

KPLA Executive Board Meeting

LFPL, Crescent Hill Branch

July 14, 2017

10am

Members Present: Mark Adler, Bessie Davis, Jenni Link, Tonya Head, King Simpson, Robert Gieszl, Jim Blanton, Shawn Fry

- Budget
  1. During the summer, only travel expenses were spent.
  2. The board agreed to pay Tom Eblen, the Lexington Herald-Leader Columnist, \$350 to present during the 2018 KPLA pre-conference. He will do a presentation on “how libraries and newspapers intersect.
  3. The board agreed to ask the Kentucky Center for Investigative Reporting to present during the 2018 KPLA pre-conference. Rob will find out whether KYCIR will charge a fee to do a presentation.
  
- KPLA Constitution, Bylaws, Policies and Procedures

The Vice-Chair Elect, Rob Gieszl, will read and make recommended changes to the KPLA Constitution, Bylaws, Policies and Procedures manual. And the other board members will read the manual and give input during meetings concerning the recommended changes to the KPLA Constitution, Bylaws, Policies and Procedures manual.
  
- KLA

KLA board meetings are held four Saturdays per year in Lexington and/or Louisville.
  
- KPLA Conference
  1. The board discussed possibly creating an FAQ for the KPLA conference.
  2. The board mentioned that the “How to Plan the KPLA Conference” document needs to be updated.
  3. The board discussed the following potential speakers for the KPLA Awards Luncheon:
    - James (Jim) Higdon, *The Cornbread Mafia*
    - Frederick Smock, Kentucky Poet Laureate
    - J.D. Vance, *Hillbilly Elegy*

For the time being, the board is focusing on Mr. Higdon, and since Jim Blanton has a personal connection to him, Jim will make the first contact.

4. The board agreed to have someone from the Southern Poverty Law Center to present on Friday at the 2018 KPLA conference.

- Vice-Chair Elect
  1. It was mentioned that in the future, it may should be a requirement for the person elected to serve as Vice-Chair Elect, to have served one to 2 years on the conference planning committee. This will ensure that the elected VCE has become acclimated to the various conference planning needs, before serving as VCE. Because the board is having a difficult time identifying a candidate to serve as the Vice-Chair Elect for the 2018 conference planning year, this will not be a requirement.
  2. It was mentioned that the board should think about identifying volunteer roles for future KPLA conferences. The board may do a call out for volunteers for the 2019 KPLA conference, during the 2018 KPLA conference.
  3. Tonya will ask Karen Kasacavage, the Woodford County Public Library Director, whether she would like to serve as the Vice-Chair Elect.

Adjourn:

Rob made the motion to adjourn at 10:50 am. King seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.