

August 8, 2017
e-Meeting

1. **Opening of Meeting**
2. **Secretary's Report**
 - a. **Roll call.** Lucas Gravitt, President; Tonya Coffey, Treasurer; Sara Merideth, Laura Roche, Fayette Schools Rep; Past-President; Emmanuel Anama-Green, President-Elect; Agatha Manion, Secretary; Lydia Kohler, AATF President; Alfonso De Torres Núñez, KDE; Jennifer Kennedy, NNELL KY Rep; John Krueger, AATG Rep; jeanmarie Rouhier-Willoughby, Post-Secondary Liaison; Chris Anama-Green, AATSP President
 - b. **Minutes approval from Showcase:** Tabled until end of meeting
3. **Treasurer's Report:** Lucas shared out that our current balance is \$13,997.49. Some conference money has already come in and several vendors are paid. We are in a good financial position right now.
4. **President's Report:** Bit of a lull during summer. Not many website updates and Ben Hawkins has been working on the awards page of the new website. Lucas shared that it is now becoming evident that we don't really have an efficient way to manage updating the website on our own. For advocacy, we have partnered with an agency and we are present with legislators working for us. We need to promote that although you might now see our members of the KWLA executive board at meetings, the battle is being fought; just behind the scenes. Lucas has an idea to share about how to promote what we are doing for our teachers around the state.
5. **Regional Representatives:** Ben McMaine also shared out that there is a bit of a lull during summer. Region 5 needs an update? Email Ben for clarification. Lucas added that there will be a new round of regional representatives elections this year as this current group has now served their three year term.
6. **University Representative:** Because of summer break, there is not much news at the university level since the last meeting in the spring. We have recorded the most of the first two Language Talk podcasts for August and September. One more piece is needed for the August to be recorded on August 11. UK is planning a Nov. 1 World Languages Day for high school students, current students and alumnae.
7. **Affiliate Organizations**
 - a. **AATF:** Lydia Kohler shared out The AATF Kentucky Chapter has elected Dr. Julie Human as our Teacher of the Year for 2017. She is a very qualified candidate for KWLA Teacher of the Year. We are in talks with Transy professors Drs. Cochise and Arganbright to provide a professional learning opportunity in the fall. Showcase was a great success this year. Over 200 students registered for this event on UK's campus and the event went smoothly. Organizers will be speaking soon to plan the 2018 event!
 - b. **AATG:** AATG President, John Krueger, reports that KY Chapter of AATG is will be searching for a new Secretary this Fall, as Susan Carson - after years of service - would like to hand the baton to a new person. In addition two UK Professors, Bess Dawson and Brenna Byrd had the idea to apply financial

support through AATG Chapter Project grant for a project they call “Deshalb Deutsch!” (Therefore German!) As a part of the project UK students enrolled in German 201 will work together with local high school students to create a commercial advertisement which addresses why one should study German. Entries will be shown and voted on and best project will be highlighted on the University of Kentucky German website. The proposed project would take place at the close of both the Spring 2018 and Fall 2018 semesters.

c. **AATSP:** Chris Anama-Green shared **Change in Leadership**

At the September 2016 AATSP-KY meeting, Gloria Newsome was elected President, Chris Anama-Green President-Elect, Tanya Coffey Treasurer, Liz Cobb Secretary, Spanish Honor Society State Director Catherine Del Valle (continuing from previous year), and National Spanish Exam Coordinator Hilary Landwehr announced that she would resign at the end of the 2016-2017 school year.

It is customary for previous leadership to provide updated officer and contact information to headquarters. However (unknown to new leadership at the time) this did not occur. Gloria (new president) attempted to work with previous leadership during the 2016-2017 school year but was unable to get information about reporting and financial requirements. Gloria also contacted AATSP several times and was unable to gain cooperation.

At the end of the 2016-2017 school year, Gloria announced her retirement and Chris Anama-Green began checking into the status of AATSP-KY with headquarters after Gloria reported difficulty getting assistance. After numerous phone calls and e-mails, AATSP headquarters agreed to accept minutes from the fall 2016 meeting and to update the KY-AATSP's contact information on AATSP.ORG.

Finances

Due to the aforementioned difficulties in leadership transition, no annual report was filed with AATSP-KY headquarters before the February deadline. According to AATSP headquarters, due to “tax regulations” AATSP will no longer reimburse or provide dues shares to state organizations after the report deadline. As such AATSP-KY did not/will not receive *any* membership dues or reimbursements for 2016. According to AATSP headquarters, notification of new reporting requirements was sent to the e-mail addresses on file (and, as mentioned above, those were not updated when leadership changed).

To date, previous leadership has been unable to provide new leadership with financial details regarding the organization (including bank account information, name of bank, balance, etc.) despite several attempts from both Gloria and Chris to get the information from previous leadership. Further, per national AATSP headquarter rules the executive director is a signee on every state account. However, the executive director of the national AATSP headquarters has yet to return the multiple calls placed and e-mails sent this summer seeking assistance in gaining access to bank account information.

Current plans are to continue to follow up with AATSP headquarters while attempting to work with previous leadership during the upcoming KWLA conference and AATSP meeting. (Ideally new leadership can attempt to go together in person with previous leadership to update bank account information while we are all in Louisville, assuming the bank has a branch in Louisville). If this is unsuccessful, KY-AATSP leadership will determine the next course of action.

National Spanish Exam

After many years coordinating the National Spanish Exam for Kentucky, Dr. Hilary Landwehr announced at the 2016 AATSP-KY meeting that she would resign at the end of the 2016-2017 school year.

Following a long search, Ruth Pascual agreed to accept the position and to become the National Spanish Exam Coordinator beginning with the 2017-2018 school year.

Sociedad Honoraria Hispánica

Continuing to build positive momentum with website work and with planning for the annual state convention. Student members are assigned to improve sections of the website in the coming year and to complete research on the history of SHH in Kentucky.

Communications

AATSP-KY is making efforts to improve communications to members. AATSP headquarters recently agreed to provide AATSP-KY with a member mailing list. The possible use of this list for distribution of news items and updates to members will be discussed at the AATSP-KY meeting.

A Wordpress website for AATSP-KY is under construction (Preview: <https://kyaatsp.wordpress.com>). When funding issues are resolved, a domain name will be purchased.

It remains unclear who is an administrator of AATSP-KY's Facebook page and thus who to ask for help in adding new administrators. The last update was posted in 2012. If this is not resolved soon, a new Facebook page for the organization will be created and a request will be sent to Facebook to merge the two pages.

AATSP-KY Teacher of the Year

The AATSP-KY Teacher of the Year is Lisa Garner. Lisa presented an outstanding application and was chosen to represent AATSP-KY as Teacher of the Year without hesitation. Lisa's award will be presented at the AATSP-KY meeting during the KWLA conference.

- d. KCA: No latin representative with us

- e. **KAJLT:** KAJLT hosted the annual Japanese Speech Contest on March 4. It was a successful event with the audience of 100+ people. KAJLT hosted a teacher workshop titled "Global Business and Japanese Language Education" on April 15, with the funding support from the Japan Foundation Los Angeles and the American Association of Teachers of Japanese. It was attended by 31 people from Kentucky and neighboring states. There are new teaching positions in the area (as far as Atsushi is aware of). There is apparently a lack of qualified teachers in the area. 3 high schools in Franklin County. Jackson Independent School in Breathitt County Three students (Eastern High, Lafayette High, and Atherton High) were awarded the KAJLT Student of the Year award this year. There was no nomination for the KAJLT teacher of the year this year.
- f. **KACLT**
- g. **NNELL:** There is not much to report over the summer. NNELL-KY is still in the process of determining their Teacher of the Year but hope to have a winner soon.
- h. **JCPS (Ex-Officio)**
- i. **FCPS (Ex-Officio)** 5 visiting teachers from Spain arrived and were trained, 66 seal of biliteracy students graduated, Kagan professional development coming soon, FCPS curriculum k-5 about to become public along with cheat sheets. Added Chinese to some elementary schools in town. Unfortunately, losing Chinese and Japanese at a few schools in FCPS. Mini world language conference for FCPS opened up to surrounding counties. Teachers will be the presenters. Immersion enrollment is growing rapidly. Jean-Marie mentioned the podcast. Welcome Back podcast will be ready Aug 11th. The second podcast focusing on comprehensible input is finished. Grant Boulanger called in and would like to come back again. Should be released September 1. Noticed that two podcasts are missing from KWLA's website but they are correctly listed on UK's website.
- j. **KDE (Ex-Officio)**

Curriculum and Instruction

1. GC-WLs Program Review Per SB1, Program Review no longer exists. For information on Program Reviews and CHANGES and NEW INFORMATION as a result of SB 1: KDE's Program Reviews webpage
2. Standards Review and Revision Per SB1, a review and revision process for all academic standards is to be initiated. For World Languages:
 - i. The reviewing process will start on school year 2018-19
 - ii. The approval process will likely happen on Summer 2019
 - iii. The implementation will start on school year 2019-20

Assessment

1. New accountability system Second reading before the Kentucky Board of Education postponed. For information on accountability system: KDE's Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) webpage.
 - i. Accountability at a Glance (as presented to the KBE on 6/6/17)

- ii. Kentucky Accountability Data and Measures (as presented to the KBE on 6/6/17)
- iii. Proposed Accountability System PowerPoint (as of 6/12/17)
- 2. Seal of Biliteracy and Global Citizenship Certificate No updates

Professional Learning

- 1. 2017 Kentucky Center Academies: Arts, World Language and Cultural Studies – Eastern KY Ashland (July 24-25) & Hazard (July 27-28). Great success, 40+ attendants
- 2. ASL Survival Toolkit Continues growing
- 3. KY Teacher Global Competency and World Languages Newsletter Addition of Dual Language Immersion section
- 4. Professional Learning funded by KDE for DLI programs and WLs teachers Delaware Summer Institute and Instructional materials for DLI programs
 - i. JCPS team attended and it was a success.
 - ii. FCPS projected to attend next year, partially funded by KDE. ACTFL MOPI Trainings for World Languages teachers (and also DLI teachers) Still negotiating with ACTFL, so that KDE can fund these trainings.
- 5. Global Competency and World Languages regional cadres 2017-18 Approved for 2017-18, 3 sessions planned, focused on 6 Core Practices.

Administrative Support

- 1. KET WLs Toolkit KDE funding approved to continue the work on the toolkits and their expansion. French has been published, German about to. Initial conversations for ASL.
- 2. KDE Visiting International Teachers program Exploring partnerships with other countries to address WLs teacher shortage (Mexico, Argentina and Canada). New cohort of Visiting International Teachers
 - i. 8 from Spain this upcoming school year, 23 total
 - ii. 13 from China this upcoming school year, 33 total

Addition of resources:

- i. Kentucky Department of Education Visiting International Teacher Program Expectations and Agreements
- ii. KDE Visiting International Teacher Program Guide
- iii. Financial Disclosure for Visiting International Teachers Coming to Kentucky

Other topics

- 1. Charter Schools: Commissioner of Education on Charter Schools: Webcast KDE's webpage on Charter Schools Kentucky Department of Education names Charter Director
- 2. Civics Education KDE's Civics Test webpage Conversation with Kentucky Council for the Social Studies (KCSS) president Where does World Languages fit in the conversation?
- 3. National level The funding bill for FY2018 presented by the House Appropriations Committee Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies (Labor-H), passed out of full committee, eliminating all funding for

Fulbright-Hays, the overseas component of the Department of Education's International and Foreign Language Education (IFLE) programs. For more information, please connect with JNCL-NCLIS.

In follow-up conversation, Laura Roche asked if we could do some things to increase advocacy-can we invite KDE people to attend conference for free? Can we work to create a KY-based group of future WL teachers? Ben Hawkins wanted to ensure that we also keep focus on our biliteracy seal and continue to push for showing why world language is important.

8. **Showcase Committee:** Lydia Kohler has been working with Jeanmarie and they have decided that March 24th is looking like the best date for 2018 showcase.
9. **Conference Committee:** Lucas shared that registration is open, and that rooming information will be shared soon for board members. August 24 is the deadline for reserving a room. Registration link is same as last year. Has been adjusted for student rate and retiree amount. Workshop schedule is already done Sara Merideth shared that she has been in contact with Ted Zaro and we will need to coordinate a board member to pick Ted up from the airport and return him to the airport. Laura Roche volunteered to pick Ted up. Cvent has been reaching out to Lucas Gravitt and Sara Merideth to offer their event management services. Lucas has been very impressed with what he has seen so far. His favorite resource is the kiosks for self check-in and name tag printing. Price for annual software subscription is a bit higher but definitely a resource to consider for this year or next year. Doesn't have to be decided on today but will be presented to conference committee next week. It will be cheaper if we use cvent for Showcase and PDs. Without a webmaster, we are saving \$5,000 a year. Emmanuel Anama-Green shared out that Dr. Pruitt and Dr. Ellis are both attending conference and we are looking for the best time for the commissioner to speak. Sara Merideth added that we need to make sure all new board members are aware of how to register for the special board member rate room and the requirement to work for at least three hours during the weekend. Emmanuel Anama-Green shared out that there were 56 conference proposals for this year and all were of very high quality

10. Committee Reports

- a. **Advocacy (J. Van Houten)** no report received but Lucas Gravitt shared that he speaks with Jacque often and there are things happening.
- b. **Awards (B. Hawkins)** Ben Hawkins shared that we are in good shape so far compared to some previous years. Most all paperwork is in and just a few holes left to fill. Outstanding teacher confirmed for AATF, AATSP, AATG, KACLT. None selected for AATJ this year. Other Languages do have a representative this year which is a positive step. Candidate has been submitted for Outstanding New Teacher but not all paperwork has been finalized. Outstanding Administrator is finalized and we have a candidate for Lifetime Achievement. Ben has realized that we need a more concrete system for who serves on this Awards Committee so that each year it isn't trying to figure out who will be part of the work. We also need to decide how the interviews will be handled this year. We have advertised this year that the interviews may take place with Skype or email. Perhaps we

could use GoToMeeting. We will also need a list of questions that are different from last year's.

- c. **Membership (S. Merideth)** All new membership terms have been updated on aMember. S. Merideth will work on updating conference attendees as registrations come in.
 - d. **Finance (T. Coffey)** No report from T. Coffey. L. Gravitt continues to get mail from the KWLA Mailbox in Lexington.
 - e. **Professional Development (L. Roche)** Might need to have someone take over for L. Roche as head of this committee because there is a slight conflict of interest with her position at FCPS. Suggestion for a possible PD? A new to WL Teaching....top 10 things to do as a new language teachers. Perhaps create a committee that makes a presentation. One suggestion...have the TOY do a presentation as part of the requirement for the award. Another thought....do like ICTFL is doing, having people from around the state do something from LILL. L. Roche volunteered S. Merideth to work on something along these lines for all teachers. Also, there is a YouTube Channel where they could access some small free videos, then come to KWLA for paid PD.
 - f. **501C3 ad hoc (L. Gravitt)** E. Anama-Green has a contact and they have been working with a CPA on this issue. Status is unknown right now.
11. **Old Business** - None
12. **New Business** - Winter Retreat has not been set yet, all board meeting dates will be set at conference.
- a. Advocacy - People contacted A. de Torres Nunez, who then contacted L. Gravitt and S. Merideth about what KWLA is doing to help advocate for their jobs. Thoughts for a campaign similar to ACTFL's Lead with Languages...not focused on legislation, but more on options to recruit future teachers. L. Gravitt is forming an ad hoc committee to investigate a KY Lead with Languages campaign. L. Gravitt, L. Roche, B. McMaine, J. Rouhier-Willoughby, S. Merideth. L. Gravitt will be the temporary chair.
 - b. Create some sort of bulletin board for job opportunities or job openings available. This could go on both the Facebook page and the website. Make an announcement of this on Twitter and at the conference.
13. **Upcoming Events**
- a. September 21 - Pre-Conference Board Meeting at the Conference (not actual business meeting, but a work meeting).
 - b. Conference 9/21-23.
14. **Adjournment.** E. Anama-Green moves to adjourn and Lydia Kohler seconds. Lucas Gravitt adjourned at 11:00 a.m.