

MORE Directors Council meeting information

November 17, 2023

11. Elect MORE officers for 2024

The November 17 MORE Directors Council meeting will be the last of the calendar year. Per the [MORE bylaws](#), officers for Directors Council and Executive Committee for 2024 should be elected at this meeting. MORE Executive Committee has recommended a slate of nominees. Nominations are also taken from the floor.

MORE Executive Committee's recommended slate of nominees:

- **Chair:** Allison Lutz, Turtle Lake Public Library
- **Vice Chair:** Leann French, Dresser Public Library
- **Secretary:** Joleen Sterk, Menomonie Public Library
- **Director-at-large:** Karen Furo-Bonnstetter, Woodville Community Library

MORE Officers and their duties, as specified in Article VIII of the MORE Bylaws, are:

- **Chair:** The Chair shall establish the agenda for and preside at all meetings of the Directors Council; shall appoint all committees; shall authorize calls for special meetings; and shall generally perform the duties of a presiding officer.
- **Vice Chair:** The Vice-Chair shall perform all of the duties of the Chair in his or her absence.
- **Secretary:** The Secretary shall take roll at meetings and establish quorums for the Directors Council and Executive Committee Meetings. IFLS shall provide staff to record minutes for these meetings.
- **Director-at-Large** (MORE Executive Committee officer)

Here are the specific sections of the MORE bylaws about officers. All current Executive Committee officers except Chair Shelly Rae are eligible for another term in 2024:

Article VIII, Section 1:

The officers of the Directors Council shall be the Chair, the Vice-Chair and the Secretary, to be elected annually at the final meeting of the calendar year. There is a limit of three consecutive terms as an officer. After one year, any member may again be elected as an officer. Acting and interim directors are not eligible to be elected as officers. Officers will assume their duties at the end of the meeting at which the election was held. Should an office be vacated during the calendar year, a special election shall be held at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Directors Council to fill such vacancy.

Article IX, Section 2:

Executive Committee. The purpose of this committee is to conduct the regular business of MORE between meetings of the full Directors Council, to investigate and make recommendations regarding matters requiring the action of the full Directors Council, and to draft a preliminary budget. The Executive Committee members shall include the Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, Director of IFLS and one Directors Council Director-at-Large elected by the

Directors Council. The Director-at-Large position shall follow the same guidelines as officers regarding terms of office. The MORE Administrator shall be an ex officio non-voting member of the committee. This committee shall meet bi-monthly or as necessary.

12. Approve timeline for Hawkins Area Library to join MORE

LSTA grant funds have been awarded for Hawkins Area Library to join MORE. Per the [MORE bylaws](#): “The MORE Directors Council must approve the timetable and schedule of payments for adding each new MORE member before a Participation Agreement shall be issued.” (Article III, Section2)

Because the library’s MORE start-up payments will be fully grant-funded, MORE Directors Council only needs to approve a timetable for joining. In an agreement between the library director and IFLS staff, the planned “go live” date for Hawkins Area Library on MORE is July 1, 2024. MORE Directors Council should discuss and approve a timeline.