



**SCASL Board Minutes
Board Business Meeting (Virtual)
January 8, 2022**

I. Welcome and Call to Order - Katherine Malmquist- 10:02 am

II. Roll Call Introduction

A. In Attendance: Katherine Malmquist, President; Heather Loy, Past President; Tamara Cox, President-Elect, Gloria Coleman, Secretary; Camellia Harris, Treasurer; Elizabeth Graham, Regional Network, Michelle Spires, Advocacy; Tandra Pingle, Archives; Jennifer Nix, Awards; Melanie Starks, Book Awards; Amanda Cox, Bylaws; Edie Crook, Editorial; Jill Tyner, Intellectual Freedom; Katherine Freligh, IT; Tenley Middleton, Legislative; Kim Mistler, Non-Public; Mike Leroy, Standards; Amy Armstrong, Paraprofessional; Tracey Burel(phone), Pre-Service; Elizabeth Gregory, Retired; Julie Putman, Supervisors; Martha Taylor, Presidential Advisor, Diane Ervin, Executive Secretary; Jenna Spiering, USC-SLIS; Loni Lewis, Diversity, Equity, Inclusion..

B. Not in Attendance:

AGENDA ITEMS

III. Updates from the President-Katherine Malmquist

- a.) Welcome- Amy Armstrong-paraprofessional chair.
- b.) Executive Executive Secretary is now a key executive to Wells Fargo Accounts so that when the treasurer changes we still have a member than can make changes.

IV. Review & Voting of November Minutes-Gloria Coleman

- a) Corrections received for minutes.
- b) Motion was given to approve minutes with corrections.
- c) Second by Julie Putnam.
- d) Motion is passed.

V. Treasurer's Report-Camellia Harris

- a) Current checking is at \$59,637.07
- b) Current savings are at \$31982.58

VI Executive Secretary's Report-Diane Ervin

- a) Conference registration is doing well.
- b) We are up to 195 in conference registrations.
- c) The registrations are averaging 10/day.

- d) Vendor registration is low. We have only 7 now. We have only 7 vendors registered-Bedford Falls, Follett, Palmetto State Teachers Association, The SC Education Association, Bound To Stay Bound, Virco, and the University of West Georgia
- e) We have three sponsors, Discovery Education, Mackin, and Virco.
- f) Refund policy was formalized and will be shared on the website for conference.
- g) Membership is up to 730 which is ahead of where we were last year as well as with conference registration in 2020.

VII - Past President Report-Heather Loy

- a) The next meeting of the Emerging Leaders is on Feb. 8 so that people can ask questions.
- b) We have 5 applications for Emerging leaders.
- c) Contact has been made with the Charleston Convention Center, and the Greenville Convention Center. They sent a proposal for a two-year contract. It is slightly less per year than the one-year contract from Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center. The Kiawah Island Gold Resort declined our venue stating that our meeting was too big for their facility.
- d) One suggestion was to check on Embassy Suites in Greenville.
- e) Greenville had only February dates available but will continue to check.

VIII - Conference Update-Tamara Cox

- a) The conference has met the requirement for hotel rooms.
- b) The schedule of sessions has been put together.
- c) The conference cancellation policy for vendors is in place. If we cancel the conference vendors will get a full refund.
- d) Vendor and attendee registration is online and active. Current registration is \$139.00.
- e) Currently, there are 53 session proposals.
- f) We are checking on two tours for Wednesday.
- g) There will be an app for scheduling sessions. A committee member will check on using the same system for evaluations.
- h) Instead of doing the trifold boards, we are requesting that committee chairs contribute to a group recorded session describing their committee, their goals, and how to join.

IX- Regional Network-Elizabeth Graham

- a) If a district is not receiving updates, let her know.
- b) The group promoted membership through SCASL Facebook and Twitter posts as well as emails utilizing the List-serv.
- c) Shared the SCASL Censorship statement, SCASL Messenger article requests, Regional News-Rise and Grind, and the Rise and Grind Breakfast invite with the Regional Network.
- d) Membership continues to trend ahead of last year's numbers.
- e) Beginning in January, a welcome email will be sent to new SCASL members.

X- Book Awards- Melanie Starks

- a) The question was asked if we needed student presenters?
- b) The committee is working on author videos.
- c) The committee is working on pursuing one sponsorship for Book Awards.

- d) The committee is having problems with commitment from sponsors.
- e) The committee will have a digital file ready in case Follett does not provide bookmarks.
- f) One suggestion was offered concerning having the child present via video.
- h) The question was asked if Bound-to Stay Bound can do the bookmarks. Heather & Katherine will find the contact information. Diane Ervin has the vendor contact (Becky Henry).
- i) Titles will be shared after the Awards.

XI. Legislative-Tenley Middleton

A. Hill Day

- a) The committee is planning a SCASL Hill Day in Columbia-Feb. 22, 2022.
- b) PSTA will be there.
- c) We gave names of those who plan to attend.
- d) We want attendance to be around 20 from SCASL.
- e) We are not sure if you want to put it out before the members.
- f) We want to give the list to the person by end of January. We will give it a week to get names in for Hill Day. Email her at tmiddleton@rhmail.org. Let Tenley know which email you prefer for contact. Feb.22nd is a Tuesday and is after a holiday(President's Day).
- g) We may be able to set up some carpool spots once we know who all are coming.
- h) Katherine Freligh asked if there will be any information to place on the website. Katherine will work on whether we will put the info on the social website.
- i) When the event happens info will be put out for others. Individuals that are going will reach out and schedule meetings with the people with their own representatives. There will be times the group will be in the galley. There will be a photo op. Those going will receive an agenda and details concerning the event.
- j) For Hill Day there may be specific legislative bills that we can ask for support or express concern about. We will know when it is closer for specific bills. We can also use general legislative concerns for education and get ideas from the SCEA and PSTA agenda.

B. Attended ALA Legislative Summit

C. Attended AASL Book Challenges Town Hall

XII. Diversity, Equity, Inclusion Committee-Loni Lewis

- a) The presentation on DEI terminology and LGBTQ+ terminology/resources will be ready for the next meeting; our slow chat can go live after that.
- b) We are working on a grant proposal to get more presenters if possible.
- c) We are working on another set of content for SCASL messenger.
- d) Our Wakelet of training opportunities should be ready to go within the next month or so.
- e) We will talk about doing the lessons at the next meeting.

XIII. Update on a visit with Molly Spearman-Katherine Malmquist, Tamara Cox, and Jill Tyner

- a) Tamara and Katherine will attend the next board meeting.
- b) Jill Tyner mentioned that the meeting went well. Overall the policy is good. It was a productive meeting.

XIV- Other Committee Business -Tracy Burel-Pre-Service

- a) I will be co-presenting with Tamara Cox, on January 31st at Mauldin HS with their program.
- b) Tamara Cox and I will also be presenting to the Anderson University Student Teachers who are about to start their practicum on January 8th.

XV-Updates-Katherine Malmquist

- a) SCASL will not attend the conference for the ALA midwinter conference. If a librarian is a member of AASL there will be \$20 off ALA midwinter.
- b) Surverys will be senf or preference on whether zoom or if we want a go-to meeting. More talk will be held at the conference.
- c) The next meeting will be at the Conference approximately during lunch.
- d) Motion to adjourn the meeting. Second by Heather
Adjourned at 10:56 am