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### **NJLA Executive Board Meeting**

February 20, 2024, 10:00 a.m. We will take a 5-minute break at about 11:00 a.m.

[Liaison Assignments](#), [Liaison Reporting Form](#), and [February 2024 Meeting Packet](#)

Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81382027659?pwd=RkpORDFhbIFSNHBUNU5jSzIHLzhjZz09>

Meeting ID: 813 8202 7659 | Passcode: 908648

1. Call to Order: Carina Gonzalez, President 10:04 am
2. Adoption of Agenda: Carina Gonzalez, President - unanimously adopted
3. Welcome and Introductions
  - a. Rosy Wagner, Carina Gonzalez, Darby Malvey, Katy White, Brett Bonfield, Will Porter, Laverne Mann, John Wallace, Cara Berg, Jen Nelson, Lynette Fucci, Leah Wagner, Ali Cole, Kate Jagers, Gary Marks, Adriana Mamay, Joy Robinson, Ally Blumenfeld, Joyce Valenza, Heather Kristian, Jessica Trujillo, Alicia Gough, Jeff Cupo, Emily Witkowski, Keisha Miller
4. Adoption of [Meeting Minutes](#) - unanimously adopted
5. Partner Organizations Reports
  - a. [NJSL](#): Jen Nelson
  - b. LibraryLinkNJ: Darby Malvey for Ralph Bingham
  - c. [NJASL](#): Darby Malvey
  - d. [Rutgers University](#): Joyce Valenza
  - e. NJLTA: Alison Bryant *not present, no report*
  - f. [VALE](#): Ali Cole
  - g. [NJALA](#): Heather Kristian
6. [Financial Reports](#), Brett Bonfield
  - a. [Finance Committee](#), Leah Wagner
    - i. Proposed recommendation: \$15k move to this year's budget to allow store to replenish their stock with intention that the 2025 NJLA conference will be final current iteration of store
      1. 11 votes for (Laverne, Rosy, Carina, Laverne, Adriana, Lynette, Ally, Will, Joy, Jeff, Cara), 1 abstention (Emily), 0 votes against
    - ii. Proposed changes to finance committee policies and procedures
      1. 12 votes for (Laverne, Rosy, Carina, Laverne, Adriana, Lynette, Ally, Will, Joy, Jeff, Cara, Emily), 0 abstentions, 0 votes against
  - b. [Priorities for 2024-25 Budget](#), Brett Bonfield
7. Reports
  - a. [Carina Gonzalez](#), President
  - b. [Liaison Reports](#), President

- c. [Brett Bonfield](#), Executive Director
  - d. [Laverne Mann](#), ALA Councilor
  - e. Jennie Pu, Public Policy (Brett spoke on her behalf during Freedom to Read update in his report)
  - f. Kate Jagers, Nominations and Elections
    - i. Recently stepped up to chair role
    - ii. Not going to fill open MAL seat
    - iii. Slate of elections presented for approval (3 three-year MAL terms [3 highest voted candidates], Secretary, Vice President [4th highest voted candidates], President)
      - 1. 12 votes for (Laverne, Rosy, Carina, Laverne, Adriana, Lynette, Ally, Will, Joy, Jeff, Cara, Keisha), 0 abstentions, 0 votes against
8. Old Business
- a. Strategic Planning, Brett Bonfield
    - i. In-person meeting next Tuesday 2/27
  - b. Mini-Grants, Brett Bonfield
    - i. Thank you to Will and John for your work!
9. New Business
- a. NJLA statement supporting Freedom to Read
    - i. Cara suggests removing the word “neutrality”
    - ii. John motions to approve updated draft, Lynette seconds
      - 1. 13 votes for (Laverne, Rosy, Carina, Laverne, Adriana, Lynette, Ally, Will, Joy, Jeff, Cara, Keisha, Emily), 0 abstentions, 0 votes against
10. Good of the Order
11. Next Meetings
- a. February 27, 2024 (Strategic Planning), 10:00 a.m., Piscataway Public Library
  - b. March 19, 2024, 10:00 a.m., Zoom
12. Adjourn
- a. Joy Moves, Lyentte seconded

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