

IOWA READING ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
APRIL 6, 2011
BEST WESTERN, AMES, IOWA

- I. The meeting was called to order by President Carol Duehr at 8:00 p.m.
- II. Roll call included: Carol Duehr, Lindsey Helmers, Julie Neal, Tony Pieper, Nancy White, Barb Foss, Karla Bronzynski, Diane Bean, Candace Booth, Lori Vicker, Patty Gillespie, Teresa Van Zee, Suzanne Kurth, Deb Mortensen-State Coordinator, Lynette Kruger-Director of Membership Development, and Clark Goltz-Executive Director. Others in attendance included Lynn Kilpatrick-Creative Writing Chair, Nancy Wright-Merit Council Chair, Brenda Nugteren-new Zone H Director, Renee Thomas-new Zone I Director
- III. Approval and/or Additions to the Agenda: Teresa Van Zee moved and Candace Booth seconded to approve the agenda. Motion carried. The agenda was approved as printed.
- IV. Vice-President's Report: Conference Chair Julie Neal gave an update on conference details. The number of conference attendees who have registered is an increase over previous conferences in recent years.
- V. Appointment of Committee to Approve Minutes: Diane Bean and Candace Booth were appointed to approve the minutes.
- VI. Appointment of Zone Director to write Zone Newsletter: Sara Youngers was appointed to write the next zone newsletter.
- VII. President's Report: President Carol Duehr reported that she is excited about a new venue for this year's conference. She noted that the session rooms will be very full as there are only eight sessions per time slot.
- VIII. Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Barb Foss gave an oral report. TD&T sends a written report by e-mail to all Board members at the end of each month. The budget hearing is at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday morning. Barb reviewed the voucher system.
- IX. State Coordinator's Report: State Coordinator Deb Mortensen submitted a written report and gave an oral report. Iowa was awarded the Award of Excellence. Deb will represent Iowa Reading at the Awards' Ceremony at the International Reading Association Convention in Orlando in May. Deb reminded members that the Board meeting will begin at 9:00 on Monday, June 13 before Leadership begins. The question Deb has asked Board members to submit to her by May 15 is "If you were stranded on a deserted island with any author (living or deceased) who would it be and why?"
- X. Correspondence: Zone Director Patty Gillespie has been honored as the R.I.F. Coordinator of the Year. An article about this honor was in the Des Moines *Register* newspaper. TV station KPTM (www.kptm.com) taped a segment showcasing the honor. Lynn Kilpatrick showed the segment to the Board during the meeting. Clark Goltz also read a letter from Mari Reynolds, a Family Support Coordinator from the Parent Training and Information Center of Iowa at the ASK Resource Center, asking for permission to reprint some information from our reading strategies on our

website and including a line stating "Reprinted with permission from the Iowa Reading Association." The Board agreed to allow this information to be reprinted. Clark will contact Mari Reynolds.

XI. New Business:

- a. Introduction of New Zone Directors and Officers: It was announced that Wendy Hammerich will become the new vice-president and Heidi Meyer will be the new treasurer. They will both be in attendance at the conference. Nancy Wright, new Zone G Director, Brenda Nugteren, new Zone H Director, and Renee Thomas, new Zone I Director were introduced and welcomed to the Board of Directors.

- XII. Zone Director's Reports: Written zone director reports were received from directors in Zones A, C, F, and G. Oral reports were given by directors from Zones B, C, D, G, H and I.

XIII. Committee Reports:

- a. Awards: Chair Teresa Van Zee submitted a written report and gave an oral report. There will be an award winner in each category.
- b. Budget: no report
- c. Bylaws, Policies, and Procedures: no report
- d. Creative Writing: Chair Lynn Kilpatrick submitted a written report and gave an oral report.
- e. Iowa Merit Council: Chair Nancy Wright submitted a written report and also gave an oral report. Suzanne Kurth moved and Tony Pieper seconded that we accept Nancy Wright's recommendation to utilize the form found in our local council directory beginning with the 2011-2012 year as a record of local council officers. This form states if the council is in good standing with the Iowa Reading and International Reading Associations. If the council completes the form online to International Reading, this will also be accepted. Motion carried.
- f. Legislative: Chair Don Ortman has resigned as chair. Iowa Reading President Julie Neal will serve as spokesperson this coming year.
- g. Long Range Planning: Chair Don Ortman has resigned from as chair.
- h. Membership: no report
- i. Nominating: Chair Candace Booth submitted a written report and also gave an oral report. She announced that Iowa Reading will be needing candidates for the election taking place in January 2012 for these positions: Zone Directors A, E, F, state coordinator, and vice-president.
- j. Poetry Contest: no report
- k. Publications: Chair Nancy White submitted a written report and also gave an oral report. The deadline to submit articles for the May newsletter is Good Friday. The May 2011 issue of the newsletter will be online only.
- l. Studies and Research: Chair Ed Starckenburg submitted a written report. The scholarship winner will be honored at the Awards Banquet.
- m. International Project: Lindsey Helmers will be continuing as project chair this coming year. She submitted a written report and also gave an oral report.

XIV. Announcements:

- a. Iowa Reading Association Conference, April 7-8, 2011, Scheman Conference Center, Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa

- b. Iowa Reading Board Meeting: April 8, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. at Scheman Conference Center, ISU, Ames, Iowa
- c. 56th Annual International Reading Association Convention: May 8-11, 2011 at Orlando, Florida
- d. Iowa Reading Association Board Retreat: June 12, 2011 at 5:00 p.m. at the Pizza Ranch, Ames, Iowa
- e. Iowa Reading Board Meeting: June 13, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. at The Hotel at Gateway Center, Ames, Iowa
- f. Iowa Reading Association Summer Leadership Workshop: June 13-14, 2011 at 1:00 p.m. at The Hotel at Gateway Center, Ames, Iowa
- g. Iowa Reading Association Board Retreat: June 24, 2012 at 3:00 p.m. at Pizza Ranch, Ames, Iowa
- h. Iowa Reading Association Board Meeting: June 24, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. at Pizza Ranch, Ames, Iowa
- i. Iowa Reading Association Leadership Workshop: June 25, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. at The Hotel at Gateway Center, Ames, Iowa
- j. Iowa Reading Association Conference, June 26 and 27, 2012, Scheman Conference Center, Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa

XIV. Teresa Van Zee moved and Diane Bean seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy White, Secretary
Iowa Reading Association