



**VALE Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**

Friday, February 5, 2021 | 1pm-3pm

Virtual meeting via Zoom

**Present:** L. Beninghove (Stevens), E. Chapel (Edge), J. Cohn (Rutgers), R. Hilliker (Rowan), A. Hoang (NJIT), J. Hunt (MSU), M. Lena (VALE), M. Nizolek (NJSL), M. Ochoa (Middlesex), E. Owusu-Ansah (WPU), T. Pavlovsky (TCNJ), J. Pu (Hudson), J. Rearden (Edge), D. Rosinski-Kauz (Ocean), S. Sacchetti (LLNJ), J. Toth (Stockton), K. Wagner (Monmouth)

**Absent:** J. Machie (NJLA), J. Nelson (NJSL)

**1) Call To Order / Welcome / Minutes of the December 3, 2020 Meeting**

- Wagner convened the meeting.
- Minutes of the December 3, 2020 meeting were approved.

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

- Pavlovsky presented the financial report.
- Chapel noted that Edge is no longer using Ally Marketing for website maintenance, and that all Edge websites will be ported to AWS. The cost for these changes will be equal to or less than what was being charged before.
- We will need to circle back on VALE's shared expense amount owed for the vConference platform, as VALE did not fully use it for our conference.
- Hoang noted that the Purchasing & Licensing Committee should be informed on the cost of the license review legal fees, and that Lena should be able to see the Archer & Greiner bills.

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

- Attendees of the monthly Covid discussions decided to continue meeting through the rest of the academic year. The next meeting is February 9th.

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

- Rearden will replace Chapel as the Edge representative for VALE.
- Rearden will reconvene the Edge members of the VALE-Edge Partnership Review Committee.

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

- Cohn noted that a product demo for Unsub is scheduled for later in the month.
- The P&L Chairs met with a representative from Kanopy. Kanopy is looking at new subscription models to make them more affordable for academic libraries. They will send more information later in the spring.

**6) Outreach (Owusu-Ansah / Pu)**

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- A discussion ensued about the VALE and EdgeCon conference planning timelines.

**7) OER (Hilliker / Ochoa)**

- At the Members Council meeting, a member noted that textbook companies had a presence at the Presidents Council. Hoang recommended that VALE also have a presence.
- Hilliker noted that there is an opportunity for VALE to do OER advocacy.
- Chapel recommended that VALE productize OER materials and make them saleable.
- Ochoa noted that the OER Committee has created infrastructure, which can be transferred over to VALE. They have partnered with the NJ Council of County Colleges and are thinking about sustainability.
- Pavlovsky recommended that VALE create a position paper which would be complementary to the work of the OER Committee. Ochoa noted that this would be possible after they have received all of the OER institutional plans from the members. Wagner will send a reminder email to all members who have not yet submitted their plans. Ochoa and Hilliker will draft a position paper for Executive Committee review.
- Pu noted there are opportunities for communication and collaboration with K-12 libraries, and recommended more outreach with NJLA and LLNJ.

**8) Planning & Assessment (Beninghove / Rosinski-Kauz)**

- They have scheduled a meeting with the Outreach Committee to review their role and responsibilities in the strategic plan.

**9) NJ State Library (Nizolek)**

- The NJSL report was presented at Members Council.

**10) LibraryLinkNJ (Sacchetti)**

- The LLNJ report was presented at Members Council.

**11) Adjournment**

- The remaining agenda items were tabled for the next meeting due to time.
- Next meeting: Thursday, March 4, 2021; 1pm-3pm