



KPLA Executive Committee Meeting Agenda
Monday, January 10, 2022
1:00 PM ET / 12:00 PM CT

In attendance: Lindsey Westerfield, Mary Ann Abner, Rachel Smith, Christina Cornelison, Mary Landrum, Rob Gieszl, Shannon Sandefur, Jean Ruark, Kinzie Gaunce, Jessica Powell

Call to Order: 1:03 PM EST/12:03 PM CST

After review of the December 6, 2021, Executive Committee Meeting minutes, Rachel made a motion to approve the minutes. Mary seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

I. Officer Reports

- a. Immediate Past Chair: no report
- b. Chair: Lindsey shared the 2022 calendar and thanked the committee chairs. She asked the chairs to share information about who's on their committees so she can work on a committee membership directory for all KPLA members.
- c. Vice Chair: Rachel shared that the 2022 Spring Conference will be in-person in Bowling Green, March 16-18. The preconference will be Wednesday, and the conference will be all day Thursday and a half day Friday. Covid protocol decisions will be made closer to the conference.
- d. Vice Chair-Elect: Jessy Griffith (not in attendance) submitted a proposed budget for attendance at PLA 2022, upon approval by the Committee. The discussion was deferred to the Old Business portion of the meeting.
- e. Secretary: Mary Ann suggested virtual meetings for the biennial membership meetings.
- f. Treasurer: no report

II. Other Committee Updates

- a. Advocacy: Jean reported that February 3 is Legislative Day. It has not yet been determined if KPLA will encourage members to attend in-person. Advocacy will be working on some talking points about including state aid for libraries in the new state budget.
- b. Awards: Kinzie reported that calls for nominations went out today. The deadline is February 25.
- c. Continuing Education: Shannon is looking into the possibility of having some of the Spring Conference sessions recorded so they may be offered to members in the future as continuing education opportunities.
- d. Intellectual Freedom: Mary Landrum reported that the committee is keeping an eye on challenges here in Kentucky as well as across the country. There will be a webinar for public librarians to inform them what they can do about materials challenges.

Mary will work on talking points for librarians as they find themselves in discussions with local political leaders and community members surrounding intellectual freedom issues.

- e. Nominating: Jessica reports that we need a Vice Chair-Elect nominee to present at the Spring Business Meeting.
- f. Public Relations/Engagement: Rob discussed KPLA's need to be more active on social media. He and Christina will work on finding someone to coordinate social media efforts for the Spring Conference.
- g. Standards: Jennifer Nippert sent in her report. The committee is meeting fairly consistently and has access to a shared document on Google Drive in which they work on suggested revisions. There is discussion of adding disaster preparedness as part of the standards. The committee and KDLA are looking into "just-in-time" ways to deliver standards training to new directors beyond the usual new directors' orientation.

III. Old Business

- a. National Legislative Day 2022 travel: ALA hasn't posted info yet. Lindsey will continue to look for updates.
- b. National conference travel for 2021 and 2022 Vice Chair-Elect
 - i. Rachel will put together a proposal to travel to 2022 ALA Annual in lieu of not attending a national meeting in 2021. She did not travel for a variety of reasons including Covid and changes within the Executive Committee.
 - ii. Jessica made a motion to authorize Jessy Griffith, this year's Vice Chair-Elect, to purchase fully refundable airline tickets to and from the 2022 PLA Conference to provide for contingencies which might require her to cancel her plans at the last moment. Jessy is also authorized to cancel hotel and other reservations associated with PLA, should circumstances so arise. Lindsey seconded the motion which passed unanimously.
- c. New Business: none

The next Executive Committee meeting will be March 16, 2022, in conjunction with the KPLA Spring Meeting. It is slated for 5:00 PM local time but may be moved to a different time that same day in accordance with the conference schedule.

Adjournment: 2:02 PM EST/1:02 PM CST