

**Core: Leadership, Infrastructure, Futures  
a Division of the American Library Association  
Board of Directors Meeting  
September 20, 2022; 3:00-4:30 pm CDT  
Location: Virtual**

**Draft Minutes**

**Members Present:**

Margaret Heller, Presiding  
Rachel Fleming  
Wendy Tressler, President-Elect  
TJ Lamanna  
Evviva Weinraub Lajoie  
Lauren Corbett

**Staff:**

Kerry Ward  
Julie Reese  
Jenny Levine  
Tom Ferren  
Brook Morris-Chott  
Mia Blixt-Shehan

**Ex-Officio:**

Don Allgeier  
Cara Calabrese  
Alexandra Rivera

**Absent:**

Lindsay Cronk  
Andrea Berstler  
Tyler Dzuba  
Kellie Barbato

**1. Introductions**

President Margaret Heller called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm CT and welcomed the Board, Core members, and staff in attendance.

**2. Adoption of Agenda**

MOTION passed to adopt agenda.

**3. Adoption of Consent Agenda**

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| Consent Agenda                       | Doc: 23.01 |
| 2022 Annual Conference Board Minutes | Doc: 23.02 |

MOTION passed to adopt consent agenda

**4. President's Update (Heller)**

- a. Core year to date report
- b. Fundraising and Sponsorships update
- c. Funding Liaisons: Liaison to PCC/PoCo
- d. Staffing/Executive Director

Heller provided a Core year-to-date report and gave a status update on the Fundraising and Sponsorship committee. She then announced Kerry Ward's departure from the role of Core Executive Director and welcomed Julie Reese as Interim Executive Director.

The Board discussed the need for providing funding for Core liaison travel to in-person meetings, such as PCC. The Board members proposed the possibility of creating a general fund for liaison travel rather than making long-term decisions on which specific liaison positions to fund. President Heller will bring this idea to the Fundraising Committee with the potential to pilot this next year.

## 5. ALA Bylaws Revision Update (Fleming)

Division Councilor Rachel Fleming discussed the first draft of the major revisions being proposed to the ALA bylaws. The Board was encouraged to provide input on these revisions by completing the governance form for feedback on the ALA website. Further revisions are planned for this fall and a discussion will be held at LibLearnX in January.

## 6. Operational Updates

- a. Budget (Ward)  
April FY22 Financial Report                      Doc: 23.03  
FY23 Budget    Doc: 23.04
- b. Membership Report/FY23 Planning (Levine)  
Membership Update ([Board Connect Dashboard](#))
- c. 2022 Forum and CE Update (Reese/Ferren)  
Continuing Education Update By Date/Type ([Board Connect Dashboard](#))
- d. Publications/Journal Planning (Morris-Chott)  
Publications Report                                      Doc: 23.05

Core staff provided updates on FY22 budget, membership, Core Forum planning, FY22-23 webinars and web courses, as well as publishing and journals.

## 7. Development of Core Strategic Plan

[Stakeholders and Changes exercise](#)

[Draft of Strategic Plan](#)

FYI - [2021-22 Core Strategic Action Plan](#)

The Board began development of the Core Strategic Plan. Key ideas that emerged included:

- Emphasis on structural assessment and general assessment capacity
- Gaining and engaging members through advocacy efforts and extending trainings to all career levels in libraries
- Solidly defining the roles of Core committees

## 8. Adjournment

MOTION passed for adjournment at 4:30 pm CT.