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ELECTED POSITION: WLA PRESIDENT

DESCRIPTION: The WLA President takes office following one year in the elected position of Vice-President/President-Elect. Election is by majority of ballots cast by WLA membership. Election shall be declared no later than November 1, and office shall be assumed on January 1 of the following year. Incumbent is a voting member of the WLA Board.

NOTE: Requires considerable time and support to carry out responsibilities.

RESPONSIBILITIES:	OFFICERS, INTEREST GROUPS AND OTHERS INVOLVED	ACTION REQUIRED	TIMELINES
Presides over regular meetings of the WLA Board of Directors Prepares in advance for decision-making and policy formation at Board meetings Responsibly reviews and acts upon committee recommendations brought to the Board for action Evaluates performance of Board and Executive Management	WLA Board	Attends all WLA Board meetings and planning retreats, WLA annual conference Takes responsibility for self-education on the major issues before the Board Participate in the annual board director self-review process and executive management performance evaluation	Quarterly, including Annual Conference, Fall Planning Retreat Meetings may be in-person or online Annually
Chief Executive Officer of WLA with all associated legal responsibilities	WLA membership, Board, WLA staff	Signatory authority for WLA Assures that WLA meets all requirements for current certificates, licenses, etc., and submits all official reports as required by law Interprets WLA Bylaws as applied to specific circumstances, subject to Board and/or membership endorsement	
Responsible for administration of WLA funds	WLA Board, Finance Committee, Treasurer	Signatory on all accounts, contracts and agreements of WLA and Interest Groups (may designate signatory authority) Sits on Finance Committee Approves WLA expenditures and binding contract	
Responsible for achieving effective communications throughout the association	WLA membership, Board, WLA staff	Presides at Board and Executive Committee meetings	

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	Alki	Along with Executive Director establishes meeting dates, locations, and agendas Chairs Executive Committee and informs Board of any meetings and their results Assures continual sharing of information between and among the board, committees, and membership Prepares WLA Presidents column for each <i>Alki</i>	
Authorized to hire, appoint, or contract to meet association needs, as well as terminate or otherwise discontinue agreements, with Board approval	WLA Board, Legislative Committee Treasurer	With Board approval: Hires Executive Management, Legislative Liaison, CPA services, legal counsel, <i>Alki</i> editor, etc.	Annual or biennial contract renewal for long term positions
		Sets goals and identifies priority activities and timelines in coordination with staff.	Quarterly or annually
		Evaluates Executive Management and Legislative Liaison in conjunction with Board	
		Maintains files of staff evaluations only for time person is employed by WLA	
Sets directions for WLA in conjunction with Board	WLA membership, WLA Board	Provides for update of WLA Strategic Plan in cooperation with Board and Committee Chairs.	At beginning of office and as needed.
		Establishes written criteria, expectations for activities of committees and task forces in conjunction with Board	
		Appoints Standing Committee Chairs	
		Appoints Ad Hoc Committees	
Leads library advocacy efforts	Legislative Liaison, Federal Relations Coordinator	Oversees, coordinates, and evaluates activities of Legislative Liaison	Frequent communications with Legislative Liaison and Federal Relations
		Prepares contract for Liaison position	Coordinator

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Communicates with organizations, associations, and individuals representing WLA and its policies, positions, and views both formally and informally May delegate these responsibilities as appropriate	Library community Elected officials Citizens State Library Other library associations, organizations, or informal groups	Responds to information requests from government, legislature, and individuals concerning Washington libraries as well as WLA positions or policies Corresponds or otherwise communicates with associations or groups interested in library services Attends reciprocal Board meetings, invites representation from other associations to WLA Board meetings and conference	On request As appropriate As appropriate As requested
		Nominates or appoints persons to represent WLA on non-WLA committees, study groups, etc.	
Executes non-contractual agreements	Other library associations, organizations or informal groups	Reviews and/or negotiates reciprocal association agreements	As needed