



**ALSC Online Board Meeting – September 10, 2020
FINAL Minutes as of October 29, 2020**

Attendees

Board Members: Kirby McCurtis, Amber Creger, April Mazza, Cecilia McGowan, Kimberly Patton, Maggie Jacobs, Meredith Steiner, Soraya Silverman-Montano

Staff Members: Aimee Strittmatter, Alena Rivers, Angela Hubbard, Anne Michaud, Elizabeth Serrano, Jordan Dubin, Laura Schulte-Cooper, Sarah Polen

Guests: Amy Forrester, Mary Voors, Nina Lindsay, Tanya Prax

Proceedings

- Meeting called to order at 12:00 p.m. by President Kirby McCurtis
- Board agreed to hold the meeting in an informal manner and within the guidelines of the ALSC Community Agreements document
- Agenda approved
- Meeting adjourned at 12:57 p.m.

MOTION: move to accept the ALSC board meeting minutes of August 26, 2020, motion passed

Discussion

YALSA Evaluating Authenticity in Literature for Young Adults

The Board reviewed and discussed YALSA's guidelines for evaluating authenticity. These guidelines are currently being considered for inclusion in the Odyssey Manual.

ACTION: Kirby will reach out to the Equity Diversity and Inclusion Task for and ask them to review the guidelines and adapt with a lens towards children's literature and return to the ALSC Board for further consideration.

Old Business

Membership Proposal

The Board continued their discussion of a Board Action Form containing a COVID-19 emergency membership proposal for furloughed and laid-off members. Questions around budget, deadlines and prioritization were addressed.

MOTION: move to accept the membership proposal for furloughed and laid off members up to 50 members giving BIPOC members priority, motion passed.

Review of ALSC Blog Policies and Guidelines

The Board continued its review of ALSC Blog policies and guidelines and discussed moving this topic to ALSC Connect to continue the discussion.

ACTION: The board will move the discussion of the ALSC Blog Policies and Guidelines to the Board Connect space.

MOTION: move to adjourn, motion passed.