. Virtual meeting.
  - b. ACRL Chapters roster page for FACRL was out of date so updates were sent and made. They asked if we'd like to add the registration link page. There's an out of date conference link. Suggests membership page link. Will check with Member Committee (Heather) to ensure we can support it.
  - c. Around Feb 15th the call will go out for the chapter topics newsletter. Reached out to Nancy Schuler to write about 2020 conference since we submitted on last year's conference.
2. President-elect - Elana Karshmer
  - a. NA
3. Past-President - Craig Amos
  - a. NA
4. Secretary - Cristy Moran
  - a. Updated all Google Drive meeting folders as agreed on last month.
  - b. Elana's name was misspelled on previous documents and have been corrected going forward.
5. Treasurer - Valerie Boulos
  - a. NA
6. Communication Manager - Guy Cicinelli
  - a. Nominations collected in form. 17 so far.
  - b. Fielding email questions about webinar series with FLA. Will reach out with Heather for anything that needs to be answered.
7. Legislative - Deborah Prosser
  - a. FL budget update. Higher ed budget includes funding for FL post-secondary library network. Reached out to Elijah at FALSC for information. This year, each of the colleges/unis have been paying part of the budget for operations. No major losses. Three unfilled positions had been frozen are now closed. If budget proposal remains in tact then FALSC will continue operations/ stabilize.
  - b. Question from Board member about local regional consortia: Rumor that SWFLIN may close. Is this a possible fall out of the last year budget? Impact of new budget? Looks like the budget allocation would include regional consortia but that depends on local budgets/ decisions made to address shortfalls. Emails from SWFLIN included news that they might close in September. Might affect the region's libraries. Might start fundraiser.
  - c. Chat mentions that the SWFLIN consortium supports lots of public library and other training in the SW area. Possibility of sharing resources for training? Florida Library Webinars/ TBLC? TBLC made lay offs last year. Unsure about their status.

## Committee Reports

1. Membership - Heather Bush
  - a. Is meeting with Jorge next week for promotions mentioned at last meeting.
2. Marketing and Communications - Guy Cicinelli
  - a. NA
3. Nominations Committee- Craig Amos

- a. Elana has been leading the work on this committee, per Craig.
  - b. Spoke with previous candidate for president and that candidate would not like to run due to other obligations, but interested in continued participation but not offices. Did speak with another candidate who will be running.
  - c. Several nominations - some redundant. Elana will reach out to all the nominees and confirm that they want to run, submit their bio/ photo, and get info to Guy for ballot.
  - d. Elana can start reaching out this week and give 02/19 deadline. Will work with Craig and Julie via email to coordinate. Can open elections on 03/08-ish.
4. Programming Committee - Rachel Cooke
- a. Promotion going out. First session - data literacy - is already coming up. Sound check is coming up next week.
  - b. # of registrations is TBD but will email us all to let us know.
  - c. Rachel may add the webinars calendar flyer/ promo materials to the Google Drive.
  - d. Asks Board to encourage registration for the webinar next week (data literacy).
  - e. Recordings of sessions: Rachel will follow up to check if recordings will be made available after to registrants.
5. Conference Program Committee - Cristy Moran
- a. NA
6. Sponsorship Committee - Craig Amos
- a. NA
7. Scholarship - Julie Hornick
- a. NA

### **Review Meeting Outcomes and Action Items**

- Follow up on 2021 Fall Conference - March agenda item

### **Announcements**

- Next online Board Meeting: March 9, 2021 at 3PM