

**Mid-Atlantic Library Alliance
Executive Board Meeting
August 26, 2019**

Present: Mike Gilley, Jenny Horton, Kelly McBride, Sandy Smith, Sally Warburton, Janet Caldwell, Sally Jones, Marci Myers, Carolea Newsome, Shannon Steffey, Jody Hanshew, Cathy Hanshew, Steve Vest, Lorraine Abraham

Mike asked if there were any changes or additions to the minutes of the April 5 meeting. Hearing none, Cathy Hanshew made a motion to accept the minutes as written and Lorraine seconded. The motion carried.

Cathy Hanshew gave a financial report including current balances of accounts and also reported that we currently have 268 members, 196 of which have paid dues for 2019-20.

Old Business - There was no unfinished business.

New Business - Elections

Kelly McBride was nominated for the position of Vice-President/President Elect and Jane Caldwell was nominated for Treasurer. Lorraine made a motion to accept candidates by acclimation, Sandy Smith seconded and the motion carried.

Committee reports

Steve Vest reported for the Scholarship Committee. There have been 2 cycles of scholarship granting since the last meeting since a new cycle was added for April 1. Four scholarships were given in April and three in July. Recipients were a mixture of new and repeat applicants. The total amount of scholarships for these cycles was \$9,000.00

There has been 1 approved program grant proposal from Sullivan County Public Library to support a robot program for teaching children to code. A Campbell County Public Library program for youth literacy and technology is in a fundraising phase for an everbrite light wall and has expressed interest in our program grant. There was much discussion about this and no decision was made. This item is tabled for further discussion at the next meeting.

The Scholarship Committee asked for volunteers to bring the membership up to 3. Sally Jones from Washington County Public Library volunteered. A motion was made to appoint Sally to the committee by Steve Vest, seconded by Cathy Hanshew and the motion carried.

There was no report from Children's MALiA.

The Program Committee reported that UVA Wise had offered to host the fall meeting but no date had been set. October 11 was mentioned as a possible date because food service would

be available on campus and it does not coincide with either of the 2 conferences for librarians in Virginia this fall. There was some discussion about the program. Safety was mentioned, but we had a program presented by Virginia Tech librarians in recent years. STEM programming was mentioned as a topic. Sally Jones will talk with the other members of the committee to settle the date and program topics and let the group know.

Carolea Newsome gave a report on Contracts and discussed the plan to get the three types of contracts on a renewal schedule one for each year. The Contracts Committee is Lorraine, Sandy Smith, Shannon Steffey, and Carolea. The Serials/Subscriptions and Supplies contracts, respectively, were renewed through June 30, 2020. An RFP will be issued for new bids in the Spring of 2020. The current Materials contract is valid through June 30, 2020 with the option to renew. Kelly made a motion to renew the contract for one year so that RFPs can be issued on alternating years. Shannon seconded and the motion carried.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenny Horton, Secretary