

MWMLA Business Meeting Minuets

80th MWMLA Annual Meeting

Online October 22, 2021

I. Call to Order – Mike Duffy

Mike Duffy called the meeting to order at 1 PM CDT

II. 2020 Meeting Minutes Approval – Mike Duffy

Mike Duffy stated the 2020 Minuets and Treasurer's report are available on the conference site. Motion to approve, Paul Carey, 2nd by Thom Jenks, approved by poll.

III. Treasurer's report - Greg MacAyeal

Greg MacAyeal welcomed Anne Shelly as new Sec/Treasurer and thanked Victoria Peters for agreeing to be on the ballot. The 2021 meeting has 108 registrants, a little less than 128 of last year but still higher than in-person meetings. The MWMLA finances are in good shape. This year, the chapter had no expenses aside from a donation to Nat. MLA to offset losses for the 2020 meeting. Greg reminded members that the chapter does not have budgets, a fiscal year, and we have just a reporting period delineated by the chapter meeting. Thank you for donations to scholarships, these have continued to be high. Invoices will be mailed soon.

Mike Duffy thanked Greg for his time as Sec/Treasurer.

IV. Committee Reports

a. Bylaws – Therese Dickman, acting chair

Deb Morris moved out of the Midwest and resigned as chair. The committee met and recommended changes to bylaws but will resume discussion when a fully constituted committee is formed. Any changes to by-laws will be approved by membership vote. Mark Scharff asks if changes are needed to accommodate meetings in an online mode. Chair Therese agreed, and asserted more consideration is required for DEI (diversity, equity and inclusion) concerns.

b. Membership – Mallory Sajewski, chair

The committee will meet after meeting. They are working to update the chapter brochure. New members are wanted; please be in touch with the chair.

c. Program – Kate Lambaria, chair

Kate L. worked diligently on the meeting for this year.

d. Publications – Carla Williams, chair

The committee met before the meeting. The Publications page now has chapter histories up to the 4th decade. The 5th decade is nearly ready, and 6th already underway. Therese Dickman is looking to bring a co-director of oral hist project and interested people should contact her directly.

e. Scholarship – Kristi Bergland, chair

No travel awards given this year as the meeting is online. The committee thanks members for donations to the scholarship funds and is happy to have more. Please encourage potential new professionals to apply for an award. New members sought for committee membership.

V. Old Business – Mike Duffy

No old business.

VI. New Business – Mike Duffy

Mark Scharff asked as we anticipate going back to meeting in person, who will help develop a new mode for chapter meetings that will include some kind of online component which will enable more members to attend? Mike Duffy asserted this concern dovetails with Nat. MLA goals. Emma Dederick wants to have a hybrid meeting for 2022 at Indiana University. The program chair will work with Emma to develop content. Emma has possible dates for early Oct. or early Nov. The chapter needs to avoid having the meeting over homecoming weekend which is mid Oct. Please be in touch with her if you have a preference.

Mike Duffy acknowledged all the student attendees.

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Mike Duffy gives a round of applause to Kate Lambaria and wished her good luck as next chair of the MWMLA.

Greg MacAyeal thanked Mike Duffy for his service as MWMLA Chair.

Emma Dederick showed a video about the school of music at IU and it's 100-year anniversary.

VII. Adjournment – Mike Duffy

Greg MacAyeal motioned to adjourn, Mark Scharff 2nd, passed by poll – 1:32 PM CDT

Submitted by Greg MacAyeal, 10/27/21