



VALE Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday, June 10, 2021 | 1pm-3pm

Virtual meeting via Zoom

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

Absent: J. Cohn (Rutgers), J. Machie (NJLA)

1) Call to Order / Approval of Minutes

- Wagner convened the meeting.
- Minutes of the April 8, 2021 meeting were approved as corrected.

2) Treasurer's Report (Pavlovsky)

- The FY22 proposed budget was approved earlier at the Members Council meeting.

3) Program Manager's Report (Lena)

- The FY22 renewals were processed and finalized in ConsortiaManager. There are 692 subscriptions at \$4,194,510; which is an increase of 21 subscriptions and \$192,862.54 from FY21's 671 subscriptions at \$4,001,647.46

4) VALE / NJEdge Partnership (Wagner / Rearden)

- The full VALE-Edge Partnership Review Committee met on April 23rd and approved a flat fee of \$24,690 for FY22.
- The group agreed that all future expenses will be reviewed and approved by VALE before appearing on the financial reports.

5) Purchasing & Licensing (Cohn / Hoang)

- Hoang presented the results from the Streaming Video Trends Survey that was sent to the membership in late April.
- Hoang noted that Kanopy was recently acquired by OverDrive.

6) Outreach (Owusu-Ansah)

- The Conference Committee had its first meeting on June 9th. They will send out a survey to the membership to ascertain their preference on having an in-person or virtual conference.

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7) Planning & Assessment (Beninghove / Rosinski-Kauz)

- On the list of goals in the strategic plan, the Committee will prioritize creating the onboarding materials in preparation for the new incoming Executive Committee members.
- Rosinski-Kauz recognized Beninghove and thanked her for her service to the Planning & Assessment and Executive Committees.

8) OER (Hilliker / Ochoa)

- For the period of May 1, 2021 to June 30, 2023, VALE has appointed three academic librarians to serve as OER Ambassadors: Megan Dempsey (Raritan Valley Community College), Muhammad Hassan (Kean), and Lily Todorinova (Rutgers).
- The Open Textbook Collaborative Project is soliciting proposals for STEM OER projects that will be funded up to \$6,000 depending on the project. In the first round of proposal evaluations they accepted one for Python.

9) NJ State Library (Nizolek)

- Report was presented at the Members Council meeting.
- Nizolek noted that the statehouse is in the midst of a \$300 million renovation project to be completed by 2023.

10) FY22 Meeting Schedule (Lena)

- A discussion ensued about whether Members Council and Executive Committee meetings should be scheduled in-person or virtually for FY22. The consensus was that meetings should be scheduled virtually for now and a few may be changed to in-person meetings later.

11) JCLC Sponsorship

- Pu moved that VALE sponsor the Joint Council of Librarians of Color Conference at the \$500 level, Hilliker seconded, and the motion was approved. The sponsorship will be paid out of FY21 funds.

12) Adjournment

- Next meeting: Thursday, July 8th 2021; 1pm-3pm