# Quarterly ULA General Board Meeting | Meeting Minutes

**Date:** September 4, 2015  **Time:** 12:00pm-1:40pm  
**Location:** West Jordan Library—Park View Meeting Room  
**Facilitator:** Dustin Fife  **Scribe:** Trudy Jorgensen

*Voting Member*

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## Old Business

**Policies and Procedures (P&P)**
- P&P have not been updated since 2010
- Barbara Hopkins has done a lot of work on coordinating the updates to be made to the P&P
- All the changes that have been submitted have been combined into a .pdf document that Barbara will be sending out to all members of the General Board.
- Please review the full document and be ready to discuss at the December meeting.

## New Business

**New Board Appointees**
- John Spears nominated to replace Susan Hamada as member-at-large. He has already been working closely with ULA on the Failure Workshop
- **Vote—Approved**

**Conference Contract for Pia Jones**
- Contract with Pia Jones is over after 2016 conference.
- Pia has increased the professionalism of the conference. Prior to Pia it was all done with volunteer hours and there are many General Board members that do not wish to revert to that.
- **Vote to approve new contract—Approved.**

**Conference Location**
- 2015 was held in St. George
- 2016 will be held in Layton
2017—proposed that it be held in Salt Lake County, most likely at the Salt Palace of the Sandy Convention Center.  
Vote to approve 2017 location—Approved.  
2018—proposed that it be held in Provo at the Provo Convention Center.  
Vote to approve 2018 location—Approved.  
2019—Proposed that it be held in Layton. There was no motion to vote because this may be the year to collaborate a conference with MPLA. This would be the earliest opportunity for a possible collaboration with MPLA. We will wait to learn more before going ahead with this phase of the planning.  
2020—Tradition indicates that this would held in St. George.  

**Treasurer’s Report**  
presented by Javaid Lal  
No changes have been made to the presented budget since June. No committees or round tables submitted additional requests. Since there are no changes, there is no reason to vote at this time.  
Review of our financial statements show that our fund balance is withing parameters of our goal.  
Javaid has no concerns about our proposed budget versus the financial statements as they stand.  
Concerns were brought up that ILEAD should stay in the budget as a line item even though it is only contributed to every other year. This way it will not be forgotten in the years when it is needed.  
Dustin will create a proposal for the December meeting to provide funding to send someone to Washington DC for National Congressional Day on May 2-3, 2016.  
Donna Morris and John Spears will be going to National Congressional Day to represent other groups and they both stated that it would be good to have representation from ULA there.  
It was also noted that perhaps it should be the ULA president that represents us at National Congressional Day in Washington, DC.  

**Utah State Library (USL) Report**  
presented by Donna Morris  
First ever Public Library Directors Retreat will
Retreats like this have been done by UALC, this retreat will be testing the waters to see if this type of collaborative planning can work for public libraries as well.

USL will be filling a temporary position of Digitization Librarian to work with digitally born documents within state government.

Please see USL Document that was emailed for the rest of the USL report.

**ULA Website Migration**

- Anna Neatrour presented a preview of the new ULA Website.
- Until Website is complete and fully migrated the location is http://wp.ula.org/
- Migration was not as smooth as anticipated and we owe many thanks to Anna Neatrour and Barbara Hopkins for all of their hard work making this transition.
- It is designed to be more user friendly.
- All people that maintain page content for their committees or round tables should register with the new website and review the content. If you add content to the old website, please keep track of it so that you can alert Anna or Barbara and have the updates made to the new website as well.
- Anna will give people 2 weeks notice before the website goes live so that all updates can be made and everyone will be able to review their content.

**Expect More Collaboratory**

- Watched a video about a project being started by R. David Lankes.
- Dustin would like all General Board members to consider whether ULA should get in on the ground floor of this project.
- This will cost money, so return on investment is an important consideration.
- John Spears will investigate the project more fully and report at the December meeting.
- For more information see: http://expectmorelibrary.com/

**Upcoming Events**

- YSRT Fall Workshop is September 18th at Pleasant Valley in Ogden. 45 registered so
Focus will be on personalities, changing weaknesses into strengths, etc

- **Fall Conference**: is September 25-26 in Vernal. 20 registered so far. A great conference is planned including a tour of the family history museum, break out sessions and a park ranger coming to talk about the area.

- **In future planning it has been recommended that YSRT and CE Fall Conference coordinate their events so that they do not fall on consecutive weekends.** Hopefully that will enable better attendance for both because people will not have to choose between events.

- **Failure Conference** has a title “Strike Through” as well as a logo and it will be held at the Main branch of the Salt Lake City Public Library on February 18-19 with a possible add on of non-conference workshop on the 20th. It will be free to attend. There is maximum attendance of 300. Priority registration will open to ULA members for 2 weeks before opening up to the larger community. Maureen Sullivan will be 1 of 4 keynote speakers. It is planned to be an inter-disciplinary discussion on failure for librarians.

- **ILEAD USA: Utah** will have a reception at the Main branch of the Salt Lake City Public Library on October 26th from 6:30-8:30pm. There will be food and poster board presentations by this years ILEAD teams. Jami Carter is coordinating the reception. If you want to help, please contact her.

- **Mohammad Mirfkhrai** gave a sneak preview of his all day pre-conference proposal for a workshop that will be about supporting leaders to empower themselves, their colleagues and their employees. Managerial theory will also be discussed. Erin will work with him to get his proposal submitted for consideration.

Adjournment

Dustin Fife