

VALE Executive Committee

January 23, 2015

Rider University

FINAL

Present: J. Avrin, A. Beth, J. Boyle, J. Buschman, J. Cohn, H. Craven, C. Daze, G. Fallon, D. Hardgrove, S. Muir, C. O'Connor, T. Pavlovsky, R. Sweeney, M. Thompson, J. Toth, K. Wagner

1. Call to Order / Welcome & Minutes of the December 11, 2014 Meeting

- Taras Pavlovsky convened the meeting with a welcome to new members:
 - Jeanne Boyle, Interim Rutgers University Librarian
 - David Hardgrove, completing vacant seat from Independent sector
 - Kurt Wagner, Member-At-Large, VOSC liaison
- Minutes from the December 11, 2014 meeting were approved as submitted.

2. Treasurer's Report

- Joe Toth presented the December Activity Budget Report.
 - **Non-Salary Account Balance - \$42,375.81**
 - Receivables
 - \$9,875.00 – final member invoice payment
 - \$300.00 – vendor conference support
 - Expenditures
 - \$961,652.23 – payment of final vendor invoice
 - \$1,081.20 – VALID consultant travel expenses
 - \$4,959.18 – Strategic Planning facilitator and travel expenses
 - **Reserve Account Balance - \$318,825.25**
 - **Salary Account Balance - \$42,375.81**
 - Several invoices for Users' Conference expenses were submitted to WPU Business Services for payment. All expenses incurred prior to the 1/19/15 NJEDGE transition date to be processed through WPU.

3. Community College Caucus

- Mark Thompson presented the following update:
 - Next meeting - Friday, February 13, 2015 at Hudson County Community College. Carol Van Houten hosting.
 - Currently working on:

- Discuss “out-takes” and minutes from the VALE strategic planning meeting.
- Readout on the NJEDge CAO session on the VALUE of Libraries.
- Readout on the Academic Affairs Affairs Affinity Group meeting that will take place at MCC on Feb. 6th.
- VALE Users’ Conference readouts. How did last minute registration work?
- Release of Draft #3 of Info Lit Competency Standards
- Prep for ACRL National (March 26th)

4. VALID Project

- Kurt Wagner provided the following update:
 - VOSC is meeting on February 9th.
 - Will discuss and prepare a draft rational for VALID and a value proposition document as soon as possible.
 - Will discuss and develop an initial organizational framework based on “small, highly structured” components and forward a recommended structure .

Discussion - make firm recommendations re:

- Decision making
- Source of funds
- Staffing and other resources needed to run the system.

5. VALE/NJEDge Partnership Review Committee

- Pavlovsky will contact George Laskaris about scheduling a meeting.

6. Strategic Planning

- Debrief/discussion from morning’s session:
 - Facilitators will summarize discussions and collect materials.
 - Not a lot of pushback about refocusing on libraries vs librarians.
 - Need to consider VOSC recommendations.
 - Relationship between VALID/VALE needs to be re-examined.
 - Planning committee will meet. Need specific recommendations on committees.
 - Message to membership.
 - Structure of message important.
 - Communication of message critical. Info/messages often not communicated well.
 - Directors should encourage staff to subscribe to VALE-L.
- Joint Executive Committee / Committee Chair Meeting Discussion
 - Is it still valuable?
 - Important to get their input about continued involvement.
 - Pavlovsky will send draft wording for Executive Committee review by 2/5/15.

- No Annual Reports.
- Question for Chairs to be asked in advance of meeting: what would their committee look like if it ceased to be a VALE committee.

7. Nominating Committee

- Judy Cohn and Greg Fallon will serve as nominating committee.
- Avrin will send list of members / expiring terms.

8. Multiple Campus Issue

- Thompson reported he and Rich Sweeney are working with Website chair Tony Joachim to confirm info/pages needed and whether the current website has capability to support needed revisions.

9. Tri-Annual Report

- Cohn reported a template has been set up for 11 x 17 (4 page) format.
- Reviewed past 3 years of committee annual reports. Compiled accomplishments, highlights.
- Avrin will compile financials
- Pavlovsky to provide Chair's statement.

10. Transition to NJEDge as Fiscal Agent

- All VALE funds will remain at WPU until all outstanding transactions are complete.
- Pavlovsky will contact Brian Gately to discuss VALE input when setting up funds/chart fields. Toth to participate.

11. Users' Conference

- Next year ALA Midwinter conflicts. Need to discuss alternate dates
- Busch Campus Center at capacity. Alternate sites to be discussed.

12. The next meeting is scheduled for March 5, 2015 at Rutgers.

Minutes prepared by J. Avrin