

EMIERT Executive Board Meeting

Monday March 11, 2019

Time: 12-1 pm PT; 1-2 pm MT; 2-3 pm CT; 3-4 pm ET

Minutes

Present

Dr. Safi Safiullah, Chair
Ms. Tinamarie Vella, Vice Chair
Marna Clowney-Robinson, Secretary
Andrea Jamison, Member-at-Large
Dr Catherine Bomhold, Roundtable Councilor
Jené Brown, the CSK Liaison to EMIERT
Briana Jarnagin, Staff Liaison

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:03 PM

- Logo redesign was discussed and to have a new logo EMIERT will work with Briana through ALA production services team. The costs ranges from \$400 to \$1,000 depending on the amount of revisions and complexity involved. Question was raised to include all members or just Board Members? Suggestion was presented to be Board and would be easier. Small committee would be formed to work on and take back to the larger Board get feedback and move forward. Catherine, Tinamarie, and Marna will work with Briana on the logo redesign and have something to share with Board.
 - Action Item:
 - Catherine, Tinamarie, and Marna will have something by next Board Meeting.
- EMIERT Committee and Taskforce changes were put together by Briana as starting points for discussion. There are three committees: Awards Committee, CSK Committee, and Electronic Communications Committee. The Electronic Communications Committee need to have committed members to update. Social media could be under this Committee, such as the defunct Facebook page and the Twitter feed. Question was raised whether this fall under the Secretary's role? Board members felt that rather than have it fall under the Secretary's role, but have this role work with this committee. More discussion at future meetings to include Membership and Programs committees since there are members on those committees. Briana brought up that the Board should decide on how the Outreach Committee should function as well as the Programming Committee.

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- Action Item:
 - Members will make comments by March 25, 2019 to ensure Briana gets the information.
- Sophie Brody Medal Award is an award given to encourage and recognize achievement in Jewish Literature. We need to wait for this Committee to share more.
- Taste of the Town at ALA Annual will be done on our own or pair up with others. Briana presented that researching a place and take the lead to choose a place that will be best for everyone. Finding a place that can accomodate a large enough group without a deposit and advertise it. Question was raised regarding funding from the committee and as a social event it is merely a social event.
 - Action Item:
 - Andrea and Safi will investigate restaurants and will share out at next meeting.
- Chair's Program updated that there is a Google document for the panel. Trying connect with panel on the phone or Google Hangouts to connect with the panel. Wants to ensure that everyone is on the same page. The panel will do more of a discussion which is different than last year and will focus more on what they have done in regards to Social Justice in their library and careers.
- Distinguished Librarian Award shared that the recipient Clara Chu will be in attendance. Present the award during the Chair's Program this year as it was done last year. Briana sent out the check request and working on the plaque to be on hand for presentation and shared that the date was changed to June 22 from 4-5:30pm. This creates an issue with the General Members meeting is at the same time as the Chair's Program. Andrea also shared that she will work on getting the Communications Committee up and running again.
 - Action Item:
 - Andrea will work on sending SSRT news bulletin to share Distinguished Librarian Award, possibly a photo of the winner.
 - Briana will check with Conference Services and share times to change the General Members meeting.

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- Jene updated CSK and shared that they are still putting together 50th and the Our Voice traveling award curated by the NCCIL and is at Richland Library in South Carolina through April 2019, then in Los Angeles in November through 2020. Touring of the illustrator Award winners. Dr. Claudette McLinn CSK Board Chair has been invited to speak in Bologna Italy at the Children's Book Fair. Question was raised about tickets for the Awards Gala and whether tickets would be available. Andrea shared that it is an invite only event and she is not sure if tickets can be purchased. Jene will discuss with CSK Chair and will follow up with EMIERT Board.

Future Agenda Items:

EMIERT's Election-2018
Membership Update
Finance update

Next Meeting: Monday, April 15, 2019

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned: 12-1 pm PT; 1-2 pm MT; 2-3 pm CT; 3-4 pm ET

Respectfully Submitted,
Marna Clowney-Robinson
Secretary