



## Michigan Community Board Meeting

**12PM Thursday, April 23, 2020**

Join Zoom Meeting : <https://msu.zoom.us/j/96791601111> ; Password: slami

**Meeting called to order: 12:06pm**

**Attendees:** Eric Tans (President); Alexandra Hauser (Program Chair and President Elect); Edward Dunne (Treasurer); Sheila J. Bryant (Past President); Anne Herron (Director); Caryn Noel (Secretary). Committee members: Elizabeth Downie; Joel Scheuher; Mary Catherine Moeller; Laura Walesby; Danguole Kviklys

**Meeting Secretary:** Danguole Kviklys substituting for Caryn Noel

### AGENDA

- **Check-In** (Eric Tans)
  - Eric asked how the board and committee members were faring during the Coronavirus and working from home and fortunately everyone seemed well. Some of the common concerns raised in the conversation were figuring out how to work in a home environment and balance work and family responsibilities, how to live in isolation, dealing with uncertainty, staying positive and motivated, and looking for ways to reach out
- **Ideas for actions to support our members** (Eric Tans)
  - SLA hosts an Idea Exchange via Zoom between various communities to discuss how various communities are keeping up engagement and working during the Coronavirus.
  - SLA-Michigan will host with its members an informal Zoom hangout meeting at noon on Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup>. Eric is still soliciting ideas for conversation starters. He understands that everyone is getting saturated with online meetings and will see if there is an interest in such events.
  - Discuss that some members might have lost jobs. Keep an eye at your organization to see if there are any part-time job or volunteer opportunities so that members can continue to be engaged
- **Treasurer's Report** (Edward Dunne)
  - As requested by SLA Headquarters, Ed is trying to close the accounts and transfer the Michigan Chapter funds from its bank to headquarters. Ed completed SLA's given forms, went to the bank and completed the transaction. For an unknown reason, the receiving bank rejected this transaction and the money was returned to Michigan's accounts.

- Laura Walesby said she would connect Ed to the right people at SLA Headquarters who could correct this transaction process.
- Eric and all members thanked Ed for all the work that he has done as Treasurer in the past two years and for continuing to stay on the Board to close the accounts.
- **2020 Program Committee Report** (Alex Hauser)
  - **Survey.** The survey was not disseminated because of the Coronavirus and current Survey Monkey issues. Since there will be no onsite meetings in the forthcoming months, the questions will have to be modified and targeted toward online programming.
  - **Community Zoom Check-In, April 24**
  - **Midwest Regional Symposium status.** This will be a virtual event driven by the Illinois chapter. The date and agenda is still being formulated.
- **Other business**
  - **Michigan Area Business Librarian (MABL) meeting.** Danguole noted that this meeting works best as an onsite event. She suggested that with the current uncertainty over the Coronavirus and funding, the meeting be postponed until 2021.
  - **Library school outreach.** Anne Heron mentioned to Laura Walesby that she had some ideas and connections for reaching out to library schools
- Motion to adjourn: Ed Dunne and Anne Herron
- **Meeting adjourned:** 1pm ET