

TASL EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES - February 11, 2023

Welcome, Introductions and Call to Order: An executive board meeting of the Tennessee Association of School Librarians was held on February 11th, 2023. The meeting convened at 9:00A.M. CST with President Katelyn Jernigan presiding.

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT

Katelyn Jernigan
Dustin Hensley
Katie Capshaw
Mallory Nygard
Angela Frederick
Blake Hopper
Andrea Batson
Laura Dowd
Mary Foister
Sandi Walden
Martha Harris
Michelle Howell
Sarah Hubbard
Elizabeth Shepherd

VOTING MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Heather Alexander
Amber Groves
Elizabeth Parnell
Brandi Hartsell

OTHERS PRESENT

Krista Grace
Ginny Britt
Xan Lasko
Amanda Smithfield
Kaitlyn Benavides
Courtney Brown
Kate Pritchard
Ari Baker
Andrea Zielke
Kelly Messerly
Christa Cordrey

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes to be approved virtually following this meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

M-FEB11-01: Katie Capshaw made a motion to approve the agenda. Motion seconded by Blake Hopper. Motion carries.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mallory Nygard

Committee Actions:

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Profit & Loss

January 1 through February 6, 2023

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Income		
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Total Income		<u>15,725.00</u>
Gross Profit		<u>15,725.00</u>
Expense		
Board Expense		257.00
MemberClicks		446.70
PO Box Rental		212.00
President Elect Expenses		299.00
Total Expense		<u>1,214.70</u>
Net Income		<u><u>14,510.30</u></u>

Current amounts in our bank accounts:

Savings: \$20,003.44

Secondary: \$33,660.40

Checking: \$3,773.30

Total: \$57,437.14

Committee Plans:

Follow up with members who have renewed, but not paid yet. There are 300+ invoices still open in Memberclicks. The goal set in the budget was to bring in \$28,000 in membership. I estimate the unpaid membership invoices will bring in about another \$15,000.

Additional Comments:

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COMMITTEE AND TASK FORCE REPORTS

ADVOCACY COMMITTEE

TBD

- **BOOKMARK SUBCOMMITTEE - Krista Grace**
- **EDI SUBCOMMITTEE - Caroline Mickey**

Committee Actions:

Position currently vacant, but Krista Grace is heading the Bookmark Contest
The bookmark contest theme for 2022-2023 is Read, Learn, and Explore @ Your School Library.

Emails have been sent out to notify the membership of the contest.

Social media posts have been made.

Amber Douglas, art teacher for Lexington High School in Lexington, TN. will be the judge for the contest.

The dates for the contest will be January 30-March 3, 2023. Entries must be postmarked by Friday, March 3, 2023.

Committee Plans:

We will continue to post on social media to encourage participation.

CERTIFICATION & STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Ginny Britt

Committee Actions:

No actions to this point.

Committee Plans:

- Currently, I do not believe we have any committee members. If you know anyone who might want to join me in this journey, please be in touch.
- Email to membership - see if anyone might be interested in being on the committee.
- Support for the membership:
 - Webinar on AASL Standards
 - Session at TASL Conference

Additional Comments:

Certification - looking for clarification on responsibilities

Would love to work with our future State Library Coordinator

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Dustin Hensley

Committee Actions:

- Dates confirmed
 - November 5-7, 2023
 - Embassy Suites Murfreesboro
- Contacting former committee members to confirm they are helping again
- The following members are confirmed:
 - 2023 TASL President and Business Meeting - Katelyn Jernigan
 - Secretary/Registration - Heather Alexander
 - Treasurer - Mallory Nygard
 - 2023 Immediate Past President and Featured Speakers - Katie Capshaw
 - Exhibit Hall, Sponsorships, Door Prizes - Blake Hopper & Dr. Ginny Britt
 - Social Media - Kelly Messerly
- Theme
 - **Banned:** Band Together



- Logo -

Committee Plans:

- Continue to confirm committee members
- Contact people who have expressed interest in helping with conference and get them plugged in
- Confirm Prices and Registration deadlines
- Figure out what to do about the bookstore re: Barnes & Noble
- Speaking with Embassy Suites soon to confirm rooms, times, etc.
- Katie is working on featured speakers

Additional Comments:

- Open to all feedback and suggestions!

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

Heather Alexander

No report submitted.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

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INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM COMMITTEE

Xan Lasko

Committee Actions:

The IF committee has collected information from the 2022 end-of-year survey taken recently. This information was shared with ALA for its year end report. It was also forwarded to the TNLA IF committee. Infographic attached. Also note the [EveryLibrary](#) report for Tennessee. They have a few specific items (in red) that did not show with

our survey. Here is a link to their full spreadsheet [here](#). This will give a good idea of popular book titles being challenged.

We also attended the SIFnet quarterly meeting with ALA.

- I have linked the slides [here](#) and have highlighted in yellow what stood out in our meeting.
- As for Michigan's defunded library, an update in the [Lanthorn Newspaper](#) notes its closing in 2025. Some states are experiencing our (TN) 2022 legislative chaos.
- Shadow banning came up over and over.
- Some cities/county citizens are harassing librarians (mostly public).
- Read about Pink Slime journalism in Pennsylvania
- We are in step with other states as far as proactive practices.
 - New Jersey is very proactive with ongoing public sessions to gather supporters of libraries regularly. Read the [link](#).

Committee Plans:

Work on making a form for challenges on our website that mirrors the ALA form. This would potentially make it easier for librarians to report using the same write up for both and help keep track of our challenge/bans.

Additional Comments:

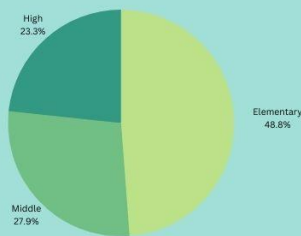
We, along with the legislative and advocacy team, are on standby for the development of upcoming bills in the legislature this session.



2022 End of Year Intellectual Freedom Survey

Responses

There were 43 responses reported to our survey regarding Intellectual freedom.



Demographics

About half of the respondents were in elementary schools. Middle and high schools were fairly equal in responses. Twenty-five counties are represented in the responses.

Challenges

Of the 43 responses received, 14 challenges were reported in 25 counties.



Formal Challenges

Books Involved	Outcomes
<u>Me, Earl and the Dying Girl</u> by Jesse Andrews	unknown
<u>A Place Inside of Me</u> by Zetta Elliott	Reviewed and kept
A list of over 50 titles were initially pulled without following proper process.	Eventually, review committee decided to remove <u>Simon vs. the Homo Sapiens Agenda</u> from all district libraries, along with <u>Flamer</u> and <u>Rick</u> .
<u>Sold</u> by Patricia McCormick	Not challenged publicly, but being questioned by school board members
1- <u>A Place Inside of Me</u> by Zetta Elliott 2- <u>Ways to Make Sunshine</u> by Renee Watson 3- <u>Lawn boy</u> by Jonathan Evison	1-Reviewed and kept 2-under review by school board 3-review committee told to pull
<u>Laura Dean Keeps Breaking Up with Me</u> by Mariko Tamaki	Removed from all middle school libraries
<u>No More Poems!: A Book in Verse That Just Gets Worse</u> by Rhett Miller	School level challenge - outcome unknown
1- <u>Where the Crawdads Sings</u> by Delia Owens 2- <u>Speak</u> by Laurie Halse Anderson 3- <u>Field Guide to the North American Teenager</u> by Ben Philippe 4- <u>Every Last Word</u> by Tamara Ireland Stone	All under review by a district committee
1- <u>Ways to Make Sunshine</u> by Renee Watson 2- <u>Lawn Boy</u> by Jonathan Evison 3- <u>A Place Inside of Me</u> by Zetta Elliott	1-Under Review 2-Reviewed and pulled 3-reviewed and kept
<u>Frankenstein</u> Graphic Novel	Child was offered an alternate title and book was kept

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Lindsey Kimery

Committee Actions:

- Met on November 30, 2022, to discuss strategy for 2023 TN General Assembly; sent email template to TASL members asking them to contact their legislators, congratulate them on election/ re-election and to ask for their support for libraries in the next legislative session.
- Met on January 25, 2023 to discuss legislation that has been proposed thus far; we shared reports and concerns from our areas regarding challenges and implementation of the classroom libraries requirements, and our policy & advocacy agenda
- Lindsey Kimery shared "Legislation & Its Impact on School Libraries" with the League of Women Voters on February 4, 2023.
- Lindsey Kimery and Amanda Smithfield regularly attend the Edtrust Coalition & Alliance meetings, which is helping us understand the legislative process even more.

Committee Plans:

We will schedule our next meeting soon.

Additional Comments:

We are excited about having more TASL members on the task force!

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Martha Harris

Committee Actions:

There was lots of activity in January and February with membership renewals.

Our administrative website had an outage, which caused delays. Also the post office mislabeled the new TASL PO Box, which caused a few returned checks.

After all that was sorted out, we are at about 392 active members.

We extended the deadline for prizes for the membership drive to the 31st of January. Winners are listed below.

Committee Plans:

Continue to help members join, although it will be quiet until summer pd and conference time when we always get another influx.

Additional Comments:

*** PD and conference committee, note the winners of free registrations. Also, t-shirts will be claimed at conference registration time. ***

Winners:

Sonda Newton - free conference registration

Crystal Dougan - free summer PD registration

Valerie Michel (student)- free TASL t-shirt

Julie Halkiades - free TASL t-shirt

MENTORSHIP COMMITTEE

Kaitlyn Benavides and Courtney Brown

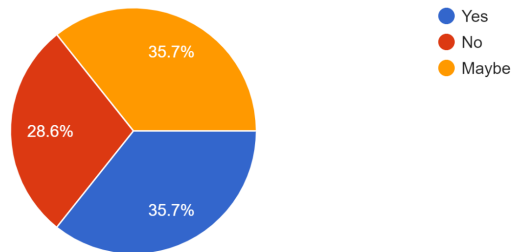
Committee Actions:

Administered a Survey to gauge interest and collect information on pre-existing programs for new librarians.

The survey and results can be viewed [HERE](#). 14 respondents, most of which are willing to be mentors. Many programs for new librarians are already in place in larger county systems, but not in smaller systems.

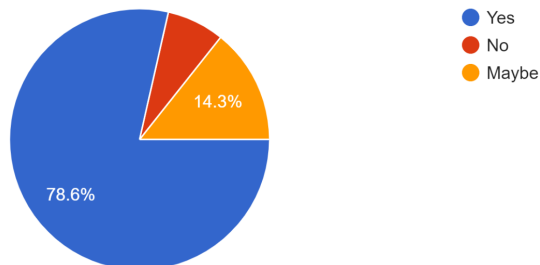
Does your County currently offer a mentoring opportunity for new Librarians/teachers?

14 responses



Would you be interested in participating as a Mentor to new Librarians through TASL?

14 responses



Committee Plans:

We hope to expand our reach with the survey before we move any further. We believe that perhaps there are many new librarians in the state who are not (YET) members of

TASL. We were thinking about possibly finding ways to communicate our survey to school districts to send to new librarians who may not yet be members. We may be able to tap into our member base and use those contacts to distribute the survey to librarians in each county. We think that this partnership could also serve as an advocacy tool to demonstrate all the wonderful things we offer at TASL.

Additional Comments:

If we still do not have a large amount of interested mentees, we may restructure the program to allow us to learn from one another. We brainstormed the possibility of providing digital spaces to collaborate, share ideas, and ask questions. Perhaps a “I wish I would have known” Padlet Wall to begin. We would be interested in sharing resources such as this on our social media platforms, websites, and newsletters. We could also have a “Mentoring Moment” sent out each month (as part of the newsletter or in addition to) using those who said they would be willing to be a mentor.

MICROCREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

Amber Groves and Heather Alexander

No report submitted

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Katie Capshaw

Committee Actions:

No actions currently

Committee Plans:

Plan to send out a survey to members to see if anyone is interested in serving on executive board.

Will form committee and begin looking for candidates before next board meeting.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Blake Hopper

Committee Actions:

Sent an email out about in-person host site volunteers

Set virtual date

Set In-person dates

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Host</u>
6/8/2023	Virtual	Blake Hopper, Katie Capshaw
6/1/2023	Franklin, Freedom Intermediate School	Dinah Wade

6/1/2023	Maryville, Elengleton Elementary School	Rebecca Dickenson and Alisa Mason
6/5/2023	Memphis/Cordova, St. Benedict at Auburndale High School	Paul Bryant bryantp@sbaeagles.org
6/6/2023	Tiptonville, Lake County High School	Shelly Arnett
6/6/2023	White House, White House High School (Annex)	rachel.watts@sumnerschools.org
6/13/2023	Bells, Bells Elementary	Lydia Crossnoe. lydiacrossnoe@bellscityschool.org
7/11/2023	Cookeville, Tennessee Tech University	Andrea Batson andreabatson@pcsstn.com
7/17/2023	Nashville, Tennessee State Library	Andrea Zielke
6/5/2023	Murfreesboro, Blackman High School	Misti Jenkins
TBD	Memphis, St. Agnes Academy - St. Dominic School	Sara Casey

Committee Plans:

Call for presenters

STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE

Katie Capshaw

Committee Actions:

No actions as of yet

Committee Plans:

To form committee, look over current strategic plan and tweak plan.

VSBA

Julie Caudle

Committee Actions:

Committees have made their final nominations with the new deadline for final

nominations due a month earlier in order to get the final lists out earlier to librarians in order for them to make their purchases in time for next year.

Committee Plans:

Committees are reading their nominations will be meeting in late March/early April to finalize the 23-24 VSBA lists. We will also roll out voting ballots for the 22-23 nominees in March and will announce the winners in early May.

AREA REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

Buffalo Region Area Representative Report

Angela Frederick

Area Updates:

I have sent an email to the buffalo@tasltn email introducing myself as the new rep for the region.

Since I work in Williamson County, I am aware of current challenges to books in the curriculum and libraries of Ravenwood and Franklin High Schools. Those challenges are still in process and have not reached the school board yet.

Area Plans:

I am attempting to create a database of emails for all the librarians in the Buffalo River Region school districts.

Clinch River Region Area Representative Report

Blake Hopper

No report submitted

Davidson County Region Area Representative Report

Amber Groves

No report submitted

Falling Water River Area Representative Report

Andrea Baston

Area Updates:

None

Area Plans:

We look forward to hosting a summer PD in Cookeville at Tennessee Tech University's Learning Resource Center. Their new makerspace area for educators, along with their school library program, provides a great space for professional learning and collegiality.

Hamilton County Region Area Representative Report

Laura Dowd

Area Updates:

March 13 Luncheon for Librarian of the Year Sponsored by Rotary, Read 20, WTCI.

WTCI is going to make our school board video for April.

Librarian book club is read the Gift of Story for our quarterly read.

Pebblego videos for kids?

Hatchie River Region Area Representative Report

Elizabeth Parnell

Area Updates:

I emailed the group and received no response.

Area Plans:

I plan to continue reaching out.

Additional Comments:

My library is getting a makeover! We have an innovative grant and will be working with Michael Stone and (hopefully) Ford to implement a MakerSpace/Fab Lab/STEM Lab in the library along with a complete aesthetic overhaul. A group from my school will be visiting Hamilton County Schools later this month!

Holston River Region Area Representative Report

Mary Foister

Area Updates:

I have emailed all members introducing myself as the Holston River representative.

Washington County:

With the implementation of TN's Digital Readiness K-8 Computer Science Standards in the 2023-2024 school year, librarians are expressing concern if the standards are going to be implemented during library class. If so, will there be a designated CS curriculum to follow? How will that be balanced?

Knox County Region Area Representative Report

Brandi Hartsell

No report submitted

Obion River Region Area Representative Report

Sandi Walden

Area Updates:

I checked in with my area asking for any updates, good news, etc, and asked about book challenges. I did not get any responses.

I also reminded my area about the bookmark contest.

Area Plans:

I will keep checking in periodically and keeping them informed.

Ocoee River Region Area Representative Report

Martha Harris

Area Updates:

No major updates reported from the area.

I did email the listserv regarding the following items

- membership renewal time with a link to the TASL membership page
- watch for Blake's emails about librarian of the month
- promoted the newsletter with a link to the most recent

Area Plans:

Continue to email periodically asking for input and sharing recent news

Red River Region Area Representative Report**Michelle Howell****Area Updates:**

Book Challenges:

Robertson County

Laura Dean Keeps Breaking Up With Me removed from middle school libraries. There is another book that may be challenged, Brave New World, but no word on that yet. Some board members suggested a review of all library collections, but no action has been taken.

Clarksville-Montgomery

Concerns are being raised by librarians about being required to teach classes all day and not having time to manage the library. Several schools are pulling the library assistants from the library for most of the day.

Sumner County Schools

A Place Inside of Me by Zetta Elliott was challenged by a parent at the school level. When the school's committee ruled to keep the book on the shelf, the parent appealed to the board. The board voted to keep the book. Lawn Boy by Jonathan Evison was brought up by a board member (he read snippets at a board meeting) as being pornographic. It was in 3 high schools and has been removed. Ways to Make Sunshine by Renee Watson was challenged by another parent and the school's committee ruled to keep the book as well. The ruling was appealed to the board, who voted to keep the book in school libraries. Finally, librarians who have The Perks of Being a Wallflower in their libraries have been directed to pull it. I am concerned about this trend.

Area Plans: Christa Cordrey is running Battle of the Books again this year. She says it's not too late to join in!

I was asked if I am planning on having a regional meet-up, and I would like to do so. Are other regions doing this?

Additional Comments:

Christa Cordrey also expressed concern over having to keep the library locked per her district's safety policy. It is challenging to effectively teach classes or to run programming when you have to answer the doorbell every few minutes. She conducted a survey of other libraries and found that keeping libraries locked is not consistent across the state. I concur that it makes teaching difficult, as I have reading intervention and speech classrooms in the library and I have to constantly stop and answer the door.

Kaye Byard from Kenwood Elementary School shared that she had author Stan Tucker visit her school and that she recommends him highly! [Stan Tucker Website](#)

Shelby County Region Area Representative Report**Sarah Hubbard****Area Updates:**

Three librarians in Bartlett received \$10,000 grants through the Bartlett Education Foundation and Commissioner Mick Wright. These grants are to be used for purchasing book vending machines for their schools. The vending machines will hopefully be in place before the school year is finished.

I've had one school share some pictures of their programming with me, which was of a collaboration with the public library system and their school DECA club. These will hopefully be shared through TASL sometime in March.

Six librarians in three of our municipal districts (Germantown, Bartlett and Lakeland) will be hosting Kazu Kibuishi for a week of author visits at the end of this month. Hopefully they will all send me plenty of pictures that we can share out through TASL!

Area Plans:

I sent out an interest form through the e-list about planning a "meet up" for the Shelby County librarians. I've had a few responses (amazing!), so it looks like I will plan a small get together sometime around spring break.

Stones River Region Area Representative Report**Elizabeth Shepherd****Area Updates:**

I emailed my region following the November board meeting to update them on everything that was shared that they might find beneficial.

Area Plans:

I will continue to keep my region updated with info from board meetings and will also encourage them to follow TASL on all social media platforms as well as tune in to our new podcast!

Additional Comments:

Rutherford Co has gotten all the bookkeepers on board with paying for TASL and AASL membership fees from library funds!

I was excited to have several librarians from Wilson County drop in to visit me in my library this past week. They were able to observe a couple of lessons and earn some valuable PD credit. Being able to learn from each other is my favorite way to spend a professional development day!

Also I recently booked Heather Montgomery to come to my school in May, this is our first author visit since before the pandemic.

REPORTS FROM AFFILIATES

AASL/ALA

Katelyn Jernigan

Affiliate Actions:

[ALA Office of Intellectual Freedom to Present Webinars on Book Challenges](#)

All school librarians are invited to attend Addressing Challenges in America's School Libraries, a complimentary webinar series presented by the ALA Office of Intellectual Freedom and sponsored by AASL. During the webinars, presenters will explore ways to advocate on local, state, and national levels; share where school librarians can seek help in navigating challenges; provide a review of minors' rights under the First Amendment; and present examples of how the courts have addressed challenges to materials in schools. Register at bit.ly/OIFaasl.

Affiliate Plans:

Will attend the Chapter Assembly meeting on February 15

ALA Annual Conference in Chicago June 22-27

AASL Conference in Tampa October 19-21

TNLA

Kate Pritchard

Affiliate Actions:

From TNLA's Advocacy Division: The Intellectual Freedom Committee has chosen a speaker for the Intellectual Freedom Luncheon Speaker for the TNLA conference in April: Jennie Rose Halperin of Library Futures. Cassandra Taylor is the new Chair of the Diversity and Inclusion Committee.

Affiliate Plans:

TN Library Legislative Day is scheduled for April 4, 2023

TNLA is considering joining the [Tennessee Alliance for Equity in Education](#) and the [Tennessee Coalition for Truth in Our Classrooms](#)

Registration is open for the TNLA Annual Conference in Memphis, April 11-13

TENN-SHARE

Ari Baker

Affiliate Actions:

- In January 2023 we welcomed two new school library representatives onto our board. Larissa McMahan who is a Library/Media Specialist at Sevierville Primary School (Sevier County Schools) in Sevierville, TN and Julie Caudle who is the librarian at Page Middle School (Williamson County Schools) in Franklin, TN.

Affiliate Plans:

- Please join us for the following school library focused sessions during Tenn-Share's [Spring Webinar Series](#).
- 3/1/23, 4pm CST / 5pm EST [School Author Talk Program Series Info Session](#) (click to register)
 - Learn more about Library Speakers Consortium, an organization working to bring regular author events to elementary schools. For a fee, each school would pay to access 2-3 interactive children's author events each month, live streamed on a microsite custom-branded for each school. Pricing is based on the size of the school with the goal of making the program accessible for communities of all sizes across the state. Come learn about this exciting opportunity to increase access to bestselling children's authors for your students. Please also note that there is special 50% off pricing for schools that join for the program launch so this may be worth exploring sooner rather than later if it is of potential interest. Presented by Zach Rubin ([Library Speaker Consortium](#)). Learn more about the offer [here](#).
- 3/22/23, 4pm CST / 5pm EST [School Libraries Roundtable](#) (click to register)
 - Gather with other school librarians to talk shop about how you are growing your collection, share about products you are enjoying, discuss vendor issues and see how we can work to better support each other! Facilitated by Andrea Zielke ([TEL](#)).
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- Area reps, feel free to share the above info with your constituents using this graphic below



Affiliate Actions:

TEL added PebbleGo in January 2023. Training will be scheduled for March. Working to get bookmarks and such.

Summer Reading programs for public libraries will start in late spring/early summer. Theme is All Together Now. Please contact your local public library for events that can encourage your students to read all summer long!

Affiliate Plans: TEL will be an exhibitor at TLA Annual Conference in April.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Consider raising conference registration fees by \$25 across the board. Updated fees would be as follows:

	Early Bird Deadline: TBD	Regular Deadline: TBD	Late Deadline: TBD
Members*	\$175	\$200	\$225
Non-Members	\$275	\$300	\$325
Exhibits Only (Sunday)	Members: \$75 Non-Members: \$125	Members: \$90 Non-Members: \$140	Members: \$105 Non-Members: \$155

M-FEB11-02: Ginny Britt moved to increase conference fees by \$25 across the board. Blake Hopper seconded. Motion carries.

NEW BUSINESS

Area Reps - discuss changing term from 3 years to 2 years
Katelyn felt 3 years was too long and no one else serves a term that long except TASL President. Also have the goal to have half the reps roll off one year and the other half the next year.

M-FEB11-03: Katie Capshaw moved to change the area representative term from a three year term to a two year term. Martha Harris seconded. Motion carries.

Proposed changes to Handbook

- Remove Technology Committee
- Move EDI Committee to Advocacy Committee

- Move Awards Committee to Conference Committee

As President Katelyn has the power to make these changes without a vote. She will let Heather Alexander know about the changes that need to be updated in the Handbook.

DISCUSSIONS

What are some ways to increase content behind the paywall (aka for paying members only)?

- Discussion Board - nothing like that exists in Memberclicks. Options suggested included Slack. Tabled this discussion in order to do more research on options.
- Lesson Ideas
- Flyers for recurring events
- Library Signage examples
- AASL Standards support
- Various credentials in addition to the microcredential
- Author Database
- Advocacy resources
- Mentor/mentee resources

Katelyn plans to create a task force (name tbd) to get these resources organized and work out how to organize and contain them behind the paywall on the website.

Reminder about using Personal Emails instead of school emails - it is highly recommended that members switch their TASL email to their personal email. Katelyn recommended that the membership form online encourage new members to use their personal email when signing up and when renewing. Christa said she could add verbage to indicate that on the online forms.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are looking for new Advocacy Chair! Contact Katelyn Jernigan if interested.

Check out the new TASL podcast! Blake and Katie are doing a great job!

Next meeting will be April 29th at the TN State Library and Archives.

ADJOURNMENT

M-FEB11-04: Xan Lasko moved to adjourn. Blake Hopper seconded. Motion carries. The meeting adjourned at 11:05AM CST.

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ALA Chicago - June 22-27, 2023
AASL Conference Tampa FL - October 19-21, 2023
TASL Con 2023 - November 5-7, 2023
Summer PD - (see PD Committee Report above for dates)

Respectfully submitted,

**Elizabeth Shepherd
Stones River Area Rep**

(subbing for Heather Alexander, TASL Secretary 2023)