

IOWA READING ASSOCIATION  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
JUNE 27, 2018  
SCHEMAN CONFERENCE CENTER, ISU, AMES, IOWA

- I. The meeting was called to order by President Julie Schuller at 4:47 p.m.
- II. Roll call included Julie Schuller, Stephanie Laird, Mary Daughetee, Kathleen Konrardy, Kelsey Nilles, Erick Schroyer, Michelle Swanson, Diane Bean, Nancy Wright, Julie Anderson, Kelly Neumann, Marlene Reece, and Clark Goltz. Nancy White was also in attendance.
- III. Diane Bean moved and Kathleen Konrardy seconded to approve the minutes of the June 24, 2018 meeting. Motion carried.
- IV. Approval and/or Additions to the Agenda: Kelly Neumann moved and Kathleen Konrardy seconded to approve the agenda as printed. Motion carried.
- V. Appointment of Committee to approve minutes: Marlene Reece and Erick Schroyer volunteered to read and approve these minutes.
- VI. Introduction of New Officers & Regional Directors: Julie Anderson has been elected to a new three year term as the Northwest Iowa Regional Director for 2018-2021. She had previously been finishing Tammy Hoppe's term.
- VII. Old Business
  - A. Conference Wrap-Up - THANK YOU!!! Julie Schuller, 2018 Conference Chair, expressed her gratitude for everything Board members did to make this conference a success.
    1. Joint Conference: Discussion about holding a joint conference of the Iowa Reading Association and the Iowa Association of School Librarians was held. Pros and Cons were given. Julie asked Board members to email her their thoughts of continuing a partnership and having a joint conference in 2019. More discussion will be held and a decision will need to be made at the September 29, 2018 Executive Board meeting.

## VIII. New Business

### A. 2018-2019 Committee Chair Appointments

1. Awards - Deb Saylor
2. Budget - Michelle Swanson
3. By-Laws, Policies & Procedures - Stephanie Laird
4. Creative Writing: Short Story - Becky Pashek
5. Creative Writing: Poetry - Marlene Reece
6. International Project - Kelly Neumann (protem)
7. Membership - Diane Bean
8. Merit Council - Renae Wilkening
9. Newsletter, Publications - Deb Mortensen
10. Nominations - Nancy White
11. Program - Mary Daughetee & Kathleen Konrardy
12. Technology & Literacy Grant - Renee Thomas

B. State Coordinator: Leadership update - Nancy Wright noted how gracious the hotel staff at the Gateway Hotel was during our Leadership Workshop. Event coordinator Jamie Courtney was able to give us a lower rate on the Leadership meeting room and was willing to make the event as economical as possible.

C. Budget Update – Treasurer Michelle Swanson requested that Board members not submit a voucher if they are not planning on cashing the check. After bills are submitted for the Scheman Conference Center and the Gateway Hotel, Michelle will be rebudgeting line item amounts. A date for the budget meeting involving the Executive Board will be decided soon.

D. Newsletter: Newsletter editor Deb Mortensen requests that all submissions for the fall issue be sent to her by Labor Day.

E. Staff resignation: Clark Goltz tendered his resignation as the Executive Director of the Iowa Reading Association. He suggested that Iowa Reading start now to secure his replacement. An article will be put in the fall newsletter to advertise this vacancy. A search committee needs to be formed. Clark is willing to mentor his replacement this year through the 2019 Conference.

F. Miscellaneous:

1. Poetry Chair Marlene Reece noted that a line asking for photo permission for the students will be added to the letter that is sent to all first place winners in the writing contests.
2. 2018 Conference Chair Julie Schuller presented a gift bag of items to each member as a thank you for helping at the conference.
3. Author Jerry Pallotta donated six autographed books. President Julie Schuller drew names of the six lucky Board members who were able to choose a book of their choice.

IX. Adjournment: Kelly Neumann moved and Erick Schroyer seconded the meeting be adjourned at 5:25 p.m. Motion carried.

## Announcements & Future Meeting Dates

August 6, 2018 - Budget Meeting with Executive Board members 12:30-2:00

Saturday, Sep. 29, 2018 - Executive Board 10:00pm

Saturday, Oct. 20, 2018 - Board of Directors' Meeting 10:00am, Executive Board 1:00pm

Saturday, January 12, 2019 - Board of Directors' Meeting 10:00am, Executive Board 1:00pm  
(snow date Jan. 19, 2019)

Saturday, April 6, 2019 - Board of Directors' Meeting 10:00am, Executive Board 1:00pm

Saturday, May 4, 2019 - Executive Board 10:00am

Sunday, June 24, 2019 - Board of Directors' retreat - 3:00pm Board of Directors' Meeting 5:00

Monday, June 25, 2019 - Leadership Workshop 10:00 am

Tuesday & Wednesday, June 26 & 27, 2019 - Iowa Reading Conference

Thursday - Sunday, Oct. 10-13, 2019 - International Literacy Association Conference New Orleans

Respectfully submitted,  
Nancy White for  
Deb Mortensen, Secretary

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