Board Meeting Minutes

Board Call
March 25, 2020

Attendees
- Snowden Becker
- Melissa Dollman
- Dennis Doros
- Andrea Leigh
- Regina Longo
- Randal Luckow
- Taylor McBride
- John Polito
- Teague Schneiter

Also attending
- Laura Rooney

Meeting opened at 10:38am (PST): DDoros, president, presiding, a quorum was present.

Meeting Minutes

Motion: Approve the Minutes from the February Meeting.
Motion by MDollman, second by TSchneiter

Vote: Motion passes unanimously.

Action Item: LRooney will post final Minutes to BaseCamp (BCamp) and to the website.

Action Item: TMcBride will post notice to members via AMIA-Member.

Election Committee Roster
Motion: Approve the roster of the 2020 Election & Nominations Committee: James Mockoski, chair; David Gonzalez; Lorena Ramirez-Lopez; Siobhan Hagan, and Jennifer Jenkins. Motion by ALeigh, second by SBecker

Vote: Motion passes unanimously.

Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) Grant Writer

The Board discussed the upcoming grant deadline for the expansion of the Fellowship Pilot, and the need for a writer to work closely with the AMIA Diversity and Inclusion Fellowship Pilot Program (ADIFP) Project Manager in order to align the two programs as described in the summary as well as coordinate with the ADIFP Task Force. The ADIFP task force members and IMLS grant working group have recommended SBecker as the grant writer for the proposal.

SBecker has been involved with the ADIFP Pilot since its beginning and is an ADIFP Task Force member advising on the project so she is knowledgeable about the project, its aims, and has been integral to discussions of how it can move forward with the potential grant. She wrote the original two page summary proposal, so has been a key contributor to the discussions on how to strategically expand the program in phases over coming years. This puts her in a unique position to work with the ADIFP Project Manager to help align the projects and to write a proposal in the short timeframe allotted.

The Board recognizes that there is a potential conflict of interest and so will require to recuse from all votes and discussions of the Board about the proposal.

Motion: To hire Snowden Becker to be the grant writer for the IMLS proposal due April 13th.

Motion by TSchneiter, second by RLongo

Vote: Approve by vote (8) to approve; (1) abstain. Snowden Becker Abstain Melissa Dollman Approve Dennis Doros Approve
Update

**IMLS Grant.** Grant is progressing, with letters of support representing geographic and institutional diversity. The draft narrative will be sent for board review.

**ASN Roadshow Grant Proposal.** SBecker is drafting a narrative for the proposal and will work with LRooney and DDoros on the proposed budget.

**Membership Restructure.** The Board discussed the restructure voted in the January meeting. In light of the current environment, the Board agreed to assess the environment in June to determine next steps.

**Development.** In the current environment, some work on the development initiatives has been delayed. RLongo continuing research and she and DDoros are reaching out to potential working group members.

**DAS New York.** DAS has been moved to September 17 and speakers have all confirmed that date. The DAS programming team is discussing online options for the DAS program. The Board thanks MoMA for their flexibility in rescheduling.

**Online Education.** CEA Task Force is meeting to discuss bringing webinars online through the summer.

**AMIA 2020**

The venue contracts for AMIA 2020 in El Paso have not yet been signed – discussions were underway as the COVID19 crisis began. The CVB has offered a 90 day reschedule clause and have alternate dates for us in February 2021 or May 2021.
The Board discussed alternate dates and agreed that if necessary, February would be preferable to May.

**Action Item:** LRooney will be in touch with the El Paso CVB regarding contingencies for reduced attendance (room nights and food and beverage guarantees).

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**11:20pm RLuckow and ALeigh Leave Call**

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**Member Communications**

**Well-Being Wednesday.** The Board thanks Casey Davis Kaufman and TSchneiter for implementing Well-Being Wednesdays for AMIA members.

**Weekly Chat.** The Board discussed a weekly online chat for members beginning Thursday, March 26th.

**AMIA at 30 Clippings.** MDollman is posting weekly clippings from AMIA’s past as part of the #AMIAat30 ramp up.

**Weekly Member Updates.** The office will send out a weekly Member Update with reminders for the Wellness and Chat sessions and other news.

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**Board Reviews**

The Board will be reviewing the Code of Ethics and Board Guide with comments on the next call.

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Meeting adjourned at 11:29am (PST)