

NCLA-CSD EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
January 28, 2008

In Attendance: Geraldine Farmer-Morrison, Linda Eagan, Kerry Nugent, Betty Charvat, Helen Friedman, Bonnie Markel, Anita La Spina, Renee Mc Grath, Karen Maltez, Janet Scheuering, Jessikah Chautin

Absent: Jacqueline Mascia

I. Meeting was called to order at 9:35 am

II. Minutes were read and corrected, Linda accepted, Janet seconded.

III. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

January 11, 2008 NCLA board meeting

Report submitted by Geraldine Farmer-Morrison at January 28, 2008 CSD board meeting

President Carolyn Voegler should be emailed if not attending monthly meeting at:

fpdirector@nassaulibrary.org

Secretary Lee Fertitta should receive an email of the division report regardless if attending the monthly meeting. If not attending, it would be advantageous if the report was received before the meeting. Send the report to: fertitta@pwpl.org

Lisa Paulo, treasurer, will be scheduling a meeting with all the division treasurers.

February 26 is the tentative date for the annual round table for the media division.

RASD has a new banner.

Reminder to send materials to Stu Schaeffer at the Farmingdale Public Library for the archives.

The minutes from the previous year's meeting must be sent.

Written budget request will be due in June.

Intellectual Freedom Committee has an essay contest "How has the computer impacted your access to materials". There is a link on the NCLA website.

Discussion about Patriot Act - doing away with the gag rule has been tabled due to concerns by the telecommunications industry over liabilities.

OCLC October 2007 study (6,000 respondents from 14-84 from US, Canada, France, Japan and the UK as well as 382 library directors)

Academic librarians rate online privacy a higher concern than the general public.

Only 14% of library directors polled feel the library is an appropriate setting for social networking.

Legislation Committee does not have a head. March 11th is the date for the annual bus trip to Albany. The more people that turn out the better. It is good for trustees, friends and the public to attend. Last year, Art Friedman held meetings at libraries to get people knowledgeable about the issues and he is willing to do so again this year. Funding for construction remains in place.

There is a need for all libraries to get aid and there needs to be an expansion in funding for school libraries. NLS entire funding comes from the state. SCLA / NCLA will have a bus going the day before legislation day for those who do not want to do it all in one day.

Membership renewal forms are a bit late. Last year we had 995 members. Institutional members will receive 5 coupons for non-NCLA members attend events at the NCLA rate.

Requests for mailing labels must be received 2 weeks before they are needed NOT 2 weeks before the event.

NCLA promotions- sent letters out reminding schools to invite a librarian to career days at middle and high schools.

Deadlines for the 2008 newsletters will be forthcoming.

Next year there will be openings for 4 directors, treasurer, secretary, and vice-president/president-elect. The division presidents are strongly urged to attend the nomination meetings.

There is an opening Personnel Issues / Professional Concerns committee.

Annual dinner was very well received with 123 attendees. This figure is definitely up from previous years. It was voted to return to the Pompeii next year. The date will be changed to Thursday night. It was decided to rotate the night because of conflicts with various board meetings.

Statistics Committee will send questionnaires via email this year.

Ken Bellafiore resigned as head of Duck Game committee and the position will be taken over by Louis Decker (floater).

LILRC Report

Libraries for the Future will be October 23-24 with Will Manley as the featured speaker. The conference theme is next generation library users.

Key staff has been lost at LILRC. Its long time financial officer has retired. Dan Kenny from Stony Brook is the new President of the Board.

New Horizons fees did go up a bit.

Member Library Directors continue to discuss library consolidation.

NLS has a temporary lull regarding consolidation. A report was given to Suozzi on January 10th. 33 constructions grants were made and all were accepted by the state.

There will be new questions on this years annual report and there will be a meeting at NLS concerning this.

Nassau BOCES has no representative.

NYLA 25% membership of NYLA is from Long Island.

The annual conference is November 5th in Saratoga Springs.

SCLA

RSD renewals receive a flashlight.

October conference theme is "Joy of reading" with AVI as the featured speaker.

I. TREASURER'S REPORT

The opening balance is at \$8000.00

II. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. ARCHIVES: Everything from the past year is in to Stu at Farmingdale. Jackie Mascia, the new secretary has been briefed on her responsibility to the archives.

B. CONTINUING EDUCATION AND INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM: School Library Journal's website reports that according to a British study, children of recent years are generally computer savvy, but have poor research habits. They have trouble assessing the relevance of

materials in which they find. It was also mentioned that the SLJ website now includes access for children age nine and up to age appropriate articles on the first amendment. The website is www.kidspeakonline.com.

A new bill called: The Improving Headstart Act has been passed. The bill pushes for libraries and headstart facilities to be paired as it is thought that they provide a benefit to one another. Libraries who service their local Headstarts can be reimbursed for any materials used in the process.

C. **OUTREACH:** There has been a positive reaction towards the Gift books given with RIF as well as the giveaways.

D. **PERSONNEL CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS:** Geri believes there is a mistake in the constitution which was passed 2 years ago. She would like to take a look at the 12/05 copy of the constitution in which under Article 4 Section 1, and the By Laws, section 4 under committees which do not correspond. The discrepancy seems to exist within the number of executive board members.

E. **PROGRAMS:** For LILC we are in the terrace room at 2:25 PM. Robie Harris will be doing a program about, "Creating Children's Picture Books and Non Fiction Books for Young Readers". She will also discuss the deep concerns of children which she deems, "normal" and how we should not shy away from these questions.

Geri will call Owl Books as a possible vendor for our book sale. We will need to send out a "Save the Date" flyer for LILC. This year will also include "Lunch and Learn" programs in which lectures and discussions will be held during the lunch period.

F. **PUBLIC RELATIONS/ GRAPHICS:** YSS is having Monica Wellington for their speaker. We should ask them if they have any leftover books for outreach and RIF. The save the date should be sent out soon.

G. **PUBLIC RELATIONS/MEDIA:** No report.

H. **RIF:** Over the past year NCLA's RIF grant had been in turmoil due to some changes made in the requirements for those who receive the benefits of RIF. Because of this we changed our distribution from 5th graders to service children at Headstart centers. This has been successful as the children in the Headstarts are in fact qualified for RIF's benefits and we have been able to supplement Outreach with RIF books. Two hardcover books are given to each Outreach center as well as gift books for the children. The only major problem is that Scholastic who provides the books claim that our statistics are not satisfactory, so we will have to be careful in the future to keep them up to par.

I. NLS : Renee is getting ready for her program on serving children on the Autism spectrum at Farmingdale Library. Pat Schissel, the president of AHA will be speaking.

A meeting will be held in March for “Summer Reading Day,” in which ideas will be exchanged for this year’s Summer Reading Program. Renee would like to schedule an “I’m New What Do I Do?” program for everyone, as well as a meeting addressing issues of Intellectual Freedom. One of the Lunch and Learn programs at LILC this year will be Civil Service.

III. OLD BUISNESS : None

VII. NEW BUISNESS : Schools are beginning to take away incentives for children which use food. They do not want to promote fast food as a prize for academic success. YSS will be doing a program on Nutrition.

IV. ADJOURNMENT: The Meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:35. Renee made a motion to dismiss and Anita seconded.

Respectfully Submitted, Jessikah Chautin.