

CAYAS Meeting Minutes  
November 2, 2017  
WLA Tacoma—Hotel Murano

In attendance: Beth Bermani, Elizabeth Doenges, JJ Higgins, Conan McLemore, Elizabeth Myers, Rosalie Olds, Whitney Winn, and Jennifer Wooten

- We went around the table for introductions and role in CAYAS, including two newly appointed board members: Elizabeth D., and JJ Higgins.
- Rosalie volunteered to help Elizabeth D., with the visionary award committee for next year if needed.
- Rosalie outlined the new budget process changes that she learned at a recent WLA retreat.
  - WLA wants to get more people into sections, so there will no longer be a charge for those.
  - Sections will now get a budget to work with. We can still make money if we want to by holding events and charging for them, but we don't have to.
- The newsletter editor position went away and the secretary position is now the communications officer.
- Jennifer asked for suggestions on best practices for email/communications for CAYAS membership.
  - Rosalie suggested that getting info into the WLA Wednesday emails would probably be the best.
  - Whitney mentioned that we should keep asking about social media even though WLA has discouraged that in the past. A Facebook page would be useful.
- We need to recruit new iSchool representatives.
  - Since elections are over, people can be appointed.
  - Elizabeth M., will look for two first year students who are willing to take this on.
  - Elizabeth M., also mentioned there is an iSchool blog that maybe CAYAS board members can contribute to as mentors for future librarians.
- Whitney brought up the idea of a CAYAS YouTube channel for book talking and professional development. We could put a link to it on our CAYAS website.
- We brainstormed ideas to try to increase the benefits of CAYAS to others.
  - We could host a workshop on "They didn't teach me that at library school."
  - Or create podcasts.
  - Another topic: marketing yourself for library interviews.
- Jennifer proposed a restructure of the board positions and their duties. It gets confusing keeping track of what position does what.
  - Should board positions go to one year positions?
  - Maybe we only need three board positions? Right now there are two out of four board positions still open.

- Jennifer will write up a proposal and send it out for electronic vote.
- Jennifer, Conan, and Whitney will try to meet to try to simplify the board positions and their duties.
- For now, JJ will move to board position 4.
- The goal is to restructure it to make more sense.
  
- Action items:
  - Jennifer will contact WLA about changes to our board expectations and terms
  - Jennifer will follow up on social media to see if we can create a Facebook page
  - Jennifer will send Conan and Beth WLA-CAYAS website login info.

The meeting adjourned at 1:00pm.

Beth Bermani, Communications Officer