



Minutes

Board of Directors Monthly Meeting

February 12, 2025 – Virtual Meeting via Chapter Zoom

- I. **Call to Order / Welcome:** Sue Stratton welcomed everyone to the meeting at 12:03
- II. **Approval of the Minutes & Agenda:** Javier Morelos made a motion to approve the 01/8/25 Board Meeting minutes and Ryan Hil seconded. All were in favor, and none opposed and the motion to approve the 1/8/25 board meeting minutes carried. Amie Morelli made a motion to approve the 2/12/25 board meeting agenda and Traci Staggs seconded the motion. All were in favor, and none opposed and the motion to approve the 2/12/25 meeting agenda carried.
- III. **Elections:** Sue Stratton reported that 56 members voted to elect the new Executive Committee which surpassed the 20% of membership voting requirement. Congratulations to Our new EC:

Javier Morelos: President

Ryan Hill: Vice President

Brian Nervis: Treasurer

Vice- Treasurer- May Arfanan

Secretary: Shannon Oliver

DIR: Katrina Combs

Immediate Past President : Sue Stratton
- IV. **Essentials of Chapter Leadership:** Sue Stratton asked members to check for an email from ALA National regarding registration for CLI. Members can register directly with the code provided. Sue recommended that members attend if possible.
- V. **BP benefits package and pricing :** Javier Morelos advised that the BP package pricing will increase by 10%. No members voiced opposition to the increase. The BP committee will meet to discuss a Managing Partner event and issuing, “loyalty ribbons” to recognize returning Business Partners. The tables for the BP Expo are sold out and Sue Stratton asked for members to sign up, attend and Bring A Friend.



- VI. **Crossover Meeting:** Javier Morelos reported that the 2025-2026 Board Crossover Meeting will take place virtually on 3/11/25.
- VII. **Board Retreat:** Javier Morelos reported that the 2025-2026 Board retreat will take place at Hersch Family Law on 2/28/25 moderated by Shirely Laboy. This will be an in-person event with no hybrid option.
- VIII. **Budget/Actuals Review:** Ryan Hill asked members to submit expense reimbursement requests as soon as possible. The CD maturing 2/9/25 will be renewed at the current Interest Rate – Annual Percentage Yield – 3.82% / Interest Rate – 3.75%. The interest income earned is reflected in the P&L. These funds cover bank fees.
- IX. **Website/logo update:** Ryan Hill shared the new logo which reflected the ALA National changes and 4 different color schemes. Kim McDade commended Ryan Hill on completing the logo redesign, recognizing that it is an arduous task that can take a long time. Ryan hopes to debut the new logo at the Business Partner Expo. Ryan is now looking towards GG ALA website redesign.
- X. **Calendar Updates (Installation Lunch/Education Section Updates)** Javier Morelos advised there will be an HR session 3/4/25 and Past Presidents’ luncheon 3/24/25. Sue Stratton asked for discussion regarding the best way to include committee reports for board meetings. Kim McDade stated that historically, board reports were to be submitted before meetings. Julie Burke will send out a calendar request for submitting reports for the 3/12/25 meeting. Kim McDade advised that membership early bird pricing expires at the end of this month. Javier Morelos will send an email Friday regarding the upcoming board members and vacancies and will contact Sarah Spry to include this information in the newsletter.
- XI. **March Board Meeting:** The final 2024-2025 board meeting will be IN PERSON March 12th, 2025 at BraunHagey & Borden with a hybrid option. Sue Stratton asked board members to register online for a headcount for lunch ordering.

Sue Stratton thanked everyone for their volunteerism and adjourned the meeting at 12:38

In attendance: 18

Executive Committee*

Board/Leadership

Sue Stratton



Ryan Hill
Julie Burke
Brian Nervis
Sarah Spry
Javier Morelos

Matthew Ogden
Ingrid Hester
Gabriela Takahashi
Traci Staggs*
Amie Morelli
Steve Morris*
Katrina Combs
Kit Fong
Aileen Connolly
Kim McDade
Shannon Oliver
Carollina Altamirano

*Denotes a voting member; the majority of the board's eleven moving members must be present to conduct business.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Burke
GGALA 2024-2025 Chapter Secretary