

Alabama Virtual Library

Meeting Minutes

March 19, 2025

10:30 a.m.

The March 19, 2025, scheduled meeting of the Alabama Virtual Library Council was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Council Chair, Susanne Estes.

Council Members in Attendance (Quorum established)

Susanne Estes, ALSDE	Kevin Pearcey, APLS
Alicia Johnson, ALSDE	Alex Perry, APLS
Michelle Wilson, ALSDE	Kerri Butler, ASA
Chantae Calhoun, ACCS	Bill Paine, ASA
Amy Henderson, APLS	

Guests in Attendance:

Rob Latham ASA; Matt Sponsler APLS

None

1. Call to Order: Council Chair Susanne Estes called the meeting to order and confirmed a quorum was established by conducting a roll call of attendance.

2. Welcome: Estes welcomed council members to the meeting.

3. Review & Approval of Meeting Minutes & Financial Report: Estes asked the Council to review the minutes of the Jan. 15, 2025, meeting, and the financial report. Motion was made by Alex Perry and seconded by Chantae Calhoun to accept the minutes and financial report as presented, all approved.

4. Unfinished Business: Estes reported a meeting was scheduled with Cynthia Wesley to discuss the AVL's OCR Compliance, but Wesley was subsequently RIFed and there have been no updates from the Federal Government with regards to OCR Compliance. Rob Latham reported that recommended changes to the site been implemented, with most of the changes necessary to assist visually impaired users of the site. He said he has not been able to present those changes to OCR at present.

5. New Business

A. Bylaws: Estes discussed revision to the AVL Bylaws and asked for a motion for the Bylaws Committee to discuss the proposed changes provided to the AVL Council and present their recommendation at the May meeting. Motion was made by Michelle Wilson, seconded by Perry, and all approved.

B. AVL Usage Statistics: Bill Paine reported the usage statistics for the ending of February, overall, would be incomplete due to lack of sufficient data.

C. Archival of Budget/Treasurer Records: Estes reported on a meeting she had with a representative of the Alabama Department of Archives and History, and that AVL has not been following state protocol

regarding archiving existing records. She said it will take a minimum of one-year to bring the AVL up to date in that process, and she would like to establish a 'ad-hoc' committee to begin collecting those records for archive.

6. Committee Reports

Estes said AVL committees are incomplete and directed AVL Council Members to the Committee Sign-Up sheet and link created by Nominating Committee Chair Amy Henderson. Estes said she would like to have a chair of each committee by the May meeting. She also expected the budget to remain flat for the upcoming fiscal year.

7. Announcement/Reminders

Estes reminded Council Members of the next meeting scheduled for May 21, 2025.

9. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned (time?), motion made by Wilson, seconded by Perry.