

IOWA READING ASSOCIATION
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 15, 2016
PIZZA RANCH, AMES, IOWA

- I. Call to Order- The meeting was called to order by President Debra Wake at 12:54 p.m.
- II. Roll call- Present were Deb Mortensen, Nancy White, Michelle Swanson, Nancy Wright, Clark Goltz, Diane Bean, Stephanie Laird, Debra Wake and Julie Schuller.
- III. Appointment of Committee to approve minutes- Diane Bean and Nancy White volunteered to read the October 15, 2016 Executive Board minutes. These minutes will be sent to them for their approval before publishing on the Iowa Reading Association website.
- IV. Old Business- There was none to report.
- V. New Business:
 - a. 2016-2017 Book Studies- Clark Goltz has both book studies now on the website. Stephanie Laird shared that Lori Oskcus is excited to be at State Conference 2017 and has written an article for the winter edition of the newsletter regarding her book Reciprocal Teaching.
 - b. Budget/ Fiscal Year Change- Michelle Swanson and Clark Goltz both felt the transition (matching our fiscal year to the school year) went well. All conference fees were submitted this year. Treasurer Michelle Swanson suggested a "Zoom" with state officers each August regarding the following year's budget.
 - c. Iowa Reading Association Investments- We will wait until the International Literacy Association is more organized before making any changes in investments.
 - d. Council Concern- Burlington Area Reading Council has a concern regarding the cost of International Literacy Association memberships. It was decided to encourage them to get local/state memberships in and establish officers first. We will discuss ILA (and its cost) at a future meeting.
- VI. Miscellaneous
 - a. The Future of Dallas County Reading Council- Debra Wake suggested they have a mentor. Clark Goltz has been communicating with Jodi Nielsen (their president) and will contact Becky Pashek (Zone E Director) to see how the Iowa Reading Association board can assist them. Their first meeting is October 25, 2016.
 - b. Restructuring our State- Deb Mortensen is concerned that zones are not represented as in the past. Should we pursue the quadrant and additional central Iowa structure for representation? Discussion was held. This will be discussed further at our January Board meeting and voted on by the membership at the June, 2017 Delegate's Assembly.
 - c. President Debra Wake thanked all for coming on a Saturday.
- VII. Announcements:
 - a. Board of Directors Meeting, Saturday, January 14, 2017, 10:00 a.m. Pizza Ranch, Ames (Snow date January 21), Executive Board Meeting, Saturday, January 14, 2017, 1:00 p.m, Pizza Ranch, Ames (Snow date January 21)
 - b. Board of Directors Meeting, Saturday, April 9, 2017, 10:00 p.m. Pizza Ranch, Ames
 - c. Executive Board Meeting, Saturday, May 13, 2017, 10:00 a.m. Pizza Ranch, Ames
 - d. Iowa Reading Association Board Retreat, Sunday, June 25, 2017, 3:00 p.m. Pizza Ranch, Ames

- e. Iowa Reading Association Board of Directors Meeting, Sunday, June 25, 2017, 5:00 p.m. Pizza Ranch, Ames
- f. Iowa Reading Association Leadership Workshop, Monday, June 26, 2017, 10:00 a.m. Hotel Gateway, Ames
- g. Iowa Reading Association Conference "Dive Into Reading", June 27-28, 2017 Scheman Conference Center, ISU, Ames
- h. Board of Directors Meeting, Wednesday, June 28, 2017, 5:00 p.m. Scheman Conference Center, ISU, Ames
- i. International Literacy Association 61st Annual Convention, July 15-17, 2017, Orlando, FL.

VIII. Adjournment: Nancy White moved and Stephanie Laird seconded the motion that we adjourn at 1:30. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Deb Mortensen, Secretary
Iowa Reading Association