PLS Minutes - 3-9-2023 Virtual

Present: Sandra Lovely, Carrie Lee, Laura Highfill, Lindsey Shuford, April Llewellyn, Jeffrey Hamilton, Lynda Reynolds. Joan Sherif

Sandra called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

<u>Minutes</u>

The minutes meeting were reviewed. Laura made a motion to approve, and Carrie seconded the motion which passed.

Directors' Reports

None at this time.

New Business

The Marketing Committe has met several times with a good response. Two new members have joined.

<u>PLS Bylaws</u>

Sandra reported that the PLS bylaws have been approved with a few edit changes and have been uploaded to the website.

Vacant Positions

Carrie Lee has agreed to serve as chair in the upcoming biennium. The Vice Chair is open at this time.

Laura Highfill and Linsey Shuford agreed to stay as Directors. Rachel Webb will send out the election form. Since Jeffrey Hamilton will be retiring, Lynda Reynolds has agreed to join PLS to represent the State Library.

NCLA Bienneial Conference Program

The window has opened for proposals for the conference for open submissions with no set number. There was a discussion about the possibility of a luncheon and a wine and cheese event. Carrie Lee is following up on author suggestions. There was discussion about the possibility of co-sponsoring with other sections. Sandra reported that the budget is good so it is possible to pay an honorarium for a speaker. Other possibilities included a panel discussion on censorship and one on sensory rooms.

Committee Chair Reports

Adult Services - Carrie is looking for a new chair since she will be chairing PLS. A notice will be put out to the NCLA membership. There was discussion about changing to a Program Committee including offering programs throughout the year. There was discussion about the possibility of combining Adult Services and Outreach. Rachel will send out additional information to the membership.

State Library Report

Jeffrey Hamilton said that the LSTA grant window is closed. Staff will begin reading grants, and announcements of awards will be made in June. The Southeast Collaborative meeting that includes NC, SC, GA, and TN will be held online. It is a free two and a half day conference that will be recorded and available through the State Library. Jeffrey announced that he will be retiring in May. Lynda Reynolds will serve as the new PLS liaison. She said that she is looking forward to joining. Lynda announced that the Assistant State Librarian position applications has closed.

The next meeting will be April 13, 2023 at 10:00 am.

Respectfully submitted, Joan Sherif Secretary