

## Secretary Notes

### NSLA Board Meeting Agenda

March 24, 2021

7:00 pm via zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85640502025?pwd=dIBiaXFKcFJkdUpEWkMyUzFONDfrZz09>

#### I. Call to Order

Please enter your name to signify you are present:

Mandy Peterson	Angeal Blankenship	Courtney Pentland	
Beth Eilers	Emmy Fiala	Crys Bauermeister	
Andrea Ripp			
Kelly Kenny	Peggy Bourge		
Mary Gregoski			

Mary will be absent due to parent teacher conferences.

#### Review of [Meeting Norms](#)

##### Note on Voting:

Voting is limited to members of the executive board: president, president-elect, immediate past-president, secretary, treasurer, four members of the Association elected by the membership at large and the AASL liaison.

The Executive Secretary and all other liaison positions serve in advisory capacity, and do not vote.

#### II. Additions to Agenda / Agenda Approval

#### III. Minutes from [Feb 3, 2021 Board Meeting](#) / Minutes Approval

**Motion to approve: Crys Bauermeister Seconded by Mary Gregoski**

#### IV. Treasurer's Report

Checking Account Balance as of 1/31/2021 = **Contact Board**

PayPal Account Balance as of 1/31/2021= **Contact Board**

Checking Account + PayPal Account Total = **Contact Board**

[FY 2021 Budget](#)

[YTD Treasurer's Report \(7/1/2020 to 1/31/2021\)](#)

Request for Payment Form

PDF:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0Bxk1b099wz2Pc0ZoRk1LeThIVUE/view?usp=sharing>

GOOGLE DOC:

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1B8IhVVipCJwgh4uXoedRIGu-p8s4ipgmgS7i\\_9lk19s/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1B8IhVVipCJwgh4uXoedRIGu-p8s4ipgmgS7i_9lk19s/edit?usp=sharing)

#### VI. President's Report (Angela Blankenship) / No Approval Needed

1. Election Update <https://www.neschoollibrarians.org/meet-the-candidates.html>
  - a. President Elect- Kelly Kenny
  - b. Secretary
  - c. Board Member at Large- Electing 2
  - d. Treasurer -Beth
  - e. Voting will open up March 30th - emailed, social media post, open ALL April**
2. Survey update **[Courtney Pentland]**
  - a. 167 Responses**
  - b. 123 School Librarians**
  - c. Number of applicants is lower than last time by 300?**
    - i. Different time of year (last time was fall)**
    - ii. People have a lot of communication coming each day**
    - iii. COVID**
  - d. Not sure of the benefits/Forgot to renew top**
    - i. Top two reasons for not becoming members**
  - e. Survey will give direction on where the committee's should head**
3. School Library Month update

- a. People sharing displays - Kelly Kenny created Graphic, to lead to blog post
  - b. Member Spotlight - April 2nd - NEW (Joy formatted)
4. LB282 [Courtney Pentland]
  - a. No updates from Nebraska
  - b. General consensus at this point it will not leave committee
  - c. AASL - pleased that it's not advancing but sparked interest in other states
5. Executive secretary evaluation.
  - a. Mandy Peterson - Finished by President, President-Elect
  - b. On board for another year
6. Future Meeting Dates:
  - a. April 28, 2021 (Zoom) 7:00 PM CST
  - b. June meeting date?
    - i. Last time this happened because of the Future Ready conference
  - c. July board retreat date?
    - i. Set by incoming President
    - ii. Must wait until new officers elected
  - d. Will want to do a debrief of the survey data? June? Will determine next meeting

## VII. Executive Secretary's Report (Mandy Peterson) / No Approval Needed

[Click here for report](#)

Contacted by Dorann Avey to provide sessions for FR Conference. Proposals due April 1. Proposals can be general to hold school library session spots. Link: [nefutureready.com](http://nefutureready.com) Free virtual event on June 14 and 15. Registration opens May 1. **PD team will discuss and plan**

## VIII. Communications (Anyone) / No Approval Needed

- Assistance from board members with generating social media posts would be greatly appreciated. Heads up about events you saw that we should promote, cool blog posts, awesome things librarians are doing, etc. Twitter, Instagram, or Facebook. Links would be preferred to screenshots. You can send to Emmy at [NSLApublications@gmail.com](mailto:NSLApublications@gmail.com) or Mandy at [contactnsla@gmail.com](mailto:contactnsla@gmail.com)

## IX. Committee/Liaison Reports / No Approval Needed

**1. PLEASE POST YOUR REPORTS (OR ANY INFORMATION YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE) BELOW YOUR NAME:**

**A. Academic Freedom Coalition of Nebraska (AFCON) Liaison: Kari Bulgrin**

**C. Nebraska Library Association (NLA) Liaison: Ginger Jelinek**

**D. NSLA Liaison to NLA: Angie Blankenship**

Tentative Fall Conference dates: October 13-15, 2021, Omaha

[December Meeting Minutes](#)

[January 29 Meeting Agenda](#)

**People would like it to be in person**

**E. Nebraska Library Commission (NLC) Liaison: Kelly Melson**

The Library Commission's [Now Hiring Website](#) has been revamped.

**State Legislative Session-** to watch-

LB282 – obscene materials (schools and public libraries) – no action as of yet by judiciary committee. The legislation would remove protections for schools and public libraries regarding prosecution for providing obscene materials. The focus of the proponents is children's exposure to sexual related subjects.

**F. Nebraska State Advisory Council Liaison: Joy Harvey**

- Met on March 19
- The most relevant take away for school libraries was the Expansion of the E-Rate program to include internet services provided outside of buildings such as hot spots, computers, etc.

**G. Awards and Scholarships: Cynthia Stogdill**

- Most recent recipients have been notified
- Next Scholarship Deadline - July 1, 2021

- **Given out Three or four in the last 8 weeks**

#### **H. American Association of School Librarians (AASL) Liaison: Courtney Pentland**

- As a chapter of AASL, we have the opportunity to put forth concerns and commendations. Do we want to submit a commendation for the I Love Public Schools Video? Or another partnership we have had?

#### **I. Student Representative Liaison: Peggy Bourge**

From Dr. Churchill

1. Applications for the Enhancing Education through Technology Program will open on April 1<sup>st</sup>. This funding will pay for \$175 per credit hour of the tuition for courses that lead to an endorsement in a shortage area and would apply towards School Library endorsements.
2. The UNO School Library Program shares job postings and other library-related news. To have information shared on the listserv, please reach out to Dr. Sara Churchill.
3. The University of Nebraska Omaha's Graduate School Library program, part of the Teacher Education Department, is now a fully-online endorsement program. Going forward, all of UNO's school library classes will be offered in a distance-education format. Candidates will have 4 required, synchronous, 2.5 hour classes, plus online instruction over the semester. Each class holds one class session a month virtually via Zoom and uses Canvas and other web-based tools for instruction between those monthly meetings. We believe this delivery format respects the authentic needs of adult learners looking for a high-quality graduate education experience. At this time, candidates choosing to pursue a Master's may potentially have two courses that meet in person during those monthly meetings.

Contact Dr. Sara Churchill for more information on any of these topics.

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Dr. Henning

I have been contacted by several Nebraska Public Schools administrators looking for a school librarian to fill that position at their school. I know NSLA is advertising library positions along with UNK and UNO job postings by myself and Sara Churchill. Hopefully we can get the word out.

#### **J. NSLA Webmaster: Mandy Peterson**

Besides our home page, our top three pages this month were:

- PD
  - Awards and scholarships
  - Blog
- April-- Beth... Branding your library  
May-- Kelly - Annual reports and Data  
**May switch April and May posts?**

#### **K. Future Ready: Emmy Fiala**

- The NCTE council meeting to review proposed changes (only the gray box portion is reviewed) is scheduled for January 28, 2021.

#### **L. Social Media Committee: Emmy Fiala, Mandy Peterson**

- Please include a square image with a posting request.

#### **M. Professional Development Committee: Courtney Pentland**

Previous Members: Liz Von Nagy, Dana Fontaine, and Nicki Dorsey

Adding: Konni Indenbosch, Erin Hanna, and Jamie Hestermann, Christine Clayton

[PD Committee working document](#)

**Last year sessions were live for Future Ready**

**Courtney will pop a document together to ask for help**

#### **N. Membership committee: Joy Harvey**

- Members [docs.google.com/document/d/1OThZgSURwIXmqv87kha00mlbnyDkICMsLx\\_NsMvjZAo/edit](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1OThZgSURwIXmqv87kha00mlbnyDkICMsLx_NsMvjZAo/edit): Brenna Barney, Carol Matthews, Kim Weigers, Andrea Ripp
- Developed questions for member spotlights. We have received one response and are awaiting four more.
- Promoting membership
  - Drawings for free membership or gift cards at virtual events to promote attendance
- Looking at mentoring cadres for members
- Andrea will contact the ESUs to gather a lists of new librarians so we can send them welcome packets (handwritten note, NSLA info, and maybe a coupon code for a membership discount???)

## **X. Old Business / Possible Approval Needed**

- 1.
- 2.

## **XI. New Business / Possible Approval Needed**

1. Date for fall SLD (Saturday, October 16 corresponds with NLA Library Conf)-Hilton Downtown Omaha
2. Speaker for SLD (Kristina Uihlen Holzweiss?)
3. Summer retreat - place? Date?

## **XII. Adjournment**

**Motion to Adjourn: Beth Eilers**

**Seconded by: Mary Gregoski**