



**Board of Directors Meeting
Saturday, May 11, 2019, 10:00 a.m. (EDT)
Cathedral High School**

Elected Officers

- President:** Israel Herrera (Indiana University)
1st Vice President: Amanda Beck (William Henry Harrison High School)
2nd Vice President: Concha Marin (Park Tutor Upper School)
Immediate Past President: John Sundquist (Purdue University)
Secretary: Megan Worcester (Union County High School)
Treasurer: Ricky Baron (Consulate General of Canada, Chicago)

The IFLTA Board met at Cathedral High School at 10:00 on May 11th. A quorum was declared by President, Israel Herrera.

- I. **Call to Order**
 - a. **Welcomed New and Old Members** – In attendance: Israel Herrera, Amanda Beck, Concha Marin, Judith Carlstrand, Cornelia Langheinrich, Megan Worcester, Megan Beckman, Angelika Becker, John Streiff, Paul Coats, and Judith Carlstrand. Jill Woerner, Ricky Baron, Sibel Crum, and John Sundquist were in attendance via phone.
- II. **President's Report**
 - a. Israel Herrera reported that the Board had agreed via e-mail to continue with Meeting Connection for the next 2 years.
 - b. Israel Herrera reported that this will be our last year at the Sheraton at Keystone Crossing, and that after this year we will be moving to the Marriott East. We have a 3-year contract with the Marriott starting with the 2020 IFLTA Conference, which will be held on November 5-7, 2020.
 - c. Israel Herrera reported that now as GLAC is a constituent organization and IN-NELL has dissolved, we need to revise the bylaws of IFLTA. We will need to create a committee to do so.
 - d. He lastly reported that a committee needs to be created to continue on with the Strategic Planning of the Organization. Our last one was completed in 2009, so we will need to revise and create a new Strategic Plan for our Organization.
- III. **Secretary's Report**
 - a. Megan Worcester presented the minutes of the March Board Meeting. There were some amendments made to the spelling of names. Judith Carlstrand made

a motion to accept the minutes as amended. Amanda Beck seconded the motion. Motion passed.

IV. **Treasurer's Report**

- a. Ricky Baron reported that we currently have \$61,724.75 (with no current outstanding checks) in our accounts (\$59,150.22 in Checking and \$2,574.53 in savings).
- b. Ricky Baron reported that we had a total of 55 people attend the Spring Conference. He asks what we should do with the money from this event. The original idea was for an attendance grant for new attendees to the Fall Conference. The board tabled this discussion until later.
- c. Amanda Beck made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Concha Marin seconded. Motion passed.

V. **IFLTA Fall Conference 2019**

- a. Amanda Beck reported that we need to get people to start submitting proposals as very few have come through yet. She is figuring out the last of the scheduling issues. The may piece is the New Teachers Workshop
 - i. Cornelia Langheinrich made a motion to move the New Teacher workshop to Friday from 4-6:30pm at a fee of \$30. Concha Marin seconded. Motion passed.
 - ii. Cornelia Langheinrich also made a motion have a CI Workshop on Thursday from 7-9pm with a cost of \$25 for Early Bird Registration and \$30 late fee, hosted by Park Tudor. Concha Marin seconded. Motion carried. Amanda Beck and Concha Marin will work with the Keynote Speaker to see if she wants to participate in that event.
- b. Amanda Beck also reported that with these changes, it doesn't matter when/where we spend our time, space, or food, we just have to hit a minimum of hours and catering costs.
- c. The Keynote Speaker will be asked to talk for 30 mins thus leaving time for transitions and questions.
- d. Registration will be the same cost as last year.
- e. University recognition night. Honoring Randa Duvick. Ricky Baron is still trying to connect with Valparaiso to help cover the costs of this honor.

VI. **Mentoring Program**

- a. Angelika Becker reported on the need to set out a call for mentoring teachers to try to call them for the New Teachers workshop – mini-session time for the list of groups. There was some discussion on the fact that ACTFL does something very similar to this already, but most board members also wanted to have something more local to help reach teachers. Angelika Becker will be working on getting lists of new and veteran teachers interested in working with this partnership.

VII. **Nomination Process for IFLTA 2nd Vice-President**

- a. Ricky Baron, Amanda Ramirez, Judith Carlstrand, and Brian Gross will make up the committee to find the next 2nd VP. The Secretary and Treasurer positions do not need to be filled this year as they are on a different cycle. We ask the

Presidents of the different Constituent Organizations to send recommendations to the committee.

VIII. Central States Report

- a. Israel Herrera reported that a major topic of the Delegates Assembly was that high schools should engage students to encourage language teachers. He also reported that Pamela Gemmer won the Founder's Award posthumously.
- b. Megan Worcester reported on the Leadership Workshop. Amanda Ramirez told Israel Herrera that she would be willing to present on the Extension Workshop at IFLTA Fall Conference.
- c. Central States 2020 will be March 12-14 in Minneapolis, MN. Jill Woerner will be representing Indiana as the Best of State.

IX. Old Business

- a. Indiana Alliance for the Advancement of the Learning and Teaching of World Languages
 - i. Israel Herrera proposed the creation of this Alliance. There were many questions as to its role and responsibilities that were unable to be answered at this meeting. A committee was formed to work on the specifics on how this Alliance would work. Megan Worcester, Judith Carlstrand, and Paul Coats will make up this committee.
- b. Creation of New Standing Committees
 - i. Israel Herrera suggested the creation of the following New Committees:
 1. Profession Development of World Language Learning and Teaching Committee
 2. Outreach and Membership Committee – Angelika Becker – chair
 - a. With the creation of Regional Leaders under the umbrella of this Committee
 3. Pre-Service, Beginning, Exchange Teachers Committee
 4. Dual Language Immersion, International Bachelorette, and Heritage Teachers Committee
 5. Publication and Research Committee
 6. Less Commonly Taught Languages Committee – Sibel Crum – chair
 - ii. Some committees had chairs that volunteered, others will have to be assigned or volunteered for.
 - iii. Judith Carlstrand made a motion to accept the new committees. Concha Marin seconded. Motion passed.
- c. Israel Herrera would like to honor memorable IFLTA Members for their years of service: Keynote Address Lorraine Strasheim, Attendance grants Pamela Gemmer: Award Ceremony Alan Garfinkel. Amanda Beck made a motion to accept these honorees. Judith Carlstrand seconded. Motion passed.
- d. Creation of New Recognitions and Distinctions in World Languages:
 - i. We tabled these for a later date due to time constraints.

X. Constituent Organization Reports

- a. AATF
 - i. None

- b. AATF-NW IN
 - i. Immersion Day being celebrated today.
- c. AATG
 - i. Immersion Day has already happened. They had a spring conference this year. They are looking for regional meetings to meet people where they are.
- d. AATSP
 - i. They are looking at a regional day of PD. Immersion Day this September.
- e. AITJ
 - i. None
- f. CLTA-IN
 - i. None
- g. ICC
 - i. They had their conference at DePauw University. Their IFLTA 2019 workshop will focus on spoken Latin. They also are looking at regional workshops.
- h. Less Commonly Taught Languages
 - i. None
- i. GLAC
 - i. Webinar on Monday, open to everyone.
 - ii. Jill Woerner would like IFLTA to consider the following ideas:
 1. Put a tab on the IFLTA Website for GLAC information – motion passed.
 2. Since IN-NELL won't be promoting a Rising Star or a TOY, GLAC would like the opportunity to be able to nominate someone – motion passed
 3. Have sessions available to promote GLAC at the IFLTA Fall Conference – Motion passed

XI. Other Reports and Announcements

- a. Advocacy Committee
 - i. Megan Worcester reported she has put a call in to Matt Walsh at the IDOE to get information on the new PGP mandate, and will announce to people as she gets information.
- b. Website Manager
 - i. Carol Gross is updating the information on the Fall Conference
- c. Social Media Editor
 - i. Nothing to report
- d. Newsletter Editor
 - i. Kailey Preston will send out another newsletter before the Fall Conference.
- e. Exhibits
 - i. John Streiff is trying to work with the hotel and the vendors to see if we can do a Sponsor night with catering.
- f. Teacher of the Year

- i. Please send candidates by July 26th.
 - g. Poster Contest
 - i. Submission deadline October 4th. Concha Marin will be working on getting a more solid idea for the elementary teachers.
 - h. Grants
 - i. The grant was accepted and the recipient will be writing a paper showing what she did with the money.
 - i. Creative Contest
 - i. Kathy Darnell is working on cementing themes and guidelines.
 - j. Department of Education
 - i. Nicole Leach and Matt Walsh sent reports that the new World Language State Standards are out and will be on tour as part of the Summer Literacy Tour. New DLI program grants are available through the IDOE.
- XII. New Business**
 - a. IFLTA and IU Bicentennial Conference
 - i. Israel Herrera and Paul Coats reported that IU will be hosting a Bicentennial Conference and will offer special rates to IFLTA members at \$50 per person. The date of the event is yet to be determined.
 - b. ACTFL Proficiency Workshop
 - i. OPI Certification workshops will be presented in the near future. Dates are yet to be determined.
- XIII. Final comments**
 - a. None
- XIV. Next board meetings:**
 - a. Saturday August 10th – William Henry Harrison High School, West Lafayette
 - b. Thursday, October 31st – Sheraton Hotel at Keystone Crossing

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Megan Worcester
IFLTA Secretary