

Minutes
Oklahoma Department of Libraries
ODL Board of Directors
February 21, 2014
1:30 p.m.
South Conference Room

Chairman Jon Douthitt called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. and asked for roll call. Board members present: Jana Barker, John Douthitt, Judy Haught, Phil Moss, Ann Ritchie, and Susan McVey, Secretary. Absent: Don Evans and Hannibal Johnson.

Guests and staff members present: Melissa Askew, Jan Davis, Karl Kramer, Vicki Mohr, Cindy Mooney, Kitty Pittman, Vicki Sullivan, Pat Williams, Cathy Van Hoy and William Young.

In conformity with the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act, advance notice of the 2014 regularly scheduled meetings was transmitted to the Oklahoma Secretary of State on January 4, 2014 and public notice of this meeting, together with the agenda, was posted on February 18, 2014 at 8:30 a.m. in prominent public view on the glass exterior walls of the Allen Wright Memorial Library Building, 200 NE 18th Street, Oklahoma City. The announcement of the Board meeting and agenda were posted February 19, 2014 at 9:02 a.m. on the Oklahoma Department of Libraries (ODL) website.

Chairman Douthitt asked for consideration of the minutes for the February 21, 2014 board meeting. Douthitt mentioned a correction: page 1, paragraph 1, should read Jon. Barker moves to approve with the amendment, seconded by Haught. Votes were as follows: Barker, yes; Douthitt, yes; Haught, yes; Moss, yes; and Ritchie, yes. Absent: Don Evans and Hannibal Johnson. The motion passed and the minutes were approved.

There were no public comments.

Director's Report and Division Activity Reports

McVey announced the 25th annual Oklahoma Book Award ceremony would be held on April 12th. The Library of Congress established a National Center for the Book, which established state affiliates. Oklahoma was the fourth affiliate. Essentially, the ceremony recognizes Oklahoma authors and books with Oklahoma themes. She said it is a lovely event and we strongly encourage everyone to attend.

State Legislative revenue environment this year projected \$170 million dollars below last year, which was subsequently revised to \$188.5 million dollars less. The last opportunities for adjustment will be at the end of April when the board of equalization meets.

HB 2394 requires all public bodies (*state government boards*) to create a video recording of public meetings. Meetings must be posted on the agency's website. It's not through final passage, but if it were to become law, videos of board meetings would need to be accompanied by a transcript to make them accessible to the public.

SB1832 deals with ODL, which would modify language making reference to the ODL Director gender neutral. The present form of the bill does not seem to have any immediate impact.

McVey mentioned there are several proposed bills to change the conditions of employment for state agencies. Several newspapers have highlighted the changes to seven of the state retirement systems. The majority of them essentially are a switch to a defined contribution or a 401K format instead of a defined benefits program, which we have now. The proposal is to have a unified governing board for all of the retirement systems, not individual boards for each. There are also a couple of proposed bills to change the current Merit Personnel System.

Consideration and possible vote on amendment of ODL policies on tobacco to include new products such as e-cigarettes and other vapor products

Douthitt asked, since this is statutory, do we need to include it in ODL policy. McVey said yes, each agency was asked to adopt the policy and to take action.

Chairman Douthitt asked for consideration and vote on amendment of ODL policies on tobacco. Moss made the motion to approve and Haught seconded. Votes were as follows: Barker, yes; Douthitt, yes; Haught, yes; Moss, yes; and Ritchie, yes. Absent: Don Evans and Hannibal Johnson. The motion passed and the policy on tobacco to include new products such as e-cigarettes and other vapor products was approved.

Consideration and possible vote on change in format for advanced classes offered by the OLA/ODL Certification Board

Pat Williams explained the proposed revisions to the Certification Advanced Classes. The basic classes have proven to be highly successful in their current format. The latest five year evaluation in 2013, however, shows a change was in order to the advanced classes based on surveys. It was decided to move these classes to online, allowing the attendee to control their attendance and the curricula. With approval, classes can begin in fall of 2014 with the same three-year completion timetable.

Chairman Douthitt asked for consideration and vote on the new format for advanced classes offered by the OLA/ODL Certification Board. Haught made the motion to approve and Ritchie seconded. Votes were as follows: Barker, yes; Douthitt, yes; Haught, yes; Moss, yes; and Ritchie, yes. Absent: Don Evans and Hannibal Johnson. The motion passed to change the format for advanced classes offered by the OLA/ODL Certification Board.

Consideration and possible vote on change to ODL Board meeting schedule in June 2014

Chairman Douthitt recommended consideration and possible vote be moved to the April 2, 2014 ODL board meeting.

Chairman Douthitt asked for consideration and vote to adjourn the meeting. Barker made the motion and Ritchie seconded. Votes were as follows: Barker, yes; Douthitt, yes;

Haight, yes; Johnson, yes; Moss, yes; Ritchie. Absent: Don Evans and Hannibal Johnson.
The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

The next ODL Board meeting is scheduled for April 2, 2014, 10:00 a.m., at the Oklahoma Library Association Annual Conference and will be located in the Cypress Board Room at the Tulsa Southern Hills Marriott Hotel, 1902 E. 71st Street.

Susan C. McVey, Secretary