

TASL Annual Business Meeting Minutes October 4, 2013

Welcome, Introductions, and Call to Order

The annual business meeting of the Tennessee Association of School Librarians was held in Murfreesboro, TN at Embassy Suites Conference Center October 4, 2013. President Beth Frerking called the meeting to order at 11:00 am and welcomed members and special guests.

Opening Remarks

Tennessee First Lady, Crissy Haslam gave the opening remarks thanking librarians for their service and sharing her efforts as First Lady to improve literacy for Tennessee children.

Approval of Minutes and Treasurer's Report

The minutes from the 2012 annual business meeting and the treasurer's report were included in conference program. The president asked members to review these and then called for additions and corrections to the minutes. There were none and the minutes were approved as submitted.

2014 Slate of Officers

Hannah Little, Immediate Past President and the nominating committee recommended the following slate

of officers:	President	Mona Batchelor
	President-Elect	Lora Ann Black
	Secretary	Tracy Parker
	Treasurer	Nancy Dickinson

These members were invited to the stage. The president called for nominations from the floor. There were none. Lynn Caruthers moved we close nominations and Karen Haggard seconded. The motion passed by a two-thirds majority. Beth Frerking called for a vote on the slate of officers; the slate of officers was accepted by a two-thirds majority.

Recognitions

The president asked all who had contributed to TASL Conference 2013 to stand and be recognized. She also thanked Mona Batchelor for her work as Conference Chair. Paige Eisemann, TASL Bookmark Contest Chair came forward and recognized the winners of the inaugural TASL Bookmark Contest and presented them with their awards.

Membership

Membership Chair, Cristol Kapp reported memberships to date were at 800. She encouraged people to renew membership soon and to promote TASL to others.

AASL News

Pam Renfro shared AASL news and membership benefits emphasizing the rewards of even bigger professional networks.

Professional Development

Bekki Atkinson and Mindy Nichols, Professional Development Co-chairs shared information on "Tool Time" Summer professional development and encouraged all to attend. The dates are in June.

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Call to Conference

Mona Batchelor announced next year's conference dates and theme: October 23-25, MVPs @ Your School: Librarians Building "More Valuable Programs". Beth Frerking also invited members to the planning conference planning meeting and encouraged members to get involved.

Closing

Mona Batchelor thanked outgoing president, Beth Frerking for her service to TASL and presented her with a gift. The meeting adjourned at 11:55 and was followed by guest speaker, Marc Aronson.