

MINUTES
NCPLDA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
AUGUST 25, 2011
MEADOWBROOK INN, BLOWING ROCK, NC

President Karen Foss called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM.

Minutes: The minutes of the March 17, 2011, meeting were unanimously approved as printed upon a motion from Dan Barron and a second from Carol Wilson.

Treasurer's Report: Louise Humphrey presented the treasurer's report. It was accepted as presented. Louise informed the committee that she had selected Karen Foss, Mary Sizemore, and Jane McCallister as members of an informal audit committee. The group met May 6, and Louise asked them to look at a ProQuest spreadsheet of the cost to each library for the Ancestry subscription and compare with payments received. There were some discrepancies that Louise will try to resolve. Marilyn Tarshis of ProQuest wanted to add digital Sanborn Maps and ProQuest obituaries from 1851. Louise said she did not want to get involved in extra products. Payments for next year for Ancestry need to be made in December. Louise extended her thanks to the audit committee, and noted that nothing else was uncovered. She said it was suggested that NCPLDA discontinue Ancestry, but the group receives such a good discount that the decision was made to continue with it. Louise and Karen met with a CPA in preparation for the 501(c)4 nonprofit status filing. He suggested we do accounting on a calendar year basis. Karen thanked Louise and described her as "our heroine." Louise had spent a great deal of her time assisting with the 501(c)4 filing.

Bylaws: Karen began the discussion by saying it was never her intention to rewrite the NCPLDA bylaws. She was backed into it by trying to obtain the nonprofit status for the group. The group received North Carolina nonprofit status in 1982, but never got the federal non-profit status and the group never filed for taxes. Taxes were filed for 2007-2010 in August 2011. In 2001-2002 corporate law was changed. The attorney who reviewed the proposed new bylaws said they were legal. However, Karen received a lot of comment about them from members. Some of the concerns expressed were the structure of the board of directors, and how officers would be appointed. Upon the completion of the discussion, Carol Wilson moved that the executive committee accept the bylaws as rewritten. Mary Sizemore seconded her motion. The motion carried unanimously. Karen then announced that the next step is to move forward and the general membership will be voting electronically on the rewritten bylaws.

Committee Reports:

Archives – Martha Schatz - She has the rough draft of the project documenting all of the library directors for all of the library systems and libraries in the state. She has heard from 36 libraries and has 39 more to go. Martha asked for pictures of directors.

Awards – Melanie Holes and Becky Callison - The committee has met and made their selections. One award category was a tie, the pair asked if both nominees could be

given the award; the answer was yes. They received two nominations for director of the year. Last year the executive board made other nominations. Ed mentioned that there were five retirees this year. The following nominations were made for director of the year: Mike Taylor moved that Melanie Collins be nominated and Jody Risacher seconded the motion. Mike nominated Jeanne Fox; Mary Sizemore seconded the nomination. Louise nominated Frannie Ashburn, and Jody seconded the nomination. All motions for nomination carried unanimously.

Hospitality – Ed Sherry- Ed thanked everyone on the committee. He reported that there would be a small hospitality room at the December meeting.

Legislation - Mary Sizemore - Mary reported that she, Greg Needham, and Teresa K. participated in a conference call recently. There is nothing new to report. Teresa K. does not see that agencies will be asked to cut anything during this fiscal year.

Membership – Jody Risacher - The committee will be holding a dinner meeting to discuss their survey. Lynn said she would retake pictures today. As an aside, Jennifer Pratt of the State Library reported that Megan Chapman, director of the Farmville library is very sick and is receiving treatment in Chicago. The library was being run by two staff members, but Carolyn Oakley has been hired as the interim director. Cheryl Reddish has been hired as the director of the Warren County Library. Sally Klipp has been hired as the director of the Madison County Library.

Nominating Committee – Mike Taylor - He reported that there are two nominations for vacancies on the NC-LIVE advisory committee.

Website Development – Ruth Ann Copley - Ruth Ann reported that the website is still down. If problems continue, she suggested the organization pay a company to host it. Harry Tuchmyer moved and Dan Barron seconded a motion to give Ruth Ann the authority to contract with a website hosting company. The motion carried unanimously.

Program – Carol Wilson - No report.

Green Taskforce – Dan Barron – No report. Dan said he would ask the general membership if they needed anything.

Broadband – Dan Barron - MCNC is making progress on fiber construction (100mg). The staff is contacting libraries involved with the BTOP grant. Mary Boone, State Librarian: said she would like MCNC to expand to all libraries and hopes NCPLDA will keep the ball rolling.

Regional Libraries – Daphne Childers - No report other than the new regional library agreements are in place.

Municipal Libraries – Jeff Watson absent - No report other than Mary Sizemore will be the new High Point director.

County Libraries – Jody Risacher - Nothing new to report. Ruth Ann mentioned that there is a new Overdrive Consortium of 15-16 members for the under 100,000 population. Overdrive is working with Amazon. A tiered pricing system is in place: the lowest of \$3,000, includes \$1,000 for the platform and \$2,000 for content. A three year contract is required.

State Library – Mary Boone & Jennifer Pratt - A concern is the distribution of State-Aid to libraries. A large number of libraries did not make MOE. The State Library is trying to come up with an equitable way to distribute State-Aid. The State Library has never faced such a dismal economic situation. They are still working on a formula. Dan said that the State Library Commission report was sent to everyone.

Other Items - Carol Walters asked Karen if NCPLDA would partner with her to provide lunches for two library advocacy workshops to be held on November 28 – site undetermined and on November 30 at the Sheraton-Greensboro. Dan moved and Mike seconded the motion that NCPLDA would provide the lunches. It carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15.

Respectfully submitted,

Ginny Orvedahl, Secretary