

ARLIS-OV Business Meeting minutes October 25, 2019

Moderator: Stephanie Kays

Minutes: Caitlin McGurk

Attended: Courtney Baron, Daniels, Mo Dawley, Beverly Essinger, Gambrell, Stefanie Hilles, Karyn Hinkle, Alison Huftalen, Courtney Hunt, Leslie Jankowski, Michele L. Jennings, Stephanie Kays, Galina Lewandowicz, Christine Mannix, Marsha McDevitt-Stredney, Caitlin McGurk, Stacie Murry, Beth Owens, Barb Prior, Jason Schafer, Anne Trenholme

Secretary/Treasurer Report (from Kiana Jones, read by Stephanie Kays.):

- ARLIS Ohio Valley currently has **\$1,680.09**. As far as membership goes, we currently have 18 members, 3 Friends, and 1 Student member.

Web Editor Report (from Marsha Miles, read by Stephanie Kays.)”

- As always, I am happy to make changes to the website at the groups’ request or add content if any member sends me an email.
- Here are details for anyone who would like to contribute a testimonial or images for the website:
 - If you have photos from the meeting that you’d like to share, please send them to me with the subject line: “Ohio Valley fall meeting photos”
 - At our fall meeting last year, we discussed updating our website with testimonials from our members. Why should someone join the Ohio Valley chapter? How has it helped you? Share your story! Please use the subject line: “testimonial for Ohio Valley website”
 - Images for our website’s rotating banner should be 1900 x 375 (The height is not as important, but it does affect where the image “zooms.”), and please use the subject line: “photos for Ohio Valley website”
- I will be on maternity leave from around mid-November (my due date is November 16) for 12 weeks, so there may be a delay on when things get posted. Stephanie Kays has graciously offered to be a backup while I am on leave, and will post things to the website as needed.

Listserv Report from Alison Huftalen:

- 52 subscribers on listserv for ARLIS OV

Stefanie Hilles on bundled membership

- In theory this will go into effect as soon as the membership database is back up. It was supposed to open on Oct 1.
- Nether board nor membership committee has been given updates

- Now you can join ARLIS/OV when you join national
 - Stefanie will write up instructions on how to do this and send them out to the chapter leaders and distribute to our ListServ
 - HQ will report back and give quarterly updates. Quarterly payments will be distributed via check.
 - Friend memberships, retirees and students will remain managed by the chapter, NOT nationals.
 - We would only be alerted quarterly if someone has become a member
 - Concerns raised about our chapter not receiving funds in a timely manner in order to cover our travel awards and contribution to Nationals
 - People can also join our chapter independently, though this may cause confusion.
 - Can we list both options on our website? “Join nals/chapter OR join chapter”
 - We have a longstanding problem with people remembering to pay their dues, which bundling would help.
 - We have 18 paid members but more than that in attendance at this meeting. We have 3 “friends” members
 - Issues raised about registrations not getting documented, including people’s info that is inaccurate on the chapter website
- Related from Stephanie Kays: Article 3 membership, text from our bylaws no longer needs to be amended. No need to vote on bylaw changes.
 - Beth Owens motions that we all pay our chapter dues the way we always have this year, paying the chapter directly rather than the bundled membership. We need to do it for this year because the system has not been worked out well enough yet for us to be able to receive the funds we would need in time.
 - Button has been removed from our chapter site to pay dues because of the proposed bundled membership. We will need to get the button back up there for everyone to pay
 - ***CONTACT MARSHA to have her put the button back up so that we can pay directly to the chapter. Ask her to send the listserv an email immediately when it’s up, encouraging everyone to pay before the end of the year.

STEPHANIE Kays on bylaws

- Everyone has voted to update the bylaws to reflect our practices, related to the Nomination Committee

JOINT MEETING WITH MIDSTATES

- Friday all day meeting is the preference
- Would VRA join us?
- Bloomington seems to be the preferred location
- Positive feelings about joining with VRA in the future. Makes for a more robust meeting. More inclusive.

- If we invite the Great Lakes VRA chapter to join us in Bloomington, we would need to ask the Midstates VRA chapter to join as well.
- There is hope that VRA and ARLIS/OV will become “friend members” of each others orgs.
- It’s been 10 years since a Toledo meeting. Toledo is happy to host if Midstates is cool with that.

HOSTING NATIONALS

- Ohio Valley is considering submitting a proposal to host nationals in 2025. We would need to submit proposal in 2021. Everyone wants to do it in Columbus! Michelle has volunteered to be an honorary Columbus resident to help organize.
- Exec board create a timeline to propose to the membership about whether or not we’re going to host and where. The people who were on the conference planning committee the year prior will help us. Will discuss more on listserv and at Nationals

SEEKING VOLUNTEERS FOR ARLISOV POSITIONS

- Chair elect
- Secretary/Treasurer
- Possibly web editor
- Alison Huftalen and Pam Eyerdam volunteered for Nomination Committee
- Beth Owens and Courtney Hunt for Travel Award Committee