Minnesota Academy of Reading

February 16, 2021 Minutes

2:30-3:30PM Zoom

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://minnstate.zoom.us/j/93269562603>

Meeting ID: 932 6956 2603

Passcode: MAR

MAR Mission:

*The purpose of this council shall be to (1) provide an opportunity for members to actively engage in the process of sharing and testing professional ideas; (2) engage in service functions of instruction, consultation, and evaluation.*

**Attendees:** Joan Sax-Bendix (WSU), Jonathan Roux (Martin Luther College) [rouxja@mlc-wels.edu](mailto:rouxja@mlc-wels.edu) , Lisa Krall (Bemidji State University), Deb Peterson (Univ of Minnesota- CARI), Wendy Richards (NWU-SP), Kate Kelly (St. Catherine’s), Sonia OBryan (BSU), Katrina O’Connell (BSU)

Reports:

Secretary: Emailed immediately after the meeting.

Treasurer: 3772.74 (Funds for membership is $10 per person, distributed once a year)

Business**:**

1. **Welcome**

Everyone shared name, location and general items. Sonia send title and website to order the book. *soniaobryan.com*

Katrina- summer based-curriculum for literacy enrichment, preparing for summer number 4.

1. **January Symposium Recap**

Survey-

Interested in Joining:

* Kay Rosheim
* Jonathan Roux

Topics: Ideas for the future symposiums and planning

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| Information on social emotional learning and supporting struggling readers who may have fallen behind during these years of covid/survival moving from distance education to face to face and back again |  |
| Active participation for literacy learning via technology (zoom, Google Meet, etc.) when students and teachers are learning/instructing remotely - could be elementary, middle, upper, secondary and even post-secondary ideas. |  |
| I AM A READING INTERVENTION TEACHER AT SOUTH ST. PAUL AND FEEL SO VERY FORTUNATE TO BE INVITED TO SHARE IN THESE TALKS AND SUMMER READING CLUBS. I CANNOT GET ENOUGH OF INFORMATION ON DYSLEXIA! |  |

2022-2023:

What is there about pendulum swinging? Assisting struggling readers using high quality literature, critical thinking, and critical literacy.

“Science of reading” is empirical research from many specialists. Note either/or it is a yes/and- narrative for next year.

Intersection of legislation and the classroom with all required components.

1. **HELP Updates**

Next Webinar- May 11th with Lyn Stone 4-5 pm. Invitation from IDA- Upper Midwest Branch: <https://helpliteracymn.org/>

2022 Summer book club- Fluency with Jan Hasbrouck with fall webinar

2023- work of Lorie Helman with Fall webinar

Where does the funding come from? Initial funds from the June Stern Family Foundation. Other organizations contribute money, IDA, Upper Midwest branch, Decoding Dyslexia, Serve MN, MDE, PELSB, MAR, MRA

Discounts from publishers and free access online materials. Attempting to bring a plethora of professionals to have a conversation and speak together.

1. **MRA Updates**

Leadership meeting will be Sat March 12 in morning. Face to face with digital component, sponsoring Celebrate Literacy- Student Writing samples- power in the personal story, any genre, any writing activity- due end of March on MRA.wildapricot.org

Kate will send a message to Kathy for the donation and include Lisa on the email.

1. **LiRN *Cultivating Genius***

* March 28, 2022

Leaders in Reading Network- MRA, MAR, MDE, Minnesota Center for Reading Research collaboration.

Ideas for next year- Alfred Tatum & Cornelius Minor- Reading and Writing with black boys

Register for LiRN through MRA- anyone can be part of the planning committees.

1. **Spring Mixer**- April 9th Zoom 10-11:30AM
   * Lisa Hunninghake agreed to participate- share children’s literature

* Joan share her research on dyslexia

Lisa Krall will be doing a “Save the Date” via the website. Open registration and send the link zoom and email blast.

Book drawing- 2 names and provided a list and selected a book – Kate will organize the email follow-up. Wendy will get the list of books and draw the name. Use Wild Rumpus bookstore.

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Lisa Krall will make a google folder for all Spring Mixer documents.

1. **2022 MAR Elections: (winter)-** Lisa will create a ballot for voting and send through MRA website.

* President- Joan Sax-Bendix- a co-President would be help
* Secretary- open, Kate could take notes, new to organization
* Treasurer- Kate Kelly
* Membership- open, Joan will share

Give another month to come up with more nominations. Joan will send invites to attendees of MACTE Reading Policy role-alikes and colleagues.

1. **Next Meeting**- Wednesday, March 16th @ 2:30-3:30
2. **Honor Council Application**- (work July 2021-June 2022)

* Long Range Plan-
* Image Brochure-
* Website/social networking-
* Supporting Future/New Educator- 1-yr membership to Northwestern students- graduate or undergraduate. Wendy will choose and get the name to Kate.
* Advocacy- HELP
* Young Authors-co-sponsor $200
* Community Service- (book donation)- Pencils & erasers- March 8th Send to Wendy Richards, donations from WSU SILA chapter as well.

Address: Wendy Richards 515 Lexington Pkwy S Apt 406 St Paul 55116

* Chapter Members-
* MRA Letter of Recommendation-
* Support State Goals Summary-
* Support ILA Mission-
* Help Global Fund- Kate will send a check.
* Worldwide Literacy- Wendy (Jamaica)- March 2022 collection

Adjourned @ 3:31 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Sax-Bendix