MichALL Board Meeting Minutes

Annual Spring Business Meeting, Friday, May 15, 2020

Board Members present – Jane Meland, Robin Linkowski, Alicia Dyer, Joel Scheuher, Marlene Coir, Jessica Fields, Kathryn Polgar

Call to Order – the meeting was called to order at 10:30 am by Jane Meland (18 attendees)

Approval of Previous Year’s Minutes – 2019 minutes were approved by the Board at 10:31 am

AALL Update – AALL Board liaison Elizabeth “Beth” Adelman provided an update at 10:32 am

- MichALL celebrates its 40th Birthday this year
- Several MichALL members are serving in various roles within AALL
- AALL in-person annual meeting is going virtual for 2020 and will cost less, with future meetings to be held in Cleveland, Denver, Boston, Chicago, and Portland
- More educational programming, including asked-for topics such as budgeting
- Continued support of UELMA legislation in states that haven’t yet passed it
- 90 day grace period for dues for 20-21; discount available for recently unemployed
- Career Center upgraded and now shares its login with the AALL site
- AALL Consulting Service pilot project; those with 10+ yrs experience welcome to apply
- LLMC Digital Archive transitioning to Northwestern in Chicago

President’s Report – President Jane Meland summarized the past year of activity at 10:49 am

- MichALL offered two educational meetings in 2019
  o May at MSU with guest speakers on library laws and digital lending
  o October joint ORALL meeting in Sandusky, OH with keynote on voting rights
- Virtual programming in the works for 2020

Past President’s Report – Alicia Dyer thanked the Board and said it was bittersweet to leave after serving for 6 or 7 years.

Vice President’s Report – Robin Linkowski shared her goals for the coming year:

- Increase Membership by reaching out to public, special, and library student listservs
- Increased Committee Activity, particularly in Membership and Website
- Demonstrate MichALL’s Value to current and prospective members
  o More Educational Programming, in the form of one-off online sessions

Treasurer’s Report - Joel Scheuher shared the financial health of the association and his transition plans:

- Funds will have increased by ~$250 by the end of the fiscal year on June 30th
  o $275 is about average based on recent years
May wish to consider this in future talks about potential dues increase

- Transition to incoming Treasurer has begun
  - Deadlines for tax returns, business license, etc.
  - Will transition bank account and documents as able, with some shutdown delays
- Worked with Brent on website to update listserv info and enable online payments

Secretary’s Report – Jessica Fields thanked the Board for the opportunity to serve again. Nothing to report.

Committee Reports

- Newsletter: Kathryn Polgar is looking for news for the next issue; Brent Domann asked if the volume numeration could be reinstated both retroactively and going forward
- Archives: Virginia Thomas has legacy materials at WSU; unable to meet with committee chair Katherine Okonowski in March due to shutdown
- Nominating: Tim Innes was thankful for the experience; Joann Rutkowski thanked Virginia Thomas for the correspondence from previous years that helped in 2020
- Digital Services: Brent Domann had no report but would like to see a job board and on-demand educational programming recordings added to site

Introduction of New Board Members:

Newly elected board members:
- Brent Domann (MSU College of Law) – elected Vice President/President Elect
- Lillian Steuben (Dickinson Wright) – elected Treasurer
- Daryl Thompson (MSU College of Law) – elected Member at Large

Continuing board members:
- Robin Linkowski (Miller Canfield) - Vice President/President Elect
- Jane Meland (MSU College of Law) – transitions to Past President
- Jessica Fields (Miller Johnson) – replacing Brooke Minore as Secretary
- Kathryn Polgar (WSU College of Law) - Member at Large

Recognition of members whose terms have expired:
- Alicia Dyer (US Court of Appeals, 6th Circuit) – Past President
- Joel Scheuher (University of Michigan) – Treasurer
- Marlene Coir (WSU College of Law) – Member at Large

Other Business – none

Adjourn – Meeting was adjourned at 11:18 am.