



Open Library Foundation Board Meeting  
September 23, 2004 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. BST

Senate House, University of London  
Malet St, London WC1E 7HU, United Kingdom  
Room G5 / [Zoom link](#)

**Present:**

Tom Cramer (President), Nancy Kirkpatrick (Director), Donna Bacon (Director), Sam Brooks (Director), Thorsten Meyer (Director), Jesse Koennecke (Officer), Stephanie Buck (Officer), Christopher Spalding (Officer)

**Regrets:**

Agnese Galeffi (Director), Keven Liu (Director), Scott Anderson (Officer)

The meeting commenced at 10:30 AM BST

**Welcome:**

- Board President, Tom Cramer, opened the face to face meeting at University London, Senate House, acknowledging regrets, and confirming that a quorum had been met as per the Bylaws.

**Business:**

**1. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:**

- The [minutes](#) from the virtual Board meeting held on July 10, 2024, were unanimously approved and accepted into the record.

**2. Financial Report (report submitted before meeting by Scott Anderson, Treasurer):**

- 2023-2024 Fiscal Year
  - [July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024, Consolidated](#) Unaudited (OLF, FOLIO, VuFIND)
  - [July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024, OLF](#) Unaudited
- 2024-2025 Fiscal Year
  - [July 1, 2024 - August 31, 2024, Consolidated](#) Unaudited (OLF, FOLIO, VuFIND)

- [July 1, 2024 - August 31, 2024, OLF](#) Unaudited
- Reports were approved and submitted to record after reading and discussion.
  - No outstanding questions

### 3. Membership Updates:

- FOLIO
  - Continues to look for further involvement from those who have adopted FOLIO
  - OLF to suggest one pager for new customers of hosting companies to describe value of FOLIO membership and OLF membership
  - Suggestions from Board regarding an “advocacy fee” or “warranty fee”
  - Action Item: The Board moved to task the Executive Committee for ideas and bullets regarding membership or suggested fees to raise money for operations
- VUFind
  - Two releases this year
- GoKB
  - Continued community engagement
- LDP (incubation)
  - Working to move project from incubation to full project
  - Waiting for management structure for legal work to go forward
- Koha
  - Announcement to join OLF will happen during WOLFcon24 opener
  - Working through paperwork to create full project standing
- OpenRS
  - Reviewing openrs smlc
  - Open forum scheduled for sept
- ReShare
  - Affiliating as a project
- Candidate Projects
  - BCC
    - Interested in joining as a full project; further discussions scheduled
  - Open Rules for Cataloging
    - Interested; further discussions scheduled

### Other Business:

- Terms and roles:
  - Director (re) elections [Board terms and roles](#)
    - Tom Cramer (June 2024) – would like to go again – renewed president
    - Agnese Galeffi (June 2024) – will need to connect and glean interest to renew term

- Nancy Kirkpatrick (June 2024) – would like to continue - renewed
- Annual Officer elections (yearly appointments - renewable)
  - Scott Anderson, Treasurer - renewed
  - Stephanie Buck, Senior Operations Officer - renewed
  - Jesse Koennecke, Senior Program Officer - renewed
  - Christopher Spalding, Secretary – renewed
- WOLFcon24, WOLFcon25, WOLFcon26:
  - Recap of planning process for 2024 was discussed with last minute considerations for official start of WOLFcon24 on Tuesday
  - Recommendations for 2025 planning with MOBIUS and University of Missouri, Kansas City
  - Updating [Sched](#) license to use new features
  - Discussion on future WOLFcon planning
    - Glean interest for hosting sites for 2026 and 2027
    - Rotation between Europe and North America remains
    - Discussion regarding satellite events to allow further community inclusion for events in LATAM, Asia, Oceania
- OLF Project strategy was discussed, some questions that drove the conversation:
  - Why have so many projects come forward recently to look at membership?
  - Does the OLF want to continue to grow the suite of projects? If so what type / how?
  - What should the Board do with the round table given the new members?
  - Continue to build a community of communities?
  - Are there additional services that can be offered to projects?
  - Do fees align with supporting the current mission?
  - Expansion of mission?
  - Should the OLF engage with other open source communities and foundations
    - Who and how?
    - If so, how should we change our charter and bylaws?
  - Action Item: Look to discuss strategy in future meetings; Exec Committee build out framework for discussion:
    - Future discussions should include:
      - Key themes that our projects are thinking about
        - Cybersecurity
        - Accessibility
        - Healthy ecosystem for software maintenance & innovation
      - Should the OLF look to support open data initiatives?
      - Should the OLF look to support open standards initiatives?
      - Should the OLF support open science initiatives in libraries?
  - Action Item: A request to audit our current assets and who has access

**Conclusion:**

- The meeting was adjourned at 3:05 PM BST

**Upcoming Board Meetings:**

- **Monday, January 13, 2025** - virtual - 9am to 11am EST
- **Monday, March 31, 2025** - virtual - 9am to 11am EST
- **Monday, June 16, 2025** - virtual - 9am to 11am EST
- **Monday, September 24, 2025** - TBD - 9am to 11am EST

**Submitted for consideration and recording by:**

Christopher Spalding, Secretary, Open Library Foundation