DALINC Business Meeting

May 23, 2019

Loras College – Special Collections Room

Attendance: John Leonard Berg, Bill Carroll, Susan Ebertz, Becky Heil, Susan Henricks, Victor Lieberman, Joyce Meldrem, Katie Pauls, Shirley Vonderhaar, and Michael Wright.

The DALINC Business Meeting was called to order by President Vonderhaar at 8:37 a.m.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Susan Ebertz, seconded by Mike Wright; motion carried.

A motion was made by Mike Wright to approve the March, 2019 minutes, seconded by John Leonard Berg; motion carried.

A motion was made by Victor Lieberman to approve the Treasurer’s Report with corrections outlined by Joyce Meldrem (see below), and seconded by Katie Pauls; motion carried. Corrections include:

* 1. The spelling of Shirley Vonderhaar’s last name
  2. Correcting a typographical error in the word Driftless

**Old Business**

Spring Conference, 2020 - Discussion took place regarding planning for next year’s spring conference and the consensus was that planning can begin now. The tentative date is April 3, 2020. Alternate date would be April 17th.

MOBIUS update – Becky Heil reported that academic libraries can receive a $5,000 grant to join an alliance for interlibrary loan. The State Library sent out an RFP for a statewide delivery service and the outcome should be known soon. At this time the total cost and funding that may be available is not known. The State Library could not fund the program entirely. Other models can be discussed when the cost of service is known; for example, one option may include some buy in from Iowa libraries.

DALINC website – Michael Kerth, from Carnegie-Stout Public Library is redesigning the DALINC website and will migrate the new website. He recently received credentials from Joyce Meldrem to begin this work. Susan Henricks will follow up to find out the anticipated date of completion. Susan Ebertz noted that the existing web site is paid until February of 2020.

Survey Monkey – Membership to Survey Monkey expires this August. Discussion followed about having a DALINC email address to make this service more accessible to DALINC members. It was reported that if the website is moved to a different host, then we will need a new email address, otherwise the existing one will continue. Joyce will investigate further regarding options for email.

Social Event – John Leonard Berg discussed the decrease in participation for the annual social event. Discussion followed about the difficulty for public librarians to get away at mid-day in the middle of summer due to summer reading programs. After hours programs are not very popular. Bill Carroll suggested a staff development day for members that will incorporate continuing education, networking opportunities, and social aspects. Becky Heil noted that using profits from conferences for social events is uncomfortable. Discussion will continue at the July meeting. In the meantime, Joyce’s retirement party is June 27, and will be considered the social event for 2019.

**New Business**

Election of Officers – A motion was made by Mike Wright to accept the slate of officers: Victor Lieberman, President; Katie Pauls as Vice President; Susan Ebertz as Treasurer, and Susan Henricks as Secretary. The motion was seconded by John Leonard Berg; motion carried.

Retirement Party for Joyce Meldrem – John Leonard Berg reported that the June breakfast meeting will be replaced by a retirement party for Joyce. The original party was going to be held at Miller Park, but it remains flooded. He is working now to move the party to Eagle Point Park. The party will be held between 11:00 and 1:00 on June 27th with lunch catered by Hy-Vee. DALINC member libraries are invited. Discussion held as to whether to require an RSVP. In lieu of this a sign-up sheet was circulated.

July DALINC Meeting – The July meeting was scheduled for Highland Community College, but members had expressed concerns about distance of this location due to time away from work. Alternatives were discussed. It was agreed to continue with the DALINC meeting at Highland Community College in Freeport on July 18 with a start time at 9:30 a.m. We need to leave Dubuque by 7:30 a.m.

Future Meetings – Cascade and Wartburg have switched dates for meetings and Wartburg will now host in January of 2020.

Annual Report – President, Shirley Vonderhaar submitted an annual report for review. A motion to accept the annual report was made by Mike Wright with a second by Susan Ebertz; motion carried.

From the Floor – The East Dubuque Public Library has sent in dues to join DALINC. President, Shirley Vonderhaar, pointed out that we have not formally accepted the request for membership, although dues have been paid for two years. A motion to accept the East Dubuque Public Library as a member was made by Susan Ebertz and seconded by Joyce Meldrem; motion carried.

Susan Ebertz sent out an updated email list to the group.

A motion to adjourn was made by John Leonard Berg and seconded by Susan Ebertz; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

Minutes submitted by Susan Henricks