

ASLTA Board meeting online 2.29.2016 LEAP DAY

Present: Vice President Keri Brooks, Treasurer Bill Newell, Secretary Ben Lewis, Professional Development Chair Christine Multra Kraft, Member at Large Andrew Bottoms, ASLHS Chair Jason Zinza, Evaluation Chair Amy June Rowley, Chapter Chair Brenda Schertz

Meeting called to order 8:38 PM Eastern

At the Face-to-Face meeting, we wrote out our duties/goals – share in the Google Drive

Next meetings:

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Meeting minutes from Face to Face meeting approved as read.

Ben/CMK will put previous minutes in folder in Google drive.

Newsletter – discussion on process. Shared between AnBo and Ben – use Google drive, establish folder, make sure someone else has reviewed your work before you submit “final” copy. AnBo can give final deadline for everything to be FINAL in the folder.

Discussion on how will send out. AnBo will check out Issuu – where people can access a “holding” site to view the newsletter, so we don’t have to worry about mailboxes blocking large files. We agreed will post on Facebook, to spread awareness about our organization. Discussion on how often the newsletter should go out – we’ve promised our sponsor 4 times a year. Can have 2 “full” editions and 2 “light” editions. Possibly in the future, we will display first page or two on Facebook, and if people want to read further, they can become members and get the full edition.

Discussion of monthly communication to our members – vlog, eBlast, announcements, eNewsletter. Agreed – the next newsletter will be the last newsletter sent to all contacts, meaning the summer edition will be the first edition where we will send only to members, and display the first page on Facebook, inviting people to become members if they want to see the rest.

Next deadline for Newsletter articles – April 7 for FINAL versions of your articles/information.

Discussion on community reaction to Veditz sponsorship announcement. Reiterating we will keep relationship/sponsorship of ASLTA clean. Arlene has not been and will not be part of any discussion of Veditz.

Evaluaton update:

Gallaudet pilot for new Evaluation system did not work out, so Amy and her Evaluation transition committee are moving forward with a pilot with up to 10 volunteers who are willing to test out the new system. So far, 6 people have committed to doing the pilot evaluation.

Need to vote on fees – this will be presented as part of a package proposal at the next meeting. Overview on fees for new certification shared. Bill, Keri, and Amy will work to refine package before Board can do final review and vote.

Training is set up for evaluators. All committed to one month worth of training – once a week, 2 hours per week. 60 minute presentation then time for questions. Now working on scheduling training.

Amy is in process of contacting the 6 states that require ASLTA certification for their teachers. NC, Fla, Washington, Michigan, Virginia and one more to make sure they are aware of the test system updates and that their certification law changes

Evaluation program is now sending letters to people with lapsed certifications explaining the new system. Letter is going soon to those holding valid Qualified and Professional certifications explaining what the rollover will look like.

Brenda & Jason are working on the rubric for new evaluation .

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Tentative Face to Face meeting dates: 6/23-26

June 23 – arrive, for face to face meeting on June 24, 25, 26 – depart evening of 26th.