



**VALE Executive Committee Meeting**

Thursday, June 6, 2019 | 1pm - 3pm

NJIT, Central King Building

**Present:** L. Beninghove (Stevens), S. Chudnick (Brookdale), J. Cohn (Rutgers), H. Craven (CCM), M. Dempsey (RVCC), A. Hoang (NJIT), J. Hunt (MSU), M. Lena (VALE), M. Nizolek (NJSL), M. Ochoa (Middlesex), E. Owusu-Ansah (WPU), K. Schalk-Greene (LibraryLinkNJ), T. Pavlovsky (TCNJ), K. Wagner (Monmouth)

**Absent:** E. Chapel (NJEdge), M. Chute (NJSL), S. Muir (Rowan), P. Tumulty (NJLA)

**1) Call To Order / Welcome / Minutes of April 4, 2019 Meeting**

- Wagner convened the meeting and welcomed new member Hunt.
- Minutes from the April 4, 2019 meeting were approved.

**2) Treasurer's Report (Pavlovsky)**

- Treasurer expressed frustration with timeliness of receiving the financial report from the fiduciary agent.
- VALE is still waiting on an update/approval of FY20 budget. The FY20 budget may change based on auditors.

**3) Program Manager's Report (Lena)**

- The updated version of ConsortiaManager is available to the membership for the FY20 renewals.
- VALE was an exhibitor at the 2019 NJLA Conference in Atlantic City.

**4) VALE / NJEdge Partnership (Wagner)**

- At the May 2 NJEdge Board meeting, Chapel read Wagner's VALE report that included information on the OER Summit and OTN Ambassadors.
- At that meeting there was a discussion of raising dues for VALE's membership in NJEdge. Changes in dues can only be decided in a meeting of the Partnership Review Committee. As this committee has not met in many years, and several of the original members have rolled off the NJEdge board, the PRC will need to be reestablished. Cohn recommended aligning the PRC meetings with the NJEdge Board meetings.

**5) Purchasing & Licensing (Cohn / Hoang)**

- The Springer Nature license is still in legal review. A few other licenses have been sent to legal counsel.

**6) Outreach (Muir / Dempsey)**

- The results are in from the Reciprocal Borrowing survey and will be reviewed.

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**7) Planning & Assessment (Beninghove / Ochoa)**

- In May the PAC had a Zoom meeting with the EC to present the draft strategic plan and solicit feedback. A strategic planning priorities survey was sent to the EC and the results will be reviewed at the next meeting.

**8) OER Task Force (Chudnick / Dempsey)**

- The revised version of A327/S768 was passed in the legislature and signed by Governor Murphy on May 2, 2019. A327/S768 requires each institution of higher education to submit a plan to the Secretary of Higher Education to expand the use of open textbooks and commercial digital learning materials.
- At the Members Council meeting Pam Price suggested meeting with the Secretary of Higher Education at the September meeting to introduce her to VALE's OER initiative. This would also give the academic library community a say in how the law is implemented.
- The mission of the OER Task Force was to create a proposal to join the OTN and select the OTN Ambassadors. Now that it's been accomplished, their work is done. A motion to dissolve the Task Force was approved.
- Wagner called for a motion to create a new OER Committee. Chudnick moved to form a VALE OER Committee that will be charged with leading and coordinating VALE's OER efforts. The committee shall consist of an EC liaison, the four OER ambassadors, and the OTN administrative contact. Additional members may be added as the committee deems necessary. Pavlovsky seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously.

**9) LibraryLinkNJ Update (Schalk-Greene)**

- Report was submitted at Members Council meeting.

**10) NJ State Library Update (Nizolek)**

- Report was submitted at Members Council meeting.

**11) FY20 meeting dates (Lena / Wagner)**

- The proposed FY20 meeting dates were approved and will be available on the VALE website. .

**12) Adjournment**

- Next meeting: Thursday, July 11; Alexander Library, Rutgers University