

Kentucky World Language Association

Board Meeting Minutes

August 7, 2021

Zoom Meeting

J. Rouhier-Willoughby called the meeting to order at 9:01 AM.

1. The current Executive Board members present were J. Rouhier-Willoughby, L. Roché Youngworth, J. Hoban, S. Merideth, and M. Sexton

The current members of the Full Board and ex-officio members present were Alfonso de Torres Núñez (Awards Chair), A. Fieler (AATG), P. Gomez (AATSP), J. Kennedy (Communications), Brenna Byrd (post-secondary representative), Hubert Schroer (SESC), K. Tanno (KAJLT), L. Junker (KCA), A. Post (NKEC), A. Treesh (Fayette Private), C. McCoy (OVEC), S. Loveless (WKEC), Z. Liu (KACLT), J. Susini (AATF)

2. Minutes - C. Martin moved to approve the minutes. B. Byrd seconded. Motion passed.

3. Vacant Positions Updated

Ohio Valley and Kentucky Valley are still vacant. Please reach out to J. Rouhier-Willoughby if you are interested or have candidates

4. Updates

- Bylaws
- Professional Development
The conference is the PD focus
- Advocacy
The Seal of biliteracy has been approved. There will be monthly support meetings throughout the year. Anyone who hears about students or teachers who are receiving the seal needs to send that information to KWLA via Schoeder or De Torres
World language now has official legal standards.
- Awards
There are nominations in all categories. Materials should be fully submitted by early next week, at which time all pertinent information will be submitted to KWLA for voting. S. Merideth will be the awards emcee.
- Communications
As KWLA posts on social media, all board members should like and retweet as much as possible to promote
- Affiliate and Regional Rep News
 - i. NNELL
 1. Conference provided several features KWLA may want to adopt.
 - ii. University

1. Possible Seal of Biliteracy related conference
2. College Day
- iii. Regional
 1. Collection of Seal of Biliteracy data is slow but progressing
 2. There is still a hole for a KVEC representative
 3. KACLT received a large StarTalk grant
5. Conference
 - Board members need to register for the conference
 - Board members are needed to be session hosts; all session hosts will be able to attend the workshops for free. Each host will receive a template of how the session should run.
 - The silent auction needs to begin sooner for greater impact
 - Please continue reaching out for sponsors. As we receive more sponsors, S. Merideth, for funds, and J. Kennedy, for social media, both need to be informed to promote our sponsors. B. Byrd asks if there is a list of current sponsors; J. Kennedy responds it is on the website already.
 - The awards ceremony will be the official announcement for the Gravitt Fund
6. Breakout groups
 - i. Opening
 1. President's address
 2. Commissioner's address
 3. L. Roché Youngworth will do Seal of Biliteracy turn KY blue
 4. J. Hoban will describe the conference norms and schedule
 5. J. Kennedy will create a Zoom background, promote wearing blue the first day, and social media promotional materials
 - ii. Keynote
 1. J. Rouhier-Willoughby will introduce. Is there a title?
 2. J. Kennedy still needs headshots from some presenters
 - iii. Awards
 1. The group discussed the script: J. Hoban's TOY address, the awards, then the introduction of the Gravitt Foundation
 2. Can the awards be extended? Preferably not
 - iv. Sponsorships/Silent Auction
 1. Board members need to share contacts for possible sponsorships and digital auction items
 - v. Schedules and hosting
 1. Worked on the script
 2. Conference/presentation review form
 3. Every board member should host at least two sessions

M. Sexton moves to adjourn. H. Schroeder seconds. Meeting ended at 10:38 am.