

8-13-20 KLAS Users' Group Officers' Meeting Notes

Attendees:

- Jen Buzolich, California Department of Education, President
- Michael Lang, State Library of Kansas, Talking Books Service, Vice President
- Erin Pawlus, Arizona Talking Book Library, Secretary
- Chandra Thornton, Palm Beach County Library Talking Books, Immediate Past President
- Andrea Callicutt, Keystone Systems

NLS Vendors Call

The officers discussed who would now represent the group on the call, which occurs monthly for all NLS vendors. It was decided that Michael and Chandra will both attend.

KDAC Update

Keystone is currently in talks with the American Printing House for the Blind (APH) to explore the possibility of KLAS software connecting directly with APH software. The IRCs purchase instructional materials for schools to provide to students through the APH Federal Quota Program. This enhancement would benefit the IRCs by allowing them to submit purchase orders created in KLAS directly to APH, significantly speeding up processing and staff time.

Keystone is also working through some Scribe issues that are not impacting all customers. They are fixing some bugs in KLAS.

KLAS Admin training is going online in September, and currently 3 libraries are participating. This will give Keystone the opportunity to try out a virtual format for training. They have scheduled four afternoon sessions and will be covering 8 topics. A virtual IRC-specific admin training is being considered for the future.

Program Committee Update

The committee reviewed the results from the online programming survey. There were multiple requests for another Duplication on Demand session, which has been scheduled for December. There was also interest in reports and statistics, though Katy thought a blog post might be more practical than a live demo. She will explore options.

Attendance at the IRC roundtables have been slowly increasing with good participation and discussion. The most recent session had new attendees from three different states.

The 2021 Users Conference Planning Survey will be open from September 1 – 18. This year, there will be two surveys – for Talking Book Libraries and IRCs.

The committee discussed upcoming programs, including a virtual programming roundtable with a tentative date of September 17 and an IRC roundtable in October, date to be determined.

This will be Amy Ravenholt's last program committee meeting. She will be retiring on September 2. The group thanked Amy for her service to the committee and the Users Group at large and congratulated her on her retirement.

The next meeting is scheduled for 9/22/20 at 3:00 PM Eastern.

Logistics Committee Update

The next Logistics Committee meeting has been scheduled for 8/27/20 at 3:00 Eastern.

Keystone Updates

Klasusers.com has a new page for recordings so they can be located easier:
<https://klasusers.com/index.php/recordings>

They will be testing another option for webinars called Zoho Meeting. The officers scheduled a test and will offer feedback. Keystone is currently considering Zoho Meeting and Google Meet and will decide on a new platform soon.

August Missive

Chandra will be e-mailing the missive next week.

Next Meeting Date

Call scheduled for 9/10/20 at 2:30 PM Eastern.

Respectfully submitted by Erin Pawlus, secretary.