

Alaska Center for the Book
Board of Directors
Annual Meeting
Wednesday, June 22, 2016

The following board members attended the annual meeting held at the wonderful home of Tricia Brown: Lila Vogt, , Jathan Day, Zeb Kraft, Camille Oliver, Trish Jenkins, Carol Sturgulewski, Tricia Brown, Christina Gheen, and Sara Juday. Others attending included: Beth Waetjen, Alaska Book Week Coordinator and her husband Christopher, and Hannah Johnson.

MINUTES from the May meeting were approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Lila reported that our fund balance is \$7,383.80. She will send the report to Sara for posting in DropBox. Lila also noted that the only donation revenue received this year is from the Pampered Chef event. No personal donations have yet to be made from board members or other individuals, but usually receive donations via Pick.Click.Give.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

Camille reminded members that the president and vice president serve for two years, with the vice president becoming president after the 2 year term.

The following slate of officers was approved:

President: Rayette Sterling
Vice President: Christina Gheen
Secretary: Zeb Kraft
Treasurer: Lila Vogt

A discussion followed about how we might provide back-up and assistance to Lila, our long-serving treasurer. Camille had offered to train with her to help. Christopher Waetjen had also expressed interest in helping. This will be decided by Lila and the other officers.

A big thank you to Camille Oliver for serving as president the past two years. And discussion followed regarding other thanks and ways to recognize contributions by key people.

NATIONAL BOOKFEST

- Lila will confirm the budget.
- Page started work on the paperwork for COSLA.
- Zeb Kraft and Hannah Johnson have volunteered to go.
- Page and Christina are working on gathering the handouts. There was discussion of items to gather. Barbara Brown is still the contact for the Seafood Marketing Institute. It is expected that the shipping will occur in mid-August to early September.
- The book selected the Great Reads map of the states is Charlie and the Blanket Toss and Alaska Northwest Books will provide bookmarks and sample books. They will need the shipping instructions as soon as those are available.
- Tricia B. volunteered to go if Hannah cannot.

ALASKA BOOK WEEK

- Beth and Tricia reported that events are shaping up.
- A possible conflict with a conference scheduled before Alaska Book Week was discussed and it was determined that Alaska Book Week could proceed with a panel discussion on the book from idea to print with a 30 minute section presented by Friesen's, a new sponsor.
- Discussed final evening event celebrating the Creative Writing and Letters about Literature contest winners. Lavonne, an intern with Trish Jenkins, has agreed to help with this. If we want to include a silent auction for the evening, we will need a coordinator.
- Last weekend in September something is happening and the Friends of the Library could probably support with \$100, according to Carol. Event might be able to be held at UAA. Request would need to be made by August.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO LITERACY IN ALASKA (CLIA) AWARDS

- Dessert reception and presentation of awards will take place on Tuesday, July 12 at 7:30 p.m. in ARTS 150 at UAA.
- Winners are Regan Brooks who founded Story Works Alaska; Don Rearden, author, professor, and dedicated supporter of writers across the state; and Kathryn Ohle, professor of early childhood education who has led a project to translate early

reading books into Alaska Native languages and make them available free both in print and digitally.

- Carol has chaired this committee for many years now and would like to recruit a new person to chair or at least assist. Timeline for work begins in Feb. with promotion of call for nominations. Deadline for nominations is generally late April. Next is organizing committee and making selections, notifying winners, ordering plaques, organizing presentation event, writing and distributing press release announcing winners and presentation event.

MAILING ADDRESS:

- Board agreed to secure a PO Box at the branch near the Loussac Library.
- Lila will arrange this and obtain keys for the president, secretary and treasurer.

SHARYN MCCRUMB BOOK SALES:

- Carol and Camille will help with book sales at this author event. Camille has Square and an iPad that can be used to take credit card payments. She and Carol will coordinate with Friends of the Library to make this work.

ALASKA NATIVE HERITAGE MONTH:

- Ernestine Hayes is scheduled to be in Anchorage in late October. Could this work as a kick-off to Alaska Native Heritage Month (November).
- Other ideas, please contact Carol.

NEXT MEETING:

- Agreed to move monthly meetings to 4th Thursdays.
- Will meet next on August 25 at Loussac.