I. Call to Order
   Linda S. Harris
   Linda Harris, Gordon Baker, Beverly James, Camille McCutcheon, Melissa Dennis, Ashley Dees, Paula Webb, Margie Calhoun, Nancy Colyar, Tim Dodge, Crystal Gates, Peggy Kain, Sue Knoche, Michael Law, Kevin Shehan, Laura Slavin, Stephanie Adams, Kathy Wheeler, Rita Spisak, Faith Line, Bill McRee, Cindy Cline, Vicki Gregory, Muriel

II. Welcome and Introductions
    Linda Harris

III. Minutes - March Board Meeting
     Melissa Dennis
     The minutes were approved with minor corrections. CG/BM

IV. President’s Report
    Linda Harris
    School and Children’s Library Section, Camille elected (formally) as chair. Outstanding Library Award Committee chair is Bill McRee. Gordon has updated the Leadership Directory.

V. President-Elect Report
    Tim Dodge
    Updates on West Virginia conference, SELA breakfast fee of $40, and eager for updates on the conference planning committee setting a schedule and announcing programs.

VI. Administrative Services Report
    Gordon Baker
    Recruitment of members is a priority! Gordon shared membership updates. 233 currently, up slightly from March (231). Most members are in the category “Regular - $35k-$50K”

VII. Treasurer’s Report
     Beverly James
     We are 7 months into our budget year. Accounting financial review line item is something we have not had in several years so we are budgeting for an audit ($1,000.) but we will need to move it up to $1,200 to cover the accounting fees. Motion approved to overspend by $200 to cover the financial review. FL/BM. We also have a credit card now and will continue using UPS (not FEDEx). SELA admin covers shipping of the board and membership materials to state reps (one way)

VIII. 2017 WVLA/SELA Joint Conference
       Tim Dodge/Breana Bowen
IX. 2018 SCLA/SELA Joint Conference

Meeting at the Greenville Hilton for the conference this fall. Will send out more information as it comes in.

X. State Representative Reports

AL – Margie – had a SELA table at conference this spring.
ARK – Crystal – conference Sept. 24 – 26, Rogers, ARK. (Next two years will be here)
Financial complications within ARLA have made it difficult for ARK to get a SELA rep. Excited to be back in!
GA – Rita – Oct. 4-6 GLA conference in Columbus this year (and next year)
KY – Cindy – KYLA is not a member of SELA, looking into that. Conference in Louisville.
LA – Linda reporting for Hailey and Sarah – (written)
MS – Ashley – MLA conference will be Oct. 18 – 20 in Hattiesburg near University of Southern Miss.
NC – no report
SC – Faith – Conference at the Marriott this year in Columbia
TN – Sue – April 4-6 in Memphis at the Hilton. SELA members get TN rates. Theme is “All In.” Conference committee still working on 2020 joint conference with SELA. Still a good possibility, but nothing is concrete. SELA started 100 years ago in Lookout Mountain, so hoping the conference could be in Chattanooga. Still optimistic this could happen, but TLA is currently still trying to secure a location for 2019, so the 2020 conference is not finalized. Nashville Public won an award.
VA – no report
WVA – no report

XI. Committee Reports

Awards – Vicki – Beard Award will be chaired by Melinda Matthews.
Frankenthaller update: Laura Slavin will update website to indicate the award will be given on even years now to coincide with the awards ceremony in even years. (New job in Huntsville = email change!)
Southern Books Competition – Martha taking the lead on that. All awards are now in the even numbered years.
Budget – Beverly – will work on the new budget at the end of the year
Constitution & Handbook – Michael Law – working on updating the constitution and handbook, it is now only one page longer than the U.S. constitution. Will send the file to the Exec. Board to review.
Intellectual Freedom – Tim and Dusty co-chairing – (Tim prepared a written report)
Legislative – Judith emailed a written report
XII. **Section Reports**
Gordon will send a new list of members to all section heads.
Technical Services & Resources – Stephanie – looking to see if there is interest within the group for a PRIMO training webinar
Public Libraries – Kayla submitted electronically – in the process of confirming a Secretary position for the group that can work up to Vice Chair and then Chair. Submitted a conference proposal to West Virginia.
School & Children’s Librarian Section – Camille – Submitted a session for West Virginia. Waiting on response.

XIII. **Round Table Reports**
New Members Round Table – Ashley – Elected a vice chair (N. Carolina rep). Will be working with membership/mentoring committee for a conference program.

**OLD BUSINESS**

I. **Southern Books Competition Collection**  
Camille McCutcheon/G. Baker
We have a collection of books (1950 – 2001 but not complete set and office files from 1950 – 1970s) at the University of Kentucky that we want to move to be housed with our SELA archives at Valdosta State. Camille will contact Loreen (former chair of Southern Books Competition) and Deborah (at Valdosta) to confirm that Kentucky can send materials. Cindy and Gordon coordinating this move and Gordon investigating with Lexington Public, Kathleen, for books missing from the Kentucky collection. Gordon letting Deborah at Valdosta know. Can mail via SELA UPS account or may be cheaper to carry by van. (Bev asking for budget purposes) Cindy exploring options for moving costs, Gordon confirming space at Valdosta. **Motion approved to relocate Southern Books Competition books and materials to Valdosta State. CM/MC**

**NEW BUSINESS**

I. **Membership and Mentoring Committee Request**  
Paula Webb/Sue Knoche
Paula Webb/Sue Knoche – Planning a meet and greet for members with the NMRT group again this year. At Georgia we had 23 attend this type of dinner at the Mellow Mushroom. Gretchen (West Virginia) mentioned we could use a room at the Greenbriar and have pizza delivered. Linda recommended making this event a joint event with the President’s reception and use some funding allocated for the joint conference (up to $300). This will be a standard reception. Discussion on whether or not the Greenbriar will allow outside food/drinks to be brought in. Without knowing the schedule yet, we will table this discussion and continue discussion over email. Tim will find out more about the schedule and confirm whether food is allowed.

II. **New Voices Award**  
Kevin Shehan
Kevin – University Library Section – wants to get more interest, since last year only the winner and family and Kevin attended the event. If the New Voices Award joined up, it could draw in a bigger crowd. EBSCOhost has provided a door prize in the past. Last year we had 3 papers submitted to the New Voices Award. In the past this has been a standalone program, with the paper, with a surprise honorarium for the winner. Making a joint event will hopefully draw more attention about the award. This winner receives an award and publication into the *Southeastern Librarian*. If we reach out to South Carolina (our next joint conference) we could see if this can combine. **Motion approved to include the new voices presentation with the honorarium with the SELA awards. KS/VG**

**Announcements**

No Announcements

**For the Good of the Order**

Reviewed the schedule for the rest of the summer conference

**Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 10:51 a.m.