NSLA Board Meeting  
Wednesday, November 17, 2021  
6:00 p.m.

I. Call to Order  
Crys Bauermeister  
Meeting called to order  
6:07 p.m

Members in attendance: Jess Winter, Crys Bauermeister, Angie Blankship, Beith Eilers, Kelly Kenny,  
Courtney Pentland, Jeralyn Moser, Erin Hanna, Peggy Bourge  
Members excused: Andrea, Mary

II. Review Meeting Minutes  
a. Additions to agenda  
b. Approval of minutes Jeralyn and Beth  
i. Approved by all

III. Treasurer Report  
Beth Eilers  
a. Checking Account Balance as of 11/14 = $5,294.58  
b. PayPal Account Balance as of 11/14 = 9,623.60  
c. Checking Account + PayPal Account Total = $14,918.18  
d. FY 2022 Budget  
e. TREASURER’S REPORT  
f. Request for Payment Form

IV. President Report  
Crys Bauermeister  
a. NETA presentations 2 sessions  
i. Need and NSLA table  
1. We will need people to sit at the table  
2. Table sitting sign-up will be addressed in January  
ii. Sign up, please  
1. Ignite presenters  
a. 5 minute presentation  
2. Community connections  
a. Partnerships with community members  
b. Who are collaborating with  
c. Service projects  
b. Golden Sower  
i. NLA December board meeting may disband Sower  
ii. If disbanded, would we be interested in taking over Golden Sower  
1. Could be a big undertaking  
2. Get membership feedback  
3. Would be good if school librarians are the forefront

V. Executive Secretary Report  
Mandy Peterson  
a. A really nice thank you from Sara for the librarian of the year award  
b. Membership is up  
c. Member essentials was approved and up on the website  
d. Reminder to do your blog posts  
e. The search is on - all of the duties of the executive secretary  
i. Looking for someone to take over on July 1st  
ii. Letters of interest will go to the president as they appoint  
iii. No term limits

VI. Communications

VII. Committee Reports  
a. Academic Freedom Coalition  
i. AFCON had their annual meeting last week. Awarded Shee Covarrubias the AFCON  
Academic Freedom Award. She has spoken publicly about the book censorship that happened in Papillion last year and has created a new Facebook page for AFCON:  
Academic Freedom Coalition of Nebraska-AFCON  
ii. Lots happening in the world of book censorship. Follow the AFCON page to stay up to date. The website also has statements on many topics in the news.

b. Nebraska Department of Education  
Chris Haeflner
c. Nebraska Library Association
   Ginger Jelinek

d. NSLA
   Crys Bauermeister
   i. Next Meeting December 9th

  e. Nebraska Library Commission
     Kelly Melson
     i. 2022 One Book One Nebraska selection – Jonis Agee’s The Bones of Paradise: 
        http://nlc.nebraska.gov/publications/newsreleases/2021-10OBON_Anouncement.aspx
     ii. One notable item from the NLC is the appointment of Beth Kabes to the Nebraska Library 
         Commission board. Beth should be well known to many NSLA members both through her 
         work with Nebraska Educational Service Units and Nebraska schools, and as a former 
         NSLA president.

f. Nebraska State Advisory Committee
   Joy Harvey

g. Awards and Scholarship
   Cynthia Stogdill
   i. Next Scholarship Deadline - December 1st
   ii. We have one scholarship application so far.

h. American Association of School Libraries
   Courtney Pentland
   i. AASL Conference -- recordings & materials available to members and attendees in AASL 
      Learning Library
   ii. Not at AASL LiveBinder, Also, check out the Collaborative Notes tab.
   iii. Suggestion from one of the sessions to work with NLA lobbyist as a way to learn about 
        what is happening in the state legislature and how to work with senators
   iv. ALA Legislative Summit. Possibility that legislation like rewording of LB282 could be 
        packaged in with other bills. ALA is working on an Adverse Legislation & Policy toolkit.
   v. Re-release statement & resources?
   vi. Latest chapter delegate meeting was about how 4 states worked to get school library 
        standards adopted. Discussion in summer 2021 with NDE regarding not having specific 
        guidelines for what school librarians teach could be a springboard for standards adoption 
        discussion.
   vii. Awards and Grants https://www.ala.org/aasl/awards
   viii. Steve Tetreault from New Jersey invited Nebraska and a few other states to begin a 
        discussion about trying to put together a coalition of state SL associations to collaborate to 
        offer monthly online PD opportunities.

i. Student Representative
   Peggy Bourge
   i. From: Dr. Churchill: UNO is hiring for an Instructional Technology Leadership faculty 
      position? It’s actually listed as STEM – Digital Technology Focus. 
      https://unomaha.peopleadmin.com/postings/14244
   ii. There might be some librarians out there that fit the bill and are interested. 😊
   iii. Registration for Spring 2022 is underway and the deadline to apply for the graduate 
        programs for Spring is December 1st.
   iv. Dr. Henning: Did not really have anything but assumed the board would continue 
        discussions of changes to RULE 10.

j. NSLA Webmaster
   Mandy Peterson
   i. Blog post from Crys went up today. Scholarship post is scheduled for tomorrow and again 
      on the Friday after Thanksgiving. My blog post about AASL is scheduled next week.
   ii. Our home page, Bans and Challenges, and Professional Learning pages are our top 2 
       visited pages this month.

k. Social Media
   Mandy Peterson
   i. Rachel and Joy are going to focus on resurrecting Pinterest.
   ii. I believe Angela and I are going to focus on Buffer.
   iii. In the near future, I’d like to have one person for each social media channel to monitor 
       interactions, respond, share things from other organizations, etc.

l. Professional Development
   Erin Hanna and Nikki Dorsey
   i. Members: Dana Fontaine, Nicki Dorsey, Konni Indenbosch, Erin Hanna, Jamie 
      Hestermann, Christine Clayton
   ii. NSLD prizes update
       1. Mackin is getting their prizes out
       2. Follett has not awarded their prizes yet
   iii. NSLD Survey results
       1. Only 4 people responded
       2. Wanted more info on sub shortages, advocacy, etc.
   iv. School Librarians in the Digital Age/Todd Schlechte (NELS) update & challenge
       1. They are still organized
       2. May push back the time/date
v. NETA 2022 -- Featured Speaker Amanda Jones (2021 SLJ School Librarian of the Year! Twitter: @abmack33 https://sites.google.com/view/abmack33/home/) Scheduled in person April 21-22, 2022

vi. NSLA’s two sessions for NETA:

vii. Upcoming Professional Development

m. Membership Committee

Joy Harvey

VIII. Reminders

a. Next Meeting January 19th at 6pm

IX. Adjourned

a. Adjourned at by Courtney and Erin

b. Crys Bauermeister ended the meeting at 7:15 p.m