

**WLA Board of Directors Meeting
July 21, 2015
Blackboard Collaborate Online Meeting**

MINUTES

PRESENT: Darcy Brixey, Christine Peck, Heidi Chittim, Irene Wickstrom, Josephine Camarillo, Richard Council, Krista Ohrtman

ABSENT: Brianna Hoffman, Andrew Chanse, Anne Bingham

COMMITTEE AND IG CHAIRS: Alex Walker, Christy Karkowski, Diane Cowles, Frank Brasile, Jeanne Fondrie, Jennifer Wiseman, Joe Olyvar, Kelly Evans, Leah Griffin, Kristin Piepho, Megan Dazey, Nancy Ledebouer, Danielle Marcy, Geri Ventura, Electra Enslow

Staff: Dana Murphy-Love, Kelsi Brisebois

President Brixey called to order at 2:06 pm with a quorum present.

MINUTES OF APRIL 15, 2015 – *Motion made and seconded to approve the minutes from the April 15 meeting. Motion carried.*

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Darcy reviewed the Strategic Objectives that were created at the June Leadership Retreat highlighting several areas that are already in progress. It was noted that these objectives are to be used as the work product for committees and task force groups over the next year.

ALA COUNCILOR REPORT – Christine Peck had submitted her report from the ALA Annual Meeting in advance and highlighted a couple of areas. There were no action items resulting from this report.

NEW BUSINESS – WLA Treasurer, Irene Wickstrom presented the draft budget as presented by the Finance Committee. 2015-2016 is a transitional year with WLMA joining WLA; although WLA is looking at bringing in additional income, we will also incur additional expenses. We are finding our way through a new organizational structure, balancing choices between paid and volunteer help, all the while seeking to offer a good value for our membership. The most significant budgetary change is the acceptance of a larger contract with our conference coordinator in order to provide extra programming support for all three WLA conferences. This results in running a negative-based budget for the 2015-2016 year which will be offset by spending from the savings in our investment funds.

There was additional discussion about a secondary proposal from Primary Source to manage WLA's stand-alone CE needs as the CE Program Coordinator position at WSL is currently vacant and a decision has not yet been made about whether they will fill the vacant position. The secondary contract would add an additional \$8,000 to the expenses. After several minutes of discussion, it was decided not to include the \$8,000 and to revisit this issue at a future board meeting once WSL has made a determination about the position.

Motion was made and seconded to approve the budget as presented by the Finance Committee. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting adjourned at 3:12 pm.