

**CASL Board Minutes for February 28, 2009**  
**Ross-University Hills Public Library, 9:15 am – 12:00 pm**  
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**CASL Goals:**

- **Focus on linking 21<sup>st</sup> century skills and teacher librarians.**
- **Strengthen and define CASL's relationship with CAL.**
- **Actively pursue membership for CASL**

**Attendees:** Jen Cotton, Su Eckhardt, Susan Gilbert, Mike Herr, Jody Howard, Nance Nassar, JoAnn Perry, Dave Sanger, Heidi Baker, **Virtual Attendees** Molly Gibney & Becky Johnson, and Missy Snider briefly

**I.            Introductions and Kudos; additions to the agenda?**

**II.            Jody Howard, CAL President, welcome and greeting –**

- Jody has connected with Paula Jackson, a Linworth editor. The company would like to partner with CASL by helping fund a mailing to all schools and inviting all to become members of CASL. They would like to send a copy of LMC Connection to each school and will pay our postage for this mailing. Heidi will be our connection person with Linworth. We need to check on CAL policies for this first.
- Jody told us about a CAL Revitalization Task Force meeting that will look at the organization as a whole. The CAL Awards have been re-designed as a first step toward making the whole organization new.
- The CAL Board has a revenue sharing policy but it can't be located. New Mexico Library Association would like to partner with CAL for Durango Days. Jody is working to establish a revenue sharing policy for this event. As a related topic, she is interested in making sure there is an agreement and support from the CAL Board that about our charges for the TIE Conference (\$60. and \$100). Mike said TIE would really like to have a set cost per attendee or a flat fee for the pre-conference. They cover computer support, Internet access (\$1000/day), lost equipment, liability and loss. We are looking at a flat fee of about \$2000 for the event. TIE is looking into inviting our keynote to present at a Showcase and which will be a win/win. Jody is in total support of the partnership and wants to make sure it is successful. Mike asked for continued open communication.

**III.            January minutes: Corrections / Approval – JoAnn moved and Dave seconded**

**IV.            2009 Objectives/Action Plan**

CASL 2008 goals still valid for 2009 with new objectives that include partnerships with [TIE](#), [Colorado PTA](#) and new activities.

- Susan is not yet getting response from the PTA President via email with our offers to connect. She is going to call the office next.
- Our connection with TIE is strong. Mike said they will look into providing a weblink to CASL.
- The CAL Membership Committee is out there to support us. Susan has been attending the meetings as our official CASL representative.
- Mike asked what we really mean by 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills? We need to clarify what we mean by 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills. Susan agreed that we need to clarify our role. JoAnn shared information about the AASL train-the-trainer event for implementation of the new 21<sup>st</sup> Century Standards.
- Nance related that CoSLL and TLF are meeting with the CDE Content Standards Committee showing where our (NETS, 21<sup>st</sup> Century, & AASL) Standards are visible.
- Molly told us about the Adams12 data that has been gathered.
- Mike cautioned about the use of data rather than having a vibrant model to see, witness, and feel in action. He would like to see “vignettes” posted somewhere.
- JoAnn said we need to focus on Advocacy throughout the state. She related that Poudre SD is replacing all librarians with para-pros and they are not worried about the changes.
- Susan would like us to wiki ideas to accomplish our Annual Goals and we can list accomplishments and what we are interested in pursuing at <http://casl.pbwiki.com>

**V.            AASL/ALA Midwinter reports –** We celebrated the positive outcome of our hosting both the evening meeting for drinks at the hotel and the Sunday treats on the table. The CAL-hosted reception for incoming ALA President Camila Alire was a great event.

- VI. TPS Librarian Days report** - Thanks to Steve, Jo, Diane and Nancy for facilitating.
- Jo gave us a review of the event and Nancy posted her review. Heidi will send the link to the wiki created during the day. TPS is interested in partnering for our CASL Kickoff to TIE.
  - Nance added that if we are going to include them in the TIE Pre-Conference, we should change the title so people will not think they've already been to the presentation.

**Promoting CASL:** Blog, CAL newsletter (Jenna) Mar. 30+May 30, Yahoo group, CASL Meet 'n Greet

- Nancy's Blog statistics were discussed and there was a reminder about the Yahoo group
- Susan brought copies of the Texas PTA Partnership plans
- Dave said there is a PTA bill which includes parental involvement. They have been "working" the legislature with their lobbyist.
- Teen Lit. Conference is the 1<sup>st</sup> of April. Susan is going to check into getting a CASL table for the event. If there aren't any available, Su and UCD will add some information to their table.
- Susan has a telephone conference with a man who wants to partner with CASL???
- Jen Cotton will be our Meet-n-Greet coordinator this year. We should post the events on the Blog and Heidi will get the information posted on the CAL Website. Jen suggested we have the support information and flyer posted on the wiki for:
  - Nancy White March 17<sup>th</sup>
  - Becky Russell April
  - JoAnn Perry March 16<sup>th</sup>
  - Jenna Cook
- Missy did one last spring in St. Vrain and Missy and Molly did one for Adams12.
- Mike added that he will offer an opportunity for CASL to sell library literature, CASL information, CASL t-shirts, etc. Forward recommended book suggestions for him to order.

**VII. TIE Partnership** [http://www.tiecolorado.org/TIE\\_Conference\\_2009.htm](http://www.tiecolorado.org/TIE_Conference_2009.htm)

Approve Mike Herr as Board Member – Susan nominated Mike to serve the remainder of JoAnn's term on the Board. JoAnn seconded. Approved.

TIE meeting report: Jenna, Jen, Susan – Mike will send his notes from the meeting for our Board. The TIE Board will need some help with our planning process for logistics, and would like help by noon (lunch) on Sunday with setup.

Pursuing \$1000 contract with keynote David Loertscher and need a subcommittee to design the agenda for the day including afternoon learning sessions, possibly breakouts and including Teaching with Primary Sources (suggested: "*Building Powerful Learning Environments Using the AASL Standards for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learner and Primary Sources*" by Peggy O'Neill-Jones. Jo submitted an ABC-CLIO to AASL to continue funding last year's ongoing preconference workshop partnership with TIE. Jen will chair this group.

**VIII. Promote School Librarians--Jen/SIER**

Is the CAL leadership group willing to help out? Jen attended the SIER CAL committee and the few present worked on library promotion messaging. Every type of library talked about their important messages. Do we need a legislative CASL committee? No, we should make use of CAL's current committees including legislative advocacy, SIER and developing leaders to promote school libraries.

**IX. Committee and Other Reports**

- a. [Legislative](#) – Su and Dave
- There is a \$1.2 billion+ shortfall for the state. There will be some federal money coming to Colorado for Medicare, Sp. Ed, Ed. Tech., new programs for higher ed, and Title 1. There are two Parental Involvement bills, but the main focus is watching the state budget and potential loss of funds.
  - Senate Bill 228, if passed, may help with budget constraints. Known as the 6% Solution, the bill will remove the Arveshoug-Bird revenue limit from Colorado's budget.
- b. Membership – Susan (**attachment:** survey N. Bolt on associations)

- c. [Awards](#) – Molly: New awards list combined to consolidate awards across types of libraries, though CAL associations can plan and implement their own awards as well.
- d. CAL Conference "Power On" – Jen: *May 17workshop proposal deadline*
- e. State Science Standards – Becky and Nance reported that revisions are continuing to all the standards and they may soon be open for comment.
- f. AASL–Jo will attend the Learning4Life training of trainers in conjunction with ALA conference this summer. If Nance is cleared for travel, she is interested in attending as our second Colorado rep.
- g. Grant committee Is anyone interested in spearheading a committee? Nance volunteered to be a member.
- h. Susan is accepting \$ for a memorial fund for the librarians who were killed in the car accident following ALA. Please send your donations to Susan by March 10<sup>th</sup>. She will send it to Jody.

X. Closure – Adjourned 12:15 p.m.

**Next Meetings:**

March 28

May 23

June 22 – TIE/CASL pre-conference (June 21 arrival)

July 25 – CAL retreat, Loveland FYI,

Sept 12

(Conference - November 19-21, 2008) **Power On: Avenues for the Future**

**Respectfully submitted by Su Eckhardt**