

CASL Board Meeting Minutes
September 12, 2009, 9:15am-12:30pm
Ross University Hills Library

Members Present: Su Eckhart, Nancy White, Diane Caro, Steve McGovern, Mike Herr, Molly Gibney, Karen Bolch, Susan Gilbert, Dave Sanger, Becky Johnson, JoAnn Perry and CAL staff Heidi Baker. Missy Snyder attended via "GoToMeeting" online.

1. Meeting called to order by Susan.
2. MINUTES APPROVAL: Minutes from May 2009 approved by Nancy and seconded by Dave. Approved by all. **Susan will send out March 2009 minutes by email for approval.**
3. ELECTIONS:
 - a. Ballot is set for next year! Co-Presidents Nancy White and Diane Caro, Pres-Elect Yvonne Miller, Secretary Molly Gibney, At-Large Chris Bell.
 - b. Vote! Go to <http://cal-webs.org/election09.html>
 - c. For 2010, we need to nominate a president-elect for CAL. Susan has a list of people for suggestions.
 - d. At-Large Appointment: Need new At-Large due to Jenna Cook no longer serving. Evelyn Scott will be contacted as At-Large Board member. Her contact info is: escott6@cherrycreekschools.org She also wants to be on Awards Committee. **Susan will ask Evelyn to be At-Large Board member; she later declined and Nancy and Diane will recruit a replacement.**
 - e. Higher-Ed Rep Appointment: Su Eckhart will be the new higher-ed rep starting in November.
 - f. TIE Liason: Mike will continue as a TIE liason.
4. TIE INFORMATION: Mike reported that 70% of pre-conference attendees stayed for TIE!
 - a. ALA Books: There was a loss from the ALA books of \$300 due to shipping and insurance costs, returning most of the ALA order. TIE was glad to have us as part of the bookstore, since librarians bought many books.
 - b. Profit: TIE will give us \$2,507.44.
 - c. Decision: Should we continue to sell ALA books? **Mike Herr can tell us which books were sold... he can email that to us.** That might help with our decisions. Other sellers give a purchase discount.
 - d. Finances approved by Nancy and seconded by JoAnn.
5. ALA DELEGATE: JoAnn asked for us to think about where we want her to go this year, due to the fact that there is conflict with dates between ALA and ISTE Conferences. Decided on ALA Midwinter Conference in Boston.
6. REVIEW OF COMMENTS FROM CASL-PRECONFERENCE: Heidi distributed evaluation summary from the 125 participants. Diane wants to know how we can get more professional development for librarians? We need to market ourselves better. Nancy said that she could offer an online course, if we want to go that route. But, she noted that CLIC is already doing professional development for librarians. Nancy noted that we aren't the only organization responsible for professional development.
7. CAL BOARD UPDATE:
 - a. Conference 2010 moved to October 7-9, Loveland at Embassy Suites.
 - b. Vote in CAL Board elections at <http://cal-webs.org/election09.html>
 - c. CAL membership has been cut in half... thus, there has been a dramatic drop in money for the organization.
 - i. How are we getting membership info out? Blog, wiki, websites, mailings to "Teacher Librarians" at all schools

- ii. we need to focus on increasing the number of librarians attending the CAL Conference and ISTE Conferences.
 - d. How can we sell the CAL Conference this year? We will create a list of programs for school librarians and send that out via email and COSL leaders. *Diane Caro will do this and send it out pdf form... send Diane any ideas that she should include in the flyer.*
 - e. Scholarship committee has 6 scholarships for people that want to attend, and 4 registration-only scholarships. THIS IS A GREAT THING TO GET OUT! Target people who live more than 100 miles from conference and first-time attendees. Info on CAL website. *Becky will notify CASL community via caslcommunity@yahoo.com*
 - f. CAL AUCTION ITEMS: Money from this goes to CLEF.
All Board Members: Provide Susan with ideas for auction.
8. CAL CONFERENCE
- a. CASL BOARD MEETING: Board will meet at 7-9am on Friday, November 20th for breakfast. Ann Martin wants to attend our Board meeting. Location: *Heidi will arrange this. (Sign up for Marriott Rewards to get free breakfast in concierge suite!)*
 - b. CAL BUSINESS MEETING: Saturday, November 21st from 12-1. People bring their box lunches. This is where we pass the gavel to the new leadership. Start with introductions, show our website and wiki, Ann Martin will speak on goals of AASL and future of libraries and importance of belonging to professional organization. Then each of us facilitate a small group and plug membership. Small group topics:
 - i. Secondary School Librarians
 - ii. Elementary School Librarians
 - iii. Advocacy (Ann Martin and/or Dave Sanger)
 - iv. Newbies
 - v. 21st Century Learner's Standards
 - vi. Leadership
 - vii. ISTE conference
 - viii. Communications
 - ix. Volunteer with CAL
 - x. Web 2.0
9. POSTING TO LISTSERV, BLOG and YAHOOGROUP: Heidi sent around a sign up sheet for weekly postings. For best readership, posts need to be either controversial or have a link to something that we can use. Shouldn't just be informational... we need to get conversations going.
10. CDE READING GRANTS letter was passed around via Susan, forwarded to ask if we have suggestions for youth to be nominated to United States Senate Youth Program.
11. COMMITTEE REPORTS
- a. Legislative Committee – Dave Sanger – decided to honor Governor Bill Ritter at CAL Conference because he kept \$ for libraries in budgets; also decided to award Karen Middleton and Evie Hudak because they were sponsors of legislative review law, so they will get award in their districts. There are three “Citizen Initiatives” sponsored by Doug Bruce. One reduces tax to all automobiles to \$10, one reduces Colorado income tax by 0.5% each year, and one is property tax reduction... these will be on ballots once signatures collected. We don't want these to pass since they will hurt funding to all libraries!!
 - b. AASL DELEGATE – JoAnn -- National AASL in Charlotte – there are scholarships (4 stipends of \$750) , selection criteria is that they must be first-time attendees and write a 300-word report about conference, applications due next week. Nance was

asked to talk about how Colorado is doing with the Standards at the ALA Conference in Chicago.

- c. STANDARDS – Becky – several of us worked on aligning the 21st century standards with content standards for CDE. Science was completely done with kudos from CDE; Music and Civics also completed. All are due in final format in December.
 - d. CAL REVITALIZATION – Su – minutes of Revitalization Committee posted in the CAL Newsletter which is now online only. Recommended updating policies and procedures, updating the website, get rid of printed Colorado Libraries and go online, etc.
 - e. MEMBERSHIP – Susan resigned from committee because she couldn't attend the Friday daytime meetings. CASL has decided to focus on our own membership and bringing as many school librarians into CAL as possible. We are sending out flyers, today, about membership.
 - f. AWARDS – Molly -- we will create an Awards Sub-Committee next year to ensure school nominations. CASL is permitted to create our own awards, e.g. Outstanding School Librarian, Outstanding School Library, and Outstanding School Administrator. We can present these awards in June at the TIE Pre-Conference, since it is the end of the school year. **Nancy White and Diane Caro will work to make sure that we have a sub-committee created, starting in January.**
12. PRESENTATIONS BY BOARD MEMBERS AT VARIOUS CONFERENCES
- a. Nancy and Nance will present at AASL about the TIE pre-conference!
 - b. Nancy White will be presenting with Joyce Valenza at AASL, as well!!
13. POWER LIBRARY PARTNERSHIP – There is a close alignment between CASL Board and the Power Library team.
- a. Created a Power Library NING.
 - b. Possible grant to send High Performance Power Librarians to rural schools where there is no one... and show the principals what could be down!
14. CASL UNCONFERENCE 2010-2011 – Susan is proposing this idea for the future. Doesn't cost anything. Bring people in via technology. THIS IS JUST FOOD FOR THOUGHT FOR NOW!! No vendors. Use focused questions to guide the “unconference.”
15. CLIC NEEDS PRESENTERS for their workshops.
- a. Deadline is October 15th.
 - b. **Nancy White will forward the call for presenters to us.**
16. Heidi passed out information about “Diversity in Colorado Libraries” Connect at <http://librarydiversity.ning.com>
17. FUTURE IDEAS:
- a. What is our Social Media interface for the future for CASL? Should we use Facebook or MySpace or ? This will go on future agenda...

Meeting concluded at 12:30pm.