

Meeting Minutes

Name of Group: New Members Round Table Executive Board

Type of Meeting: Board Meeting

Date Submitted: Sunday, July 18, 2010

Date and time: Saturday, June 26, 2010 10:30—12:00 Eastern

Place: Grand Hyatt, Independence G-I

Name of Chairperson: Courtney Young, President

Name of Recorder: Amanda Ros, Secretary

Attendees: Linda Crook, Networking Director; Erin Ellis, Outreach Director; Jenny Emmanuel, Councilor; Deana Groves, Vice-President/President-elect; Jacob Sherman, Parliamentarian; Emily Love, Member services Director; Nancy Gibson, Treasurer; Courtney Young, President; Amanda Ros, Secretary; Amy Harmon, Leadership Director; Laurel Bliss, Past President; Amanda Roberts, Fundraising Coordinator.

Guests: Cory Lampert; Jason Kucsma; Lorelle Swader, ALA staff.

Signature of Recorder/Secretary on Official Copy of Minutes: Amanda Ros

Body of report:

- I. Call to order and introductions.
The meeting was called to order by Courtney Young, Saturday, June 26, 2010 at 10:33 Eastern.
- II. Approval of minutes.
The Spring E-board minutes were approved.
- III. ALA Executive Board Liaison Talking Points: Courtney Young for Charles Kratz
Courtney will post the talking points to ALA Connect. Items of note included:
ALA membership as of May 2010 is 62,251
Chraskta, Director for ALA Membership Development, has launched new membership pages at <http://www.ala.org/ala/membership/index.cfm>. The “Why ALA?” section may be of particular interest to NMRT.
As of Friday, there are almost 24,000 registered attendees at Annual.
Virtual conference will be July 7-8, 2010. All Annual Conference attendees will have access to the virtual conference archives.
Donations to help rebuild Haiti libraries can be made by texting “Haiti” to 20222

Office of Diversity has received an IMLS grant to attract ethnically diverse high school and college students to the library field.

IV. New business

a. Budget

Nancy handed out the same budget as she presented at Midwinter Meeting in Boston. She will work with Kim to make minor edits to the budget as approved in Boston.

b. Budget Task Force – Laurel Bliss, chair

The task force was charged by Courtney to look at expenses and committee expenditures, not just the budget itself. This evaluation should help the NMRT Board determine if changes in funding allocations need to be made as well as reveal funds for programs and events in support of the round table's mission. Lorelle suggested getting the round table's September to May general ledger to look at line item expenses.

Board member budgets—There was discussion as to whether or not Board members other than the President need budgets. It was decided that this would be considered at a later time. Amanda Roberts asked if we should put the budgets together, or if that would create competition among Board members. Lorelle said to look at the last 2 months of the fiscal year (after Annual) for trend history.

Erin suggested merging the Student Reception and Awards Reception. NMRT took this approach for 2009's Annual Conference when 3M was unable to sponsor the Social. Courtney recommended based on feedback from members and attendees during the 2009 Annual Conference when the events were merged it was not in the round table's best interest to host a single event. Amy agreed the Student Reception should be a standalone event during Annual Conference. Lorelle suggested talking to ALA offices about sharing the expense, noting ALA's student membership is approaching 9,000 people.

c. Fundraising Coordinator report—Amanda Roberts

This is a non-voting position. Amanda recommended it remain a non-voting position. Should this position be a liaison to ERT? This would move the liaison out from under the Networking Director. Linda suggested that the Booth Committee Chair should be the ERT liaison. Amy agreed. It was suggested that the round table create an "NMRT Friends" group to elicit donations from NMRT alumni.

d. Proposal to revise 3M/NMRT Social Committee name and charge—Linda Crook

This proposal was posted on ALA Connect. There was no discussion on the proposal. The motion passed unanimously.

e. Update on online orientation—Jenny Emmanuel

Jenny had no update on the online orientation project. In exploring the technical aspects of the project, Jenny was advised by Jenny Levine, ALA Staff member, to hold off until after Annual. Jenny intends on pursuing the project in September. Courtney suggested that Deana create a task force. Lorelle suggested using a new tool on ALA website—iLink.

f. Social networking discussion and proposal—Linda Crook, Deana Groves

Creating Facebook events and Twitter postings for NMRT is currently done on an ad-hoc basis by members of the board. There was agreement that NMRT's social networking presence is strong but would benefit from delegating the responsibility to one member of the board. A proposal to add these tasks as responsibilities of the Secretary will be brought to the board at the fall e-Board meeting.

- V. Announcements—Deana Groves
 - a. Conference 101 will be Friday at 1:30p.m. during future Annual Conferences.
 - b. Deana initiated a discussion regarding the current schedule of NMRT meetings and events. There was consensus that the 2009-2010 schedule had worked well and there was no need to change it at this time.
 - c. New Board Member and New Committee Chair orientations will be online using iLink in early August. The PowerPoint slides used in the orientation will also be posted on ALA Connect.
 - d. Deana thanked Courtney and presented her with a plaque.
 - American Library Association
 - New Members Round Table
 - In Appreciation
 - for your leadership and service
 - Courtney L. Young
 - NMRT President
 - 2009-2010
 - e. Courtney thanked Laurel Bliss (outgoing past president), Erin Ellis (outgoing outreach director), Linda Crook (outgoing networking director), and and Amanda Ros (outgoing secretary) for their service to the board and NMRT.
- VI. Adjournment—Courtney adjourned the meeting at 11:45 Eastern.