

HLAA-CA BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Electronic Meeting via Zoom; 1:30 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.
June 10, 2020

CTO: 1:30 pm

In attendance: Katie Wright, Gail Morrison, Toni Barrient,
Nanci Linke-Ellis, Lynne Kinsey, Liz Lesan, Heather Lehr, Meg Wallhagen, Bob Zastrow
Guests: Ann Thomas, Ellen Mathis

Advocacy Committee Report:

Meg – had lots of ideas; trying to see which ones we could focus on. Projects:
captioning on TVs, statewide bill on tele-coils, installing speech transfer systems
(enhanced listening system through acrylic shields), Closed captioning ordinances
in public spaces

ACTION ITEM: Toni will send info on speech transfer system. Hoping that the
chapter outreach meetings will help to get this advocacy going. Not much the
Board can do on its own.

Progress on AB598 and AB5 – Nanci and Katie have been supporting the groups
advocating for those two bills.

Website Committee Report

Heather – Moved: approve a budget item for up to \$5000 to re-design the
website. Liz: Second. Vote. 8-0 in favor
Discussion: Probably only \$3600 but want a pad; Tim Browning could do this; 60-
hours time frame at \$60/hour; train Heather on the things she can do; he
understands our needs; needs to be easy to modify/user friendly;
ACTION ITEM: Heather will contact Tim

Newsletter:

Liz: once the new website is up, no pdf newsletter. Resources page info needs to
be on website; Liz and someone needs to go through all the resource info check
for accuracy, update and cull. Move Liz to Website Committee because the
newsletter and website will be working closely together.
Suggest that every Chapter have a “info@ ----” email address rather than using a
personal email contact. Especially for publishing online. Toni, Bob and Katie will
have that conversation with the Chapter leaders.

Outreach (Chapter Leaders):

Toni: had first meeting; recorded; most wanted help with video conferencing.
Working on getting GSuite set up and trying to offer the Chapters Zoom for
\$74/year through HLAA-CA and TechSoup. Meetings will continue weekly.

Bylaws

Proposed changes:

MEETINGS

Section 6.13 Meetings of the Board

c. Board biannual meetings shall be held in February, plus or minus four months, and August, plus or minus four months, of each year. Both meetings, ~~unless held electronically~~, shall be open to the general membership

OFFICERS

Section 6.15 Number of Officers

No member shall serve more than three (3) consecutive terms, nor more than two (2) consecutive terms as the committee chair, ~~unless approved by the Board by a 2/3 majority~~,

Section 6.22 Elections

- a. Trustees – a ballot, listing the nominated slate, shall be provided ~~through a state newsletter~~ ~~by e-mail~~ to all HLAA members in good standing in California

ACTION ITEM: Need to check CA law on the actual balloting and voting requirements. Katie will check

Will vote on these changes at the next meeting of the Board.

BUDGET ITEMS:

MOTION: Liz - approve CART for two additional chapter leader meetings on for the next Board Meeting and then re-visit expenses at that time. Second: Meg.

Carried 8-0.

Adjourned: 3:15 pm

Submitted by Katie Wright