



**Board of Directors Meeting
Saturday, August 11, 2018, 10:00 a.m. (EDT)
West Lafayette Jr./Sr. High School**

Elected Officers

- President:** John Sundquist (Purdue University)
1st Vice President: Israel Herrera (Indiana University)
2nd Vice President: Interim Amanda Beck (William Henry Harrison High School)
Immediate Past President: Steve Ohlhaut (West Lafayette Jr./ Sr. High School)
Secretary: Interim Megan Worcester (Union County High School)
Treasurer: Ricky Baron (Consulate General of Canada, Chicago)

I. Call to Order

- In attendance: John Sundquist, Steve Ohlhaut, Israel Herrera, Amanda Beck, Ye Sun, Hiroko Chiba, Amanda Ramirez, Marcet Spahr, Jin Lu, Judith Carlstrand, Pamela Gemmer, Michelle Stigter, Megan Beckman, Lindsey VanGroningen, Mercedes Muniz-Peredo, Blandine Baldwin, Megan Worcester, Laura Halloway, and Jill Woerner (via Skype)
- Meeting called to order at 10:00.

II. Secretary's Report: Megan Worcester

- John Sundquist reported that when Amy Bomke, 2nd Vice President, left the state at the end of the school year, she left an open spot on the board. Therefore, the Executive Board took recommendations for that position and Amanda Beck was elected as the interim 2nd Vice President. This meant that there was a position available for the Secretary. Again, the board took recommendations and voted to elect Megan Worcester as the Interim Secretary. According to the bylaws, both of these positions are listed officially as "Interim" until the rest of the membership officially votes them into office in October/November.
- Megan Worcester presented the April minutes written by Amanda Beck. A few minor changes were pointed out and fixed. Steve Ohlhaut motioned to approve the minutes with the changes reported. Amanda Beck seconded. The motion passed.

III. Treasurer's Report: Ricky Baron, Approval of Report

- There is currently \$65,626.37 in the accounts with \$63,052.44 in the checking and \$2,573.93 in savings. Expenses to date have been \$5,440.34 and income has been \$4,793.90.
- There were a few questions as to what the "donations" were in the report, however without Ricky Baron at the meeting we didn't have an answer.
- John Sundquist reported that we did come out in the black after the last conference.

- Judith Carlstrand motioned to approve the report. Marcet Spahr seconded. Motion passed.

IV. IFLTA Conference 2018 Updates

A. Conference Overall

- Total we had 123 submissions this year. This is an increase of approximately 25% from last year. There were 13 workshop submissions, but some are going to have to be cut to sessions as we don't have rooms available in the schedule for so many workshops. We are also going to have to refuse around 35-40 submission applications, as we don't have time for this.
- Israel Herrera reported that we have confirmed the following guest speakers for the event: Dr. Stephen Krashen (Keynote Speaker); ACTFL TOYs: Linda Egnatz, Ken Steward, and Lisa Lilley; ACTFL TOY Finalists: Brenna Byrd, Laura Roche, Melissa Dalton, and Jill Woerner and CSC Finalist: Lee Bishop. Dr. Krashen will speak for approximately 45 minutes, with 30 minutes to walk through the Exhibit Hall. The workshops and sessions will then start at 10:15. Dr. Krashen will do a session later on Applied Comprehensible Input. The ACTFL President Elect Lisa Lilley might give session as well. Israel Herrera reported that he applied for grants to cover the costs of travel for most of these individuals. Other avenues were discussed which Israel Herrera is going to look into. There are possible panel sessions on Friday and Saturday for the TOYs and TOY finalists to be available for question and answer sessions.
- During Thursday's New Teacher's Workshop, the Global Seal of Biliteracy leader will be one of the presenters.
- There will be a Past President's event to honor the Past IFLTA Presidents that are in attendance during Friday's lunch. Israel Herrera will add their bios to the newsletter.
- Israel Herrera reported that the University of Evansville is going to host the Friday evening event with guest speaker Oscar Ozete.
- Israel Herrera reported that the session evaluations will now be online. Therefore, we will not have a need for presiders. His committee has also shortened the evaluation in order to streamline it and have less questions that appear to overlap or are very similar.
- Steve Ohlhaut reported that the Creative Projects contest for IFLTA would not continue this year. Kathy Darnell will bring it back in the near future but is working to improve the grading of the projects as well as some instructions for schools.
- John Sundquist and Israel Herrera reported that the Sheraton told us that they are no longer going to offer free parking at the Sheraton. To uphold the contract that we have with them, they will be giving vouchers to IFLTA attendees, however you must inform the front desk that you are attending IFLTA by October 3rd at 5pm.
- Registration has opened online and people are starting to register now.
- Israel Herrera will send out an e-mail with all of this information on it at a later date.

B. Exhibits

- John Sundquist reported on behalf of Greer Trapkus-Harris, who couldn't attend the meeting, but sent a report that we currently have 14 Exhibitors confirmed and 23 tables sold for the Exhibit Hall during the conference. This is very good as we've had more this year than last year. The problem is that we have the same dates as Wisconsin, so we have to be quick on exhibitors in order to book them before Wisconsin does.

C. Poster Contest

- John Sundquist reported on behalf of Concha Marin, who couldn't attend the meeting, but sent a report on this year's theme: "Oh, the places you'll go with languages!" He reminded everyone that we need to make sure that students don't use copy written materials (such as Dr. Seuss). The deadline for submissions is October 5th.

D. Teacher of the Year Awards

- Mercedes Muniz-Peredo met with the Vice Presidents of several of the Constituent Organizations in order to choose this year's Teachers of the Year. No report was given at this time.

V. ACTFL and Central States Report

- Jill Woerner reported, via Skype, that Marty Abbot will be leaving the ACTFL Board as the Executive Director. She expressed that Marty Abbot was not leaving due to any concerns over her ability to continue, but that she had served for several years and it was time to step down. They will be looking for another Executive Director soon.
- This year's ACTFL Conference will be November 15th-18th in New Orleans.
- She reported that they have finished updating the Core Practices and they are available online. They are working on creating a K-12 World Recognition Process, which some states have used to show what good World Language Programs should look like.
- If interested in helping with ACTFL outreach, research, etc. please see the volunteer portal on their website.
- Central States is also changing their Executive Director. Anne Narenz is stepping up at the end of this year.
- The next Central States is March 14th-16th in Columbus, Ohio.
- There will be a leadership workshop, where states nominate leaders to join the Leadership Initiative for Language Learning, with Kathy Darnell. The different states will participate in LILL to come up with projects to present. Then CSC will choose 1-2 to send to LILL this year.
- The conference workshop/extension workshop will be a training on giving workshops with Paul Sandrock. They will accept nominations from the states for representatives to this workshop, but it will also be open to everyone.
- Jill will draft an e-mail with more details on these projects to send to everyone.

VI. Social Media Editor's Report

- Nothing reported

VII. Webpage Manager's Report

- Nothing reported

VIII. Constituent Organization Reports

- A. AATF--Marcet Spahr

- Mercet Spahr reported that they had their Immersion lunch a couple of weeks ago.
- She also reported that they will have Todd Bowen as their workshop leader during IFLTA Conference.

B. AATF-NW IN--Jin Lu

- Jin Lu reported that they had their Immersion Day on August 8th. They also had their French National Day on July 14th. They continue to have monthly St. Jeun's activities.

C. AATG--Michelle Stigter

- Michelle Stigter reported that they voted to reconstruct their areas to include more area groups around the state. They therefore amended their constitution to reflect this.
- She reported that they are having lots of games being donated to teachers who attend their classroom workshop.
- They are having their Certificate of Dual Language presentations at Butler University on September 15th. They are having host families available to teachers that come from out of the area.
- The German Federal Government will be hosting a regional event in Indianapolis on October 5th-6th. They will host a German Career Fair for AP German students during the last week of February.
- Michelle Stigter also reported that the Hartland Film Festival is going to focus on World Languages this year.

D. AATSP--Judith Carlstrand

- Judith Carlstrand reported that they will have the Congreso in April. They are continuing to do their Concurso Académico Contest at Zionsville this year. They are having their Immersion Day at Park Tudor in September this year.
- She reported that Israel Herrera has been named the AATSP National Teacher of the Year.
- Israel Herrera reported that Pam Gemmer is running for the National AATSP Board. Voting will start later this year.

E. AITJ--Hiroko Chiba

- Hiroko Chiba reported that they are having their chapter leadership workshops on October 5th-7th.
- The Japanese Olympiad will be in February/March.

F. CLTA-IN--Ye Sun

- Ye Sun reported that the CLTA-IN Annual Teacher workshop will be on September 8th with the 2018 ACTFL TOY Ms. Ying Jin (Innovative Ideas to Foster the 21st Century Minds) and Master teacher trainer Ms. Haiyun Lu (Let's Movie Talk & Making Thinking Visible). The workshop is \$5 for pre-registration or \$20 onsite. Detailed information is posted on this web link <https://sites.google.com/view/clta-in/teachers-related/professional-development-information?authuser=0>

G. ICC-- Megan Beckman

- Megan Beckman reported that they have a spring meeting in the works. Nothing set in stone yet.

F. IN-NELL--Abby Diaz

- Pamela Gemmer and Jill Woerner reported that IN-NELL will have a workshop at Park Tudor on September 15h from 8:30-3:00. Cost will be \$40. JJ Epperson will be presenting on engaging students and will give everyone a copy of the book Brain Rules. Registration for the event is online.

IX. Other reports

A. Advocacy--Pam Gemmer

- Pam Gemmer reported on the Codes Act that they tried to attach to the Perkins Act. Thankfully this was not attached in the end, but it is a real threat to the World Language Community and we need to remain vigilant.
- She also reported that the Global Seal of Biliteracy is now being awarded to private schools that currently can't award the Certificate of Multilingual Proficiency.
- Pam Gemmer, Israel Herrera, and Megan Worcester will be attending a couple of meetings on Friday in Indianapolis. One with the education commissioner in the Governor's Office, and one with the person who will be rewriting the Indiana State Standards for World Languages in the DOE. They will attempt to address the fact that we have no representative in the DOE currently.

B. Newsletter Editor--Kailey Preston

- She is currently working on the fall newsletter.
- Deadline for submissions is September 10th.

X. Old Business

A. Transition to GSuite

- Amanda Beck reported that she and her husband will continue working on this transition along with Megan Worcester.

XI. New Business

A. Officer Nominations

- Pamela Gemmer made a motion to reelect Ricky Baron for treasurer. Amanda Beck seconded. Motion passed.
 - o It was pointed out that we will need to pay for part of JNCL NCLIS

- We will need nominations for the 2nd Vice President position by October in order to vote as soon as possible.

B. Exhibitors Chair in 2019 an in the future

- We've had one nomination by Kathy Darnell but we could use some others. If you know of anyone that would want this job please let us know.
- ACTFL reported that they want to be next to IFLTA in the Exhibitor's Hall.

C. Task force report – Judith Carlstrand

- John Sundquist reported that in an attempt to find a new location for the IFLTA Conference for 2020 and beyond, the task force investigated the possibilities of universities hosting the event. The following universities were approached without success: Purdue, IU Bloomington, IUPUI, and Ball State.

- Judith Carlstrand reported on the possibility of moving to the Marriott East. She reported that they are very eager to work with us and are going to offer us rooms and rates at a much lower cost than the Sheraton with more or less the same space available. Several members of the board expressed interest in contracting with the Marriott rather than the Sheraton for the 2020 Conference. John Sundquist and Steve Ohlhaut will visit the Marriott East this week and the Executive Board will make a motion via e-mail to draw up a contract.
 - o After this meeting the Executive Board voted to approve signing a 3-year contract with the Marriott East for the 2020-2022 IFLTA Conferences.
- D. Continued work with Meeting Connection
 - Steve Ohlhaut and John Sundquist reported that they have been in contact with Purdue University to use their conference services. They charge 13% of the Revenue to help with Registration/Website/etc. This is lower than our current Meeting Connection services. Pam Gemmer made a motion to change to Purdue's system. Judith Carlstrand seconded. Motion passed.
- E. "IFLTA Spring Conference: One day for the Advancement of Language Teaching in Indiana."
 - Israel Herrera reported that 3 high schools have offered to host this event in the Spring: Park Tudor, University High School, and Zionsville. This would be a great way to allow those session proposals that we have to reject to have another opportunity to give their session.
- F. Central States in Indianapolis in the future?
 - Israel Herrera expressed his support of putting in a bid to host the Central States Conference in 2021.
 - There was some concern as to whether they would accept our bid as the last one we hosted had low attendance. Central States attributed this low attendance to the fact that we still held IFLTA in the fall. The board discussed this but didn't see a reason not to have both events in the same year.
 - Constituent organizations usually help pay part of this event by protocol, but not required to do so if not able.
 - Israel Herrera will look into this possibility.
- G. Department of Education
 - John Sundquist reported on behalf of Nichole Leech, who could not attend, that Skiles Test of MSD Lawrence is kicking off their DLI/STEM school this fall. In addition, Bartholomew Consolidated as well as Leesburg Elementary of Warsaw are beginning implementation of new DLI schools. MSD of Washington Township, School City of Hammond and Lawrenceburg are all beginning their planning years. We now have DLI programs in 24 schools across Indiana. The IU Summer Dual Language Immersion Institute was wonderful. José Medina of CAL was able to come present for two days.
 - She also reported that we are now at around 374 recipients for the Certificate of Multilingual Proficiency from the 2017-2018 school year with 13 schools yet to turn in their data. Of the recipients, 24 are English Learners and 62 former English Learners. The languages represented to this point

are: Spanish, French, German, Japanese, Korean, Latin, Mandarin, Russian, Punjabi, and Cantonese. This award continues to grow. The form is currently online and has been sent to administrators through Dr. McCormick's weekly newsletter for schools wishing to implement for the 2018-2019 school year.

IX. Announcements

Upcoming Board meeting: November 1st, 2018 at 9:00pm at the Sheraton at Keystone at the Crossing.

With no other business brought to the board, Steve Ohlhaut made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Israel Herrera seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.