



EBALA Board Minutes
Thursday, February 11, 2016
12:30 p.m.

Attendance: Joy Buchanan, Margot Canapa, Elizabeth Kohlman, Andrea Everage, Brian Nervis, and Karin Wiborn (by phone: Ann Eikenberry and Tina Riehl).

Absent: Stacey Bales, Brenda Barry, Rachel Estes, and Nancy Neves

The meeting was called to order at 12:35 p.m.

A. Minutes

1. Minutes of the January 12, 2016 Board of Directors meeting were approved (motion by Ms. Canapa; seconded by Ms. Eikenberry).

B. Treasurer's Report

1. Discussion of the financials was tabled.

C. Membership

1. No new members were announced; however, new member, Kara Koeberle, will be joining the Board as co-Chair to the Newsletter with Ms. Wiborn.
2. ALA has requested all Chapters ensure members of the Chapter were also members of the Association.

D. Business Partners

1. Ms. Eikenberry reported the following renewals:
 - a) EPIC renewed on 1/21/16.
 - b) There are 3 - Mt. Diablo, 6-Oak and 7-Grapes to Wine sponsors. This brings the Chapter \$23,500.00 in funds.
 - c) Ms. Kohlman has been provided all logos for placement on the Website.
 - d) An email to all Business Partners will be sent advising of how to access the Membership Directory via the website and introducing Margot as the new BP contact.
 - e) Business Partners are inquiring about how to access LinkedIn and Facebook and what they can post the sites.
 - f) Business Partners are requesting dates of socials and programs they can sponsor.
 - g) John Geary, Account executive with Nuance Communications, is a potential business partner. He would like to get engaged with the Chapter next year. He was referred by Suzanne Lawler.

E. Programs

1. No report.

F. Website

1. Ms. Kohlman has made significant updates to the website.
2. Discussion was had concerning contracting with a Chapter Professional to assist with website updates.

G. Newsletter

1. Ms. Canapa reported the Newsletter is in production.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Morning in the East Bay

1. Ms. Kohlman discussed her findings of the variance in costs from 2015 to 2016. Costs were \$1,000 more 2016 (\$7,990.64) than 2015 (\$6,818.57). There were 17 members and 20 guests in attendance.

B. Bylaws

1. The Bylaws need to be updated to consider ALA's recent change with respect to Associate membership – whether they can or cannot serve on the Chapter's Board. Updated Bylaws are due to ALA by July 1, 2016. Ms. Wiborn has volunteered to ensure the Chapter's Bylaws are in compliance.

C. Nominating Committee

1. 24 ballots were returned. The slate of officers was approved as presented. Ms. Buchanan will advise the Membership of the results:

Andrea Everage, President	Elizabeth Kohlman, President-Elect
Stacey Bales; Secretary	Brian Nervis, Treasurer
Joy Buchanan; Past President	Joy Buchanan; Programs
Pamela Dutra - Membership	Karin Wiborn/Kara Koeberle Newsletter
Elizabeth Kohlman; Web/Communications	Tina Riel/Nancy Neves At Large
Margot Canapa Business Partner Relations	

D. Cross-over Board Meeting

1. The meeting has been set for Tuesday, March 22, 2016 at Postino in Lafayette. The Board meeting will begin at 3:00 p.m., followed by dinner at 5:00 p.m.

E. ALA Webinars

1. Ms. Buchanan will be looking into the possibility of the Chapter purchasing ALA webinars through its new vendor, Peach New Media.

NEW BUSINESS

F. CLI Changes

1. ALA will no longer automatically sponsor one Chapter member's attendance to Chapter Leadership Institute. Going forward, ALA will help subsidize a chapter member's attendance on a need basis. Chapters needing financial assistance may make application. There have been no other changes to the CLI offering. EBALA will continue to send two members to CLI at its expense. The conference will be in Ft. Worth July 21-23, 2016
2. The Business of Law Conferences will be renamed Fall Conferences.
3. Shawn Morrison will be the new Region 6 Director.
4. ALA will be calling for volunteers for the Membership Task Force and the Conference Strategy Task Force.
5. Presidents' Award of Excellence is due at the end of February. Ms. Buchanan will work closely with Ms. Riehl to get the submission completed timely.
6. EBALA received a tax notice indicating \$2,855.95 for tax year 2007/2008, as a fine for late filing. The accountant recommends the Chapter contact the IRS to ask for a waiver.

G. Next Meeting

1. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:37 p.m. The next Board meeting is scheduled on March 22, 2016 at 3:00 p.m. at Postino Restaurant.

Respectfully submitted,



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