

FACRL Board Meeting Minutes

May 15, 2015

Florida Library Association Conference
Grand Caribe Convention Center, Caribe Royal Hotel, Orlando, FL

Board Members Present: Jonathan Miller, Gloria Colvin, Claire Dygert, Nancy Spaid, Christina Will, Anne Marie Casey, Renee Montgomery, Rebecca Donlan, Debbie Robinson, Bridgett Birmingham, Elizabeth Curry, John Harwell, Patrick Reakes

Board Members Absent: Scott Reinke, Rebecca Frank, Kim Copenhaver

Guests: Mary Ann Walton, Neida Solivan

Proceedings: Meeting called to order at 8:00 am by President, Jonathan Miller.

- **ACTION ITEM:** Approval of Minutes of 2/3/15 Board Meeting: Christina Will moved to approve. Second by Anne Marie Casey. Approved.
- **Treasurer's Report:** Rebecca Donlan presented a report showing a balance of \$6,960.52 as of May 11, 2015. Her report detailed conference revenue and expenses and she continues to work on recovering overpayment of \$1,780 from conference catering. The bank account has been transferred to national bank to make transitions in the future more efficient. New software (Wild Apricot) will cost about \$50 per month but will significantly upgrade ability to track membership which has been an issue.
- **Membership Committee:** Claire Dygert presented overview of membership issues. There are 207 members. The membership list needs to be reviewed and renewal process needs to be implemented. There is confusion with FLA membership interest group being labelled FACRL.
ACTION ITEM: Bridgett Birmingham agreed to serve as new chair of the Membership Committee since Claire is incoming president.
ACTION ITEM: Rebecca Donlan will send the Board information on the number of new members not affiliated with FLA. She estimates 50 people.
- **Regional Meeting Update:** Elizabeth Curry reported on the regional meeting hosted by UNF. Christina Will attended and added her positive feedback. The meeting was called What's Happening in Northeast Florida Academic Libraries?: Challenges, Issues, Plans & Solutions (CHIPS) and 24 people attended. It was designed to be a discussion and networking opportunity with enough focus to be a professional development opportunity that would support travel. The session began late morning and concluded at lunch time. Participants identified specific issues and small group discussions were formed. UNF provided lunch and offered an optional tour of the recently renovated Library Commons. NEFLIN co-sponsored the event by providing publicity for it. Three participants volunteered to host another session in NE Florida.
ACTION ITEM: Elizabeth will forward the evaluation to the Board. Rebecca Donlan volunteered to host a regional meeting in Southwest Florida in the spring 2016.
- **Legislative Report:** Christina Will sent an update to the Board concerning the USA Freedom Act HR 2048 which passed the House and is now before the Senate Judiciary Committee. Net Neutrality is also an issue to watch. Jonathan Miller attended the national legislative day and encouraged the FACRL Board to contact legislators.
ACTION ITEM: Gloria Colvin agreed to serve as Legislative Liaison in the coming year. Christina Will is the incoming vice-president/president-elect and she will be planning the 2016 conference.

- Conference 2015: Claire Dygert updated the Board on the 2015 conference to be held at the Harn Museum on October 16, 2015 with the title, "Tackling the Textbook Problem: Leveraging Library Resources & OERs to Reduce Costs." The group suggested fewer panelists and more speakers who can provide more in-depth information. Board members may assist as needed with sponsorships, program proposals and local arrangements.

Volunteers included: Rebecca, Ann-Marie, Bridgett, Patrick and Elizabeth.

- Membership Discussion: The FLA membership form includes FACRL as an interest group which is an incorrect designation. FACRL is a legal nonprofit organization and a chapter of ACRL. The FACRL Board agreed that FACRL should be affiliated with FLA but not as a member group which is free with FLA membership. There are several requirements in the FLA operating manual with requirements for FACRL that are outdated or incorrectly worded. FACRL has created a new membership category for non-ACRL members but the FLA form has created confusion. The FLA Board needs information to help them understand and rectify the issue with the membership form.

ACTION ITEM: Gloria Colvin and Elizabeth Curry (both FLA past-president) agreed to work on this issue and draft a proposal. After the FACRL Board approves the proposal then Debbie Robinson and Ann-Marie Casey (both FLA Board members) can present it to the FLA Board.

- Communications Report: Renee Montgomery discussed the schedule and her leave time for the summer. The membership issue is affecting the distribution list and needs to be addressed. By May 18 Renee will revise the Conference Planning Committee list and post hotel information.
Volunteers: Rebecca Donlan will be given administrative rights to the web page. During the summer there will be call for conference proposals and registration forms on the web pages. Wild Apricot should be able to handle registration. Ann-Marie Casey volunteered to assist.
- Change in officers and meeting date: Jonathan expressed appreciation to all those who served on the Board during his tenure as president. He acknowledged the contributions of Nancy Spaid and Deborah Robinson, both of whom will be cycling off the Board. On behalf of the FACRL Board Clair Dygert thanked Jonathon Miller for his leadership and presented him with a commemorative paperweight.

ACTION ITEM: Motion made by Jonathon Miller. Second by Gloria Colvin. Due to the change in the date of the 2016 FLA Conference to March 1-3, 2016, the FACRL Board meeting and change of officers will be held May 13, 2016. Approved.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 am

Submitted by Elizabeth Curry, Board
Member substituting for Secretary,
Rebecca Frank