

NCLA-CSD EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

April 16th 2007

In Attendance: Janet Scheuring, Betty Charvat, Jennifer Firth, Jessikah Chautin, Linda Eagan, Helen Friedman, Renee Mc Grath, Joanne Van Meter, Karen Maletz, Anita La Spina, Geraldine Farmer-Morrison, Michelle Vacarelli, Bonnie Markel

Absent: Karen Anderson.

- I. **The meeting was called to order by Janet Scheuring at 9:35pm**
- II. **The minutes were read and corrected: Janet made a motion to approve the corrected minutes, Linda Eagan and Jennifer Firth seconded.**

III. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

RASD (Reference/adult division): May 30 is a roundtable discussion on keeping your reference collection current

YASD (YA services division): June 7 is their annual luncheon at Dave and Busters where they will discuss alternative library programs. April 26 they will have a program about Google Docs, Spreadsheets, Pagemaker, ect...They are working on the Best Award winner now.

Finance: Reminder that during the summer we need to submit our proposed budget for 2008. Maybe we should have it ready for May/June so that we can all review it before it is submitted?

LDA Award Winner: chosen and being kept secret. It is a Nassau County person, but nominated by a Suffolk County person.

Legislation: 5 million is in the state budget for libraries; but it is not permanent.

Membership: NCLA =786 and CSD is up from March's 107 to 121. Keep promoting our division! Addition: The idea of issuing welcome letters to new members was presented during the April 16th meeting.

NCLA Promotions: Investigate your local high school job fairs! Even bring literature about library schools to show classes and programs.

Newsletter: Should be out this week.

Programs: Ducks Game, August 25th at 7:05 pm. \$12 per ticket

Annual Dinner, January 9, 2008 at Pompeii

LILRC: 16th Annual conference coming up, see bright green card. Engaging Environment; Creating Tomorrow's Library Experience. October 11 and 12 at Dowling College.

BOCES: Check out Teachingbooks.net which provides resources about books...all in one place! Donna also mentioned that they are awarding a school librarian with an award. Would we consider sponsoring an award? For school/public library collaboration? Awarded to a public /school librarian combo for serving as a model? SCLA: Suffolk County YA services has a MySpace page.

As of May 12, stamp prices will go up two cents. Therefore, the bulk mail price will change accordingly.

Poet Laureate: Frank McKenna from Island Trees is on the committee; Queens and Suffolk already have the award in place; the position of PL is a two year term in which the poet will promote poetry in libraries...something to think about with poetry programs at our libraries. They should have a winner on May 9; there are 6 finalists.

- IV. **Treasurer's Report:** We had a balance of \$8000. Our opening balance for this past month was \$7,787.06 There were disbursements of \$ 39.00 for stamps for mailing and \$24.97 for supplies for mailing. As of April 9th we have \$ 7,723.09

V. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. **ARCHIVES:** According to the constitution the recording secretary of the division should be responsible for the Archives.
- B. **INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM:** According to an article in *School Library Journal* on January 1, 2007, many internet bloggers have been "Google Bombing" Martinlutherking.org, a hate site run by an infamous white supremacist and former "grand wizard" of the KKK.
On February 26th, 2007, a plane dropped seven thousand books by parachute for Canada's Indigenous "Cree" children. The books were intended for children grades K-10. Because the children suffer from "geographic isolation, poverty and low literacy," according to *School Library Journal*, March 5, 2007.
- C. **MEMBERSHIP:** The "Save the Date" flyer for LILRC has been sent out and received by librarians.
- D. **OUTREACH:** Nadine Jones of the "Sure Foundation" is very eager to have us come in! We are trying to nail down a date for our visit. The foundation is very security minded. Barbara Buckley is ordering books for the giveaway. We give two books per center, per visit. We visit once a month from September to June. Rockville Center has been covering them.
- E. **PERSONNEL:** No Report.
- F. **PROGRAMS:** Geri spoke to Scott Bierko regarding a show for us. Scott and Beth have done this type of program for teachers in the past and would like to do one for us. The program would give us tools for us to use in Story time. The date of December 3rd, however may be a problem for both of them to come due to a corporate account which they work for and has booked them regularly for this time in past years. If this is the case, one of them would be able to come for us. The price for both Scott and Beth Beirko is \$750 for both.
- G. **PUBLIC RELATIONS:** No Report.
- H. **MEDIA:** The deadline for the June newsletter is May 11th. We should have more information regarding Henry Schein in upcoming newsletters. Teresa McCarthy is going to be our contact person.
- I. **RIF:** Six out of the nine libraries have completed their third distribution. A volunteer is needed to help with the RIF program for September. The RIF guidelines are changing as of January. We can no longer distribute to 5th graders and participating libraries do not know this yet. We need to send them a letter informing them about this fact and asking if they still would want to participate. The letter should give the older participating libraries "first crack" at applying under the new guidelines.
All the paperwork must be in by January 31st 2008. The question remains if we should begin distributing to "Head Start" programs in the upcoming fall. We should concentrate on Head Starts we already have an active relationship with. Currently the new guidelines are calling to provide RIF services only to communities which meet specific financial needs.

- J. NLS: Ellison is coming on May 24th for two programs, one in the afternoon and one in the morning. June 4th is the monthly meeting. Renee is trying to put together a fall meeting about serving children with disabilities, particularly those falling within the autism spectrum.

VI. **OLD BUSINESS**

Preparations for LILC are underway. Debbie has informed us that we cannot get 2 tables for our division this year, however, they can give us a location in which we have extra room on both sides of our one table. Book Review will be selling our books on the vendor floor. They will have two tables, one will be for giveaway books the other will be for sales. We may try to get a third table to keep authors and books in one area for signing. We could try sending people to the Book Review table to purchase the books and they can pick them up signed at the CSD table. We could give them a slip which will indicate this. We may have to have people running books from Book Review to the CSD table.

Janet got a call from a person who was at LIGUI and SCBWI meetings. This person wants to come to LILC for one session and not pay the attendance fee.

Bonnie has completed the Dr. Seuss basket. We will be charging for raffle tickets, \$1 per ticket and six tickets for \$5. Other baskets featured will be a "Summer Reading" basket, which Michelle will provide, a "Harry Potter" basket which Geri will provide, and a "Banned Books" basket, which Jessikah will provide. We will have NCLA tickets on the table.

We may attempt to combine our "Bowling Social" with YA services. The event may be a fall bowling. We have no date for Scholastic yet.

VII. **NEW BUSINESS**

We have received Harry Potter kits which will reveal the seven biggest questions regarding Harry Potter. The questions will be released simultaneously with children's television channels such as Nickelodeon. Scholastic.com has more information on this.

We may want to do another "I'm New, What Do I Do?" program. We may want to combine this program with our bowling social, which may end up being held on a Saturday from 8pm to 10pm.

The Friedberg JCC for the South Shore has a very large grant to provide a parent resource network. Baldwin, Freeport and Oceanside are serving on the board as charter members for the fourteen South Shore Communities. They will identify all groups dealing with parenting, the local areas, Nassau County and eventually all of Long Island. They want to be an "In your face" information service. They will launch a paper campaign, a website, and they will be having a fair on April 29th. We will try to give them materials for a giveaway bag. We will also make a flyer. Jennifer Firth wanted to make sure everyone had a flyer with information for all Nassau County Libraries. We need to put websites for the libraries on an updated sheet.

Deirdre Goode from Great Neck is their new Head of Children's Services and Sue Ann Reale is the new Head of Children's services for Syosset Public Library.

There is still a part time position open in Hicksville Public Library.

VIII. **ADJOURNMENT** Janet made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:00pm. Renee seconded.