

 Summary of PSLA Board Meeting on October 11, 2014

President’s Report:

* Michael Nailor attended the PA Forward Information Literacy Summit at Penn State University’s Paterno Library on July 23, 2014.
* Michael attended a workshop at the Free Library of Philadelphia on August 13, 2014, on the implications of lobbying for nonprofit organizations.
* Eileen Kern presented a report on the activities of PSLA to the Governor’s Advisory Council at the Open Forum Meeting of the Council on September 28, 2014.
* Michael participated in a panel presentation for the PaLA Conference on September 29, 2014.
* PSLA was recognized by the PA Forward Initiative at their reception for sponsors on September 30, 2014.
* Michael is writing an article for each bimonthly issues of the PA PTA newsletter.

AASL Report:

* AASL has developed several resources that can be used to share the importance of school libraries. Find the “School Libraries Transform Learning” supplement at [www.ala.org/aasl/transforming](http://www.ala.org/aasl/transforming) and the School Libraries Make a Difference resources at [www.ilovelibraries.org/school-libraries-make-difference](http://www.ilovelibraries.org/school-libraries-make-difference).

Old Business:

* Unified Ask: Board reviewed the complete unified ask policy for the 2015 Conference developed by SOTactics.
* Conference Registration: Board approved the Conference Registrar, Exhibitors chair, and PSLA Store manager to register for the Conference at the retired member rate.
* Executive Director Position: Board discussed possible candidates for the Executive Director of the Conference position.
* Emerging Leaders Academy: Board discussed the possibility of continuing the Emerging Leaders Academy; this year’s Academy has received positive feedback.
* Strategic Communication: Quantum Communications has established a list of contacts who will receive PSLA’s strategic communications newsletter.
* Model Curriculum: Model Curriculum is finished and posted on the PSLA Website. The PSLA Board extends thanks to members of the Modern Curriculum group for all the hard work.
* Mission Statement: Board approved a new PSLA mission statement to be “Pennsylvania School Librarians Association generates conversations and connections to transform teaching and learning.”

New Business:

* 2015 Slate of Nominations: Board approved the 2015 slate of nominees for the PSLA Board.

The slate is:

 Vice President: Jennifer Bates

 Board of Directors: Robin Burns, Kristie Hart, Heather Lister, and Patricia McNeill

* Professional Development Survey: Board approved the PSLA Professional Development Survey pending review and suggestions from the Curriculum and Technology Committees.
* Teacher Effectiveness: Board plans to develop a webinar that will help librarians develop school library SLO’s.
* Policy Updates: Board approved updates to the Administrative Assistants Policy, the Financial Policy, and the Resolutions Policy.
* Buffer Application: Board approved the purchase of the Buffer Application for PSLA.

Board E-mail Votes:

* Emerging Leaders Academy/Blended Schools Network: Board approved an agreement between PSLA and the Blended Schools Learning Network to sponsor resources for use in the Emerging Leaders Academy.