

RASD

Board Meeting
Tuesday, September 12, 2017
SCLS

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am.

Members Present: Azurée Agnello, Lauren Bernat, Nicole Berroyer, Jo-Ann Carhart, Robert Cognato, Joan Cook, Sal Filosa, Inez Foster, Candace Hope, Stephen Ingram, Dave Jones, Ruby Marchetti, Rose Marut, Katie McIntyre, Cindy Miller, Jessica Newmark, Maureen Nicolazzi, Wendy Polhemus – Annibell, Tim Sicurella

Lauren made a motion to approve the August 8 minutes with corrections. They were approved.

President's Report: President Jose Hernandez recommended that the SCLA Board vote to allow NYLA to automatically transfer funds every quarter beginning in January (previously, funds would only be transferred after the SCLA President or Treasurer had filed paperwork). The motion was passed by the Board, though this will have to be reviewed if membership does not increase enough to maintain a healthy balance in all accounts, but for now all is stable. An electronic vote of this motion will need to be approved by the general membership; no date for the vote was stated at the meeting in August, but I would assume that it will be announced at the September Board Meeting.

Talk of a slight increase to membership rates was discussed, but more information is needed to determine this increase, and it will not take place until at least 2018 while the current membership push is underway.

It was suggested that SCLA Board Meetings take place, at least once a quarter, at libraries to help to become more visible to potential members.

DASL President Bruce Seger noted that with the closure of Dowling College, membership in the Division is down. The Division intends to begin moving meetings around to different colleges so as to be more visible to potential members across the county.

On a positive note, Bruce said that the renovated library at the Grant Campus of Suffolk County Community College will house an office for the college president, Shaun McKay, on the second floor. Bruce is also working on digitizing the archives with a new, high speed scanner.

Bruce also noted the importance of the upcoming Constitutional Convention vote; it was recommended that all review and share the NYSET video on this issue. CATS reported that the September 7 TIF meeting will feature Ruth Westfall speaking about security in libraries. The next CATS meeting will be on September 13 in the Blue Room of SCLS.

The Annual Dinner will be held on Friday, November 17 at the Brentwood Country Club. Registration is expected to open in October.

Networking Night has been postponed to October with the date TBD. It will be held at the Brookhaven Free Library, inside the building with light refreshments.

SCLA and CLASC are co-sponsoring a civil service workshop on September 27 at Sachem Public Library; the meeting will focus on, but will not be limited to, the upcoming Librarian II exam and clerk exams.

Teri Hatred would like to remind everyone to submit continuing education to be included in the database – this will be especially important in early 2018 as the upper level management exams become open.

The Long Island Library Conference committee has begun planning for 2018 and currently looking for additional members to the committee.

LILRC noted that their events calendar with continuing education opportunities for July through October is available. LILRC also will have two new employees starting by the fall.

Taking into account the desire to move meetings around and gain more visibility by the SCLA Board and DASL, perhaps RASD would like to consider hosting meetings at libraries where there are no current Board Members. If you know of someone who would be able to schedule a meeting in a library where there are no current board members, please be sure to speak to Vice President/President Elect Candace Hope.

Treasurer's Report: September: Maureen reported that the opening balance was \$4500.58. **Total revenues** from new member/continuing dues and the RASD Luncheon were \$598.00. **Total expenses** from RASD Luncheon speaker was \$100.00. The **closing balance** as of August 31 was \$4998.58.

Approved reimbursements: Refreshments up to \$200.00 was approved for the 2017 Health Concerns Breakfast.

Outstanding: No outstanding balances

C.A.R.E.: Nicole reported that the next CARE Committee meeting is on September 14 at SCLS. Coffee at 2:00 pm and meeting at 2:30 pm.

On November 16 at SCLS, Dave Sullivan from Family Service League will be speaking about the Flexible Employment Program. This program provides vocational services to individuals with disabilities and is sponsored by the NY State Department of Education ACCES-VR. This program provides diagnostic evaluations, teaches computer skills, interviewing, job search skills and placement. They also offer aftercare support and vocational counseling. Family Service League serves people with mental health conditions, developmental disabilities, substance abuse issues, legal histories and physical disabilities.

Electronic Resources: Dave Jones reported that the next meeting is planned for September 14 at 9:30 am at SCLS and will be a second roundtable about online learning tools. There will be several speakers - the meeting will cover Universal Class and Atomic Learning, Kanopy video streaming, the death of the iPod, Flipster and Overdrive's new app Libby.

Health Concerns: Sal Filosa reported that the Health Concerns Committee met on Tuesday, September 5 at SCLS and finalized details for the annual breakfast. Two speakers from Stony Brook will be present and sign up for a vein screening (ages 55+). The event will take place on another date. Several other program ideas are being discussed for 2018, pending the approval of the grant through NNLM-MAR so we can set dates for all workshops. The grant was looked at favorably. The person in charge of dispersing the funds had several follow up questions and our responses were submitted yesterday. Notification will be sent upon a confirmation.

December 1 is also LILRC's Health Sciences Information Committee's annual meeting at Stony Brook and one RASD Health Concerns Committee member is hosting this event. A representative will be present at Smithtown's Committee Fair on the same date.

It was discussed and agreed that SCLA members will not have to pay for the annual breakfast but non-SCLA members will have to pay \$5. The committee will send out a flyer and begin advertising this program soon. After the annual breakfast, the next meeting will take place in January, 2018.

Historian: Robert Cognato reported that he has been updating items. Jo-Ann gave him an old *Ramblings* that he would like to add. Stephen also gave him some old photos.

Long Island History: Inez Foster reported that a committee meeting is scheduled for October 5 at SCLS. This meeting will discuss details for future meetings such as, speakers, traveling exhibits, programmers showcase and a trip. More information to follow.

Long Island Reads: Beth Gates reported that the last committee meeting on September 7 had a big turnout. The committee is still in the process of selecting the 2018 title and will be voting this fall.

The next committee meeting will be on October 4 at Glen Cove Library. Coffee at 9:30 am and meeting at 10:00 am.

Media: Tim Sicurella reported that due to poor attendance at the July meeting, he will rework the topics for the next meeting on Monday, October 16, 2017 at SCLS. Melanie Cardon-Leathers from Longwood Public Library will be discussing digitization projects for local history collections. Other topics in the meeting include: fine rates for media, shelving issues and solutions for media, circulation of vinyl and more.

Member-at-Large: Ruby Marchetti reported that there are approximately 22 registered for the luncheon although she expects several more sign-ups. The online registration closes on September 19. She estimates it will be about \$530 in costs.

There are currently 4 raffle prizes and a motion was made to use the Brainfuse money toward the luncheon which was approved. There is a need for a volunteer to handle walk-ins and raffle tickets. Stephen and Maureen volunteered to handle petty cash.

Membership: Jessica Newmark from The Smithtown Library will be taking over Membership in October. There are currently 176 members.

M.O.S.A.I.C.: The committee's next meeting will be on Tuesday, September 19 at 9:30am at SCLS. Tracy Spieldman and Susan Shiloni of Literacy Suffolk will be speaking about the services offered through Literacy Suffolk.

There is a committee meeting scheduled for November 21 at 9:30 am.

New Adults: The next committee meeting will be on September 18 at the Sachem Public Library. The topic will be building new adult collections.

O.A.R.S: Cindy Miller reported that the next committee meeting will be on September 13 at SCLS. The discussion will be about changing the committee's name and reorganization.

PR and Marketing: Jo-Ann Carhart reported that the deadline for the SLMA Award is September 15 and they are in need of 1 judge. She will make sure that the award is on the agenda for the SCLA dinner.

On October 19 at the East Islip Public Library, the committee will be hosting a program on Video Production and Marketing featuring speaker Steven Taub. A motion was made for the speaker payment of \$225.00 and it was approved. Any non-members who wish to attend the program will be charged \$10.00.

Programs: Rose Marut reported that she has contacted Cynthia Nielsen, Nassau RASD president about possible topics and speakers for the LI Library Conference in May. At the last meeting, the Nassau RASD Board discussed reference services and possibly a publisher who could talk about digitization of library reference collections. Cynthia will keep Rose updated on any other details and topics after the October meeting.

Please email Rose if you have ideas or suggestions for topics and/or speakers.

Ramblings: Wendy Polhemus-Annibell reported that the summer edition of *Ramblings* was sent out on July 13. As there always seem to be a few people who don't get the share link or who try to sign-in with a different email address, anyone who has a problem accessing should please send their content via email to wannibell@gmail.com.

The deadline for the fall will be on August 25 and the winter issue will go out by the end of the year.

Reader's Advisory: Azurée Agnello reported that the next meeting is Thursday, September 28 at SCLS and the topic is Mystery (regular not cozy). Coffee/Tea at 9:30 and meeting from 10 am-12 pm.

Webpage: Wonda Miller reported that all information has been posted to the website. Please send any new announcements to her via email to post to the website in case she misses a post on the listserv.

New Business: Lauren Bernat handed out an application for the first annual SCLA Committee Fair. The Committee Fair will take place on Friday, December 1 at the Nesconset Branch of The Smithtown Library. Please ensure that a representative of your committee is in attendance and that there will be informational handouts. The purpose of this is to raise awareness of the services and benefits offered to professionals in our county, both for members and non-members.

Congratulations to Lauren Bernat for her upcoming wedding!

Old Business: No News

Upcoming meetings are scheduled on the following dates:

Tuesday, January 10, 2017, at SCLS in Bellport

Tuesday, February 7, 2017 at Bay Shore – Brightwaters Public Library

Tuesday, March 7, 2017 at SCLS in Bellport

Tuesday, April 4, 2017 at SCLS in Bellport

No May meeting: LI Library Conference on May 4, 2017

Tuesday, June 6, 2016 at John Jermain Memorial Library in Sag Harbor

No meeting in July

Tuesday, August 8, 2017 at Connetquot Public Library

September: Annual Luncheon & Meeting, October 3, 2017 at Painter's Restaurant in Brookhaven

Tuesday, October 3, 2017 at Painters' Restaurant

Monday, November 6, 2017 Annual Health Concerns Breakfast at SCLS

Tuesday, December 5, 2017 at SCLS in Bellport

The meeting was closed at 10:38 am.

Respectfully Submitted,
Katie McIntyre