

South Dakota State Library Board

MINUTES

Regular Meeting

October 19, 2023, at 1:30 pm CT
South Dakota State Library
800 Governors Drive, Pierre SD 57501-2235

REGULAR MEETING

Members Present	Jane Norling, Bob Frieberg, Tom Nelson, Janice Minder, Kim Borsch, and Stacey Kvale
Members Absent	Travis Aslesen
Others Present	Josh Easter, Lynette Thum, Abby Wright, Sarah Easter, Kathleen Slocum, Brenda Hemmelman, Robyn Ladd-Moeckly, Virginia Kaus, Kim Bonen, Nina Mentzel, Cheyenne Chontos, Shawn Behrends, Barb Nickolas, Scottie Bruch, Wynne Nafus Sayer, George Seamon, and Quynn Verhelst; State Library. Mary Stadick Smith, Department of Education.
Call to Order/ Roll call	President Nelson called the regular meeting to order at 1:33 pm CT. Verhelst read the roll call. There was a quorum.
Declaration of Conflicts of Interest	None.
Adoption of Agenda	A MOTION was made by Kvale and seconded by Frieberg to approve the agenda as amended. MOTION CARRIED
Welcome	Nelson welcomed everyone to the meeting. Seamon introduced attendees.
Approval of Minutes	A MOTION was made by Norling and seconded by Minder to approve the minutes of the July 20, 2023, meeting as written. MOTION CARRIED
Staff Reports	<p>ALS Update – Josh Easter, Lynette Thum, and Kathleen Slocum</p> <p>Josh reported on the quarterly social club, the topic was the National Federation for the Blind Newsline, a service that allows print-disabled access to current news in audio and large print, recording studios around the state.</p> <p>Lynette informed the board as of this morning, Accessible Library Services (ALS) has 2,055 active patrons, since January 1, 2023, ALS has duplicated 90,381 titles, and has sent out 361 audio descriptive DVDs.</p> <p>Kathleen spoke about vendor tables and presenting at conferences. They are getting positive feedback. Kathleen's goal in the next year is to get the word out about who they are and what they do.</p>

Digitization Project Update – Robyn Ladd-Moeckly

Robyn gave a brief overview of digitizing materials, our “V” shaped scanner, software used to digitize the pages and Scan Days.

Q & A from the Board

There was a question from the board about Scan Day and whether it was available at the State Library. Could patrons bring their things here and have them scanned?

No, it is not something we normally do. It was a decision that was made when we first started scan days. Our purpose is to digitize for state government and for libraries. We added the program to go out to partner libraries and their patrons from their communities can come in and have things scanned and we can educate the libraries that we are partnering with on what equipment to purchase and how to service their own communities.

**Report of the
State Librarian**

George Seamon reported on:

- Training
 - DOE purchased Canvas, an online learning management software. SDSL will also be using this system for any face-to-face registration or online courses.
 - Scottie Bruch is our admin for library training.
 - Regional Training on Policy was held in Sturgis and Mitchell. Will have an online training soon.
 - Literacy Workshop was postponed due to low registrations.
 - Discovery Day at the SD Discovery Center
 - An opportunity for 7th graders to learn about different careers.
 - Staff will offer 4 45-minute sessions.
 - SDLA Conference in Rapid City
 - SD Festival of the Book vendor table in Deadwood.
- Personnel Update
 - Kathleen Slocum is the new Accessible Library Services (ALS) manager.
 - Cheyenne Chontos moved into the Continuing Education Coordinator position.
 - Virginia “Ginny” Kaus has joined the ALS staff as a Reader Advisor.
 - Mike Smith in ALS has retired. Interviews will start for that position soon.
 - Mary Schumacher in Digitization passed away due to illness.
 - Bringing in a temp from the Department of Human Services who is looking to gain some job skills. She will be with the library for 5-8 weeks.
 - Will open the position after that time.
 - Carlie Armstrong in Inter-Library Loan has resigned.
- Changes
 - Finishing up some remodel projects.
 - Purchasing new tables and chairs, a newspaper rack, a display, and new computer desks.
 - Next, we will be remodeling the mail room area, the recording studio, and the work room.

OLD BUSINESS

Certified Librarian Courses Follow-up

George spoke with colleagues at other state libraries and there is a demand in other states for something different, specifically for school librarians. There is a movement going on.

Certification Requirement Follow-up

George will follow up with DOE certification staff.

Recognition of Services Plaque

A plaque for Monte Loos has been ordered.

NEW BUSINESS

Recognition of board reappointment

Travis Aslesen and Tom Nelson were reappointed to the State Library board. Their terms will end on October 30, 2026.

Election of Officers

A discussion was had by board members. Currently, Tom Nelson is President and Jane Norling is Vice President.

A MOTION was made by Minder and seconded by Borsch to keep the officers as is.
MOTION CARRIED

Meeting Dates and locations

Seamon proposed the following meeting dates:

February 15, 2024, at 1:30 pm CT via Zoom

April 18, 2024, at 1:30 pm CT via Zoom

July 18, 2024, at 1:30 pm CT at the State Library in Pierre.

October 17, 2024, at 1:30 pm CT via Zoom

Next Meeting

February 15, 2024, at 1:30 pm CT via Zoom

Public Comment

None

Adjournment

A MOTION was made by Norling and seconded by Frieberg to adjourn the meeting at 2:18 pm CT.