

**MALiA Executive Board Online Meeting**  
**Friday, August 4, 2017**

**Members present:** Amanda Bailey (Washington County Public), Michael Gilley (Mountain Empire CC), Jody Hanshew (Emory & Henry), Jenny Horton (Lynchburg College), Janet Kirby (Emory & Henry), Emily Krug (King University), Carolea Newsome (UVA at Wise), Charlotte Parsons (Washington County Public), Brandi Porter (Ferrum College), Naydine Shenk (NRCC), Sandy Smith (NRCC), Sally Warburton (Pulaski County Public Lib.)

**Call to Order:** President Brandi Porter called the meeting to order at approximately 10:00.

**Minutes:** Minutes from the last meeting were approved. (Motion by Charlotte Parsons, seconded by Janet Kirby)

**Financial Report:** Janet Kirby had emailed everyone copies of the current budget and the Treasurer's report prior to the meeting. The total at this point is \$77,798.82 even though we went over on some budget items during the past year. Janet said that they would feel more comfortable if we had a total closer to \$50,000.00 although it is not required. A motion was made to approve the budget and it was approved. (Motion made by Michael Gilley, Sandy Smith seconded)

**New Business:** The next item we discussed was some possible changes to our by-laws. After some discussion of specific sections, the rest was temporarily tabled. Brandi is going to write up some potential changes and share them either electronically or at the next meeting to be voted on.

We talked about what we should do for the VLA meeting this year. We are considering an advertisement in the program and perhaps sponsoring the Youth Services track.

**Committee Reports:**

**Children's MALiA:** The next meeting is August 18<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am at the Montgomery-Floyd Regional Library in Christiansburg, Virginia. The topic is Summer Reading Triumphs and Failures.

**Programming:** The tentative date for the fall meeting is October 6, at either the Wytheville Public library or Wytheville Community College. Possible speaker is Patricia Pacheco from Loudoun County Public Library who was Library Journal's Para-professional of the Year. Topics: what para-professionals need (1<sup>st</sup> hour) and para-professional training (2<sup>ND</sup> hour). Boxed lunches would be provided at \$10.00 per person.

**Website:** Contracts are posted on the website and Jody is in the process of moving membership renewals to a web form rather than the fillable PDF document.

**Contracts:** Carolea Newsome reported. There is a formal report on the website. The liaison in Richmond was delayed in getting everything processed. Bid calculations are on the website along with names of the companies awarded contracts. The committee met on May 26 and all proposals met the criteria in the RFP.

The group talked about trying to do more with the Tennessee and North Carolina libraries. One possibility would be to tape and stream our fall and spring meetings and youth meetings (using a VEMO Camera). This could be made available to individual libraries by checking out equipment which will be housed in a certain library (?) We need to look at this and vote via email at a later date. It would be similar to what the Children's MALiA group is doing with the accucut diecast and cricket machine. Amanda will explore this.

The N.C. rep is unable to continue in her position, so we have lost all of our out-of-state reps. Brandi knows someone in Asheville who may be a contact in helping to fill this position.

The group also discussed and approved salary adjustments for the MALiA paid positions (Business Manager, Contracts Administrator, and Webmaster).

**Adjournment:** A motion to adjourn was made at 11:16 by Michael Gilley and seconded by Brandi Porter. Motion was approved.