

RASD

Board Meeting
Tuesday, January 6, 2015
Suffolk County Library System, Bellport, NY

The meeting was called to order at 2:10 pm.

Members Present: Lauren Bernat, Nicole Berroyer, Robert Cognato, Joan Cook, Ellen Druda, Inez Foster, Stephen Ingram, Megan Sala James, Tabitha Johnson, Elma Lugo and Rose Marut

President's Report: Megan reported that NYLA needs the slate of officers for the next election by May. She asked that all Board members consider if they would like to run for a position in 2016. The positions that would be up for election include Vice President/President Elect and Recording Secretary.

A few corrections were made to the December 2, 2014 minutes. Inez Foster made a motion to approve the minutes with the changes. Elma Lugo seconded it.

Treasurer's Report: Megan reported that she received the November financial statement from NYLA. Deposits included \$2 for dues and \$300 from SCLA for the Annual RASD Dinner speaker. There was a request for \$180.80 for the Public Relations and Marketing Award and \$62.27 paid to Brian Adams for the balance of expenses for the Health Concerns Annual Breakfast. The closing balance for November 30, 2014 is \$1,241.78. There is an outstanding request for \$100, paid to Megan Sala James to cover the cost of registering 2 judges to the Annual SCLA Dinner. The actual balance is \$1,141.78.

C.A.R.E.: Nicole reported that the next meeting for this committee is on January 15, 2015 at 2:30 pm at the Connetquot Public Library.

Electronic Resources: Ellen reported that at the December meeting at the Mastic-Moriches-Shirley Community Library Nick Tanzi spoke about a 3D printing program available for the iPad. Ellen is looking for suggestions for others speakers or vendors. Stephen suggested that social media, privacy, Wordpress or blogging are good topics. It may be possible that SCLA may help with costs. Stephen suggested that this committee reach out to join with the C.A.R.E. committee to make a presentation regarding job hunting.

Health Concerns: Rona reported that she sent out applications for the 2015 Health Concern Committee. She will be planning a meeting to discuss the topic for 2015.

Historian: Robert reported that all is up to date.

LI History: Inez reported that the next meeting of this committee is scheduled for February 26 at the Suffolk Center on the Holocaust, Diversity and Human Understanding, which is located in the Suffolk County Community College Huntington Library on the Ammerman Campus in Selden. There will be a tour of the museum and then the regular meeting will take place. The next LI History and Genealogy showcase is scheduled for April 23, 2015 at the Babylon Public Library.

Long Island Reads: Therese reported (and is overjoyed!) that Alice Hoffman is now able to participate in the planned author event in April – she had previously informed us that she could not be there. The next meeting of this committee is January 15, 2015.

M.O.S.A.I.C.: Elma reported that the M.O.S.A.I.C. breakfast meeting is scheduled for May, 2015. The next “Navigating Your Community” fair is scheduled for May 16, 2015 at the Huntington Public Library. Other discussions included a partnership with school and children’s librarians, and to continue reaching out to diverse communities. The next meeting for this committee is scheduled for January 13, 2015 at the SCLS.

Media: Sara reported that this committee met on December 30. Eight people were in attendance. This committee presented a PowerPoint presentation with handouts that covered Hoopla, Freegal, media statistics in libraries and the Roku device. The discussion was informative and well received. One of the attendees demonstrated how her Hoopla library subscription assists with her media collection development. The next meeting of this committee is scheduled for April – the date will be posted to multiple listservs.

Member-at-Large: Tabitha reported that she will research the food options for the annual Health Concerns Breakfast. She is also looking for a speaker and/or topic for the annual RASD dinner, which is tentatively scheduled for September 30, 2015 – she will check for any date conflicts. Tabitha is looking into the Irish Coffee Pub as a possible venue. She passed around a list of suggestions.

Membership: Wendy reported that there are currently 192 members of RASD.

New Adult Committee: The documentary “Teenager” will be shown during the January 15, 2015 meeting at the Nesconset Branch of the Smithtown Public Library.

O.A.R.S: Cindy reported that at the December meeting, Robin Berger-Gaston from the Family Services League spoke about senior services. This program was very informative and well received. The next meeting is scheduled for January 14, 2015 at Central Islip Public Library.

PR and Marketing: Jo-Ann reported that there was no change from her previous report. The next meeting of this committee is January 15, 2015 at the SCLA. The March meeting will be at the East Islip Public Library.

Programs: Rose reported that the Nassau and Suffolk RASDs are co-sponsoring a program at the Long Island Library Conference on May 7, 2015 at the Melville Marriot. The speaker will be Andrea Snyder, an Outreach Services Specialist with the Nassau Library System. The topic will be “Assisting Job Seekers on the Frontline,” and will include information on how libraries can better serve the many people who are searching and applying for jobs, and how job hunters can be made aware of the depth of resources available to them at a public library.

Ramblings: Rona thanks all who sent an article for the December issue of Ramblings. The deadline for the March issue is February 21. Please send any items of interest from your committee, or anything that is happening in your library that could benefit all. If you are sending program information, please make sure it’s open to all and not just area residents.

Reader’s Advisory: Grace reported that the next meeting is scheduled for January 22, 2015 at the SCLS. The genre for discussion is Sports Fiction.

Webpage: Stephen and Cathi have updated as much information on the website as they could. Cathi will post past minutes on the site. The website includes links to committee pages, and there are logos available for download. Stephen is going to remove the Gmail address for contacting RASD (since no one is monitoring it) and he will make a link to the RASD Facebook page. He asked the various committees to share their upcoming meeting information so he can post the information on the website. Stephen also reminded everyone to always refer to RASD when sending out emails so others can make the connection with RASD. Changes are currently being made to the RASD constitution to reflect the NYLA merge. Stephen is also working on a tri-fold brochure for RASD.

Old Business: If anyone has any suggestion or information regarding speakers at the Annual Conference, it would be good to share this by August, as the deadline for submitting this information is now in November.

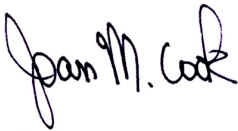
New Business: There is no new business.

The next meetings are scheduled for:

Tuesday, February 3, 2015 at 9:30 am, at the Suffolk County Library System in Bellport
Tuesday, March 3, 2015 at 9:30 am, at the Suffolk County Library System in Bellport
Tuesday, April 7, 2015 at 9:30 am, at the Suffolk County Library System in Bellport
Tuesday, June 2, 2015 at 9:30 am at the Suffolk Center on the Holocaust, Diversity and Human Understanding, which is located in the Huntington Library on the Ammerman Campus of Suffolk County Community College in Selden.
Tuesday, August 4, 2015 at 9:30 am, at the Suffolk County Library System in Bellport
September, RASD Annual Dinner – To be determined
Wednesday, October 28, 2015 (Health Concerns Breakfast) at 9:30 am at the SCLS in Bellport
Tuesday, November 3 at 9:30 am, at Longwood Public Library in Middle Island
Tuesday, December 1, 2015 at 9:30 am, at the Suffolk County Library System in Bellport

Elma made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Ellen seconded it.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joan M. Cook". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "J".

Joan Cook