

**Florida Library Association Board Meeting**  
**Minutes**  
**January 21 2020, 1:00pm**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

(VM = Voting Member)

FLA Staff

Lisa O'Donnell, Executive Director  
Karen Layton, Membership & Events Manager  
Melissa Stocks, Administrative Assistant

Voting Members

Eric Head, President (VM)  
Sarah Divine, Secretary (VM)  
Cheryl Wolfe, Region 4 Director (VM)  
Laura Spears, Vice President, President Elect (VM)  
Renaine Julian, Region 6 Director (VM)  
Matt Selby, Region 2 Director (VM)  
Donna Vasquez, Treasurer (VM)  
Ava Brillat, Region 1 Director (VM)  
Sarah J. Hammill, Past President (VM)  
Christine Patten, Region 3 Director (VM)  
Sara Gonzalez, ALA Councilor (VM)  
Heather Sostrom, Region 5 Director (VM)

Non-Voting Members

*April Frazier, Planning Committee Chair*  
*Renae Rountree, Advocacy Committee Chair*  
*Robert Stuart, GrayRobinson*  
*Matthew David*  
*Amy Johnson, State Library of Florida*  
*Lorrain Stinson, FAME*  
*Leila Gibradze, FSU*  
*Peter Cannon, USF*  
*Natalie Taylor, USF*  
*Katie Flury, GrayRobinson*

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

**1. Quorum and Agenda Review**

- A. Call to Order: President Eric Head called the meeting to order at 1:03pm and confirmed. \_\_\_\_.
- B. Establishment of Quorum: Secretary Sarah Divine confirmed that a quorum was present at that time.

**2. President's Remarks (Eric Head, President)**

- Update from State Partners Meeting in Sarasota. Main takeaway was the importance of having these meetings frequently and improving communication.
- Robert Stuart – Excited for Library Day, thrilled to represent FLA. Update on current state of the legislature in Tallahassee.

**3. Consent Agenda (Eric Head, President)**

- A. Minutes of November 15, 2019 FLA Board Meeting
- B. Executive Director Report (Lisa O'Donnell, Executive Director)
- C. Membership Reports
  - Sara moved to accept the Consent Agenda as presented and Donna seconded. No further discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

#### 4. Financials

- A. Financials as of December 31 were presented by Donna Vasquez, Treasurer.
  - Laura motioned to accept and file the financial reports as presented and Sara seconded. No further discussion. Motion passed unanimously.
- B. Balance Sheet; Money Market Statement
- C. 2020 Budget – approval
  - Sara motioned to accept 2020 Budget as presented and Laura seconded. No further discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

#### 5. Old Business

- A. Florida Civic Advance – Application Submitted (Eric Head, President)
  - Submitted application to join at \$300 Level as a small organization. Will see what benefits looks like in the coming year.

#### 6. New Business

- A. 2020 Annual Conference Schedule approval (Eric Head, President)
  - Donna motioned to accept the conference schedule as presented and Heather seconded. No further discussion. Motion passed unanimously.
- B. News Service of Florida proposal – request to table (Lisa O'Donnell, CAE)
  - Florida-specific news outlet that wants to be a source in libraries, offering a discount to FLA members. Will table for future discussion pending further research.
- C. EDI Recommendation (Sara Gonzales, ALA Councilor)
  - Discussion of incorporating EDI statement into FLA's governing documents and structure.
  - In February, will establish a task force to address how EDI can be incorporated into broader value statements.

#### 7. Strategic Plan

- A. Review & Update of Strategic Plan Goals (Eric Head, President)
  - Donna motioned to accept the Strategic Plan document as presented and Sarah seconded. No further discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

#### 8. Special Guest Presentation

- A. National Advocacy Network & Presentation – David Lusk, Key Advocacy

#### 9. Committee Reports - **Postponed**

#### 10. Regional Director Reports - **Postponed**

#### 11. Announcements/Member Comments

- Invitations to tour the grounds and evening reception (Eric Head).
- House in session tomorrow at 3:30. Legislator will be recognizing the librarians who traveled to Tallahassee for the legislative session from the floor. All are invited to attend.

#### 12. Adjourn

- A. The meeting was adjourned by President Eric Head at 3:31pm. Sarah moved to adjourn the meeting, and \_\_\_\_\_ seconded. No further discussion.
- B. Next regularly scheduled Board meeting: February 21.