

RASD Board Meeting
Tuesday, April 2, 2013
SCLS

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 am.

Minutes from the February 26, 2013 meeting at the SCLS were approved on a motion by Megan Sala-James and seconded by Rona Dressler.

Members present: Brian Adams, Robert Cognato, Jo-Ann Carhart, Joan Cook, Rona Dressler, Ellen Druda, Cindy Miller, Cathi Nashak and Megan Sala-James - John Varrone, visitor

President's Report: Cathi introduced and welcomed John Verrone as a visitor to this meeting. | Membership lists resulting from the NYLA and SCLA merger are nearly complete. Regina will be sending out an email with more information. | Long Island Library Conference registration is online only. The website presents the option to select the SCLA rate of \$50 or \$60 - NYLA will be recognizing the 2012 SCLA membership database for the conference. | The SCLA Annual Dinner is set for November 14 at Villa Lombardi's in Holbrook. | The SCLA Relay for Life is looking for participants and/or donations. This event is scheduled for June. For more information, please contact Jamie Pompandua. | The LILRC is scheduled for Thursday, October 24 and Friday, October 25 at Dowling College. There is no fee.

Treasurer's report: The checking account balance at NYLA is \$3597.62. | The first request for a reimbursement check from NYLA was a success. Megan has designed a receipt for Special Speakers as proof that he/she provided services. | The capped price for refreshment reimbursement for meetings is set at \$20.00.

Committee Reports

C.A.R.E.: No report

Electronic Resources: The last meeting was on March 27 at Half Hollow Hills. It was well attended. | The new Overdrive interface will be changed on April 1 - it will be made more user-friendly for smaller screens. | There is a meeting on April 15 to put together instructions for downloading Overdrive. | They also discussed how to keep up to date with technology with staff cutbacks. Bob Johnson talked about Reference and IT coordination, publicizing databases and Pinterest Boards. | The next meeting is June 19 at the SCLS. | The conference website was down, but it is now up. | Remember to perform security updates if you have a WordPress site to ward off hackers.

Health Concerns: Rona has secured Kate DiMeglio of New Beginnings Community Center for Brain Injury Rehabilitation in Medford. She will speak on brain injuries at the October 30, 2013 workshop. Lisa Gasowski is in the process of finding a speaker from Stony Brook.

Historian: Robert Cognato has reported that all historical documents are being properly maintained.

LI History: Inez reported that their last meeting was on March 21 at Brookhaven Town Hall. Brookhaven Town Historian, Barbara Russell did an excellent job of informing them about the resources available at their facility. After the tour they discussed the upcoming History and Genealogy Programmers Showcase, which will be held on Thursday, April 25 at SCLS from 9:30 am until 12:00 pm. Currently, there are 8 participating programmers. More information will follow. | Inez will be sending out emails, asking members for suggestions for their annual trip, which will take place in June, 2013.

Long Island Reads: Grace O'Connor is not present but Deborah Cunningham reported via email that the LI Reads Committee met on Tuesday, March 19 at SCLS. They are still working out the details of J.R. Moehringer's visit, but the date is May 19 at 2:00 at the Plainview-Old Bethpage Public Library. The flyers and posters (c/o Astoria Federal) have been distributed by NLS and SCLS. If you did not receive, please check within your Library, then contact Samantha at SCLS (samantha@suffolknet.org). | The Readers Guide is on the website at www.longislandreads.org. | The balance of the book order has arrived and should have been forwarded by now. If not, again, contact Samantha. We received a notice from Hyperion saying that they did, indeed, drop the ball on our 600+ book order and Janet Schneider of our Committee was able to round up a large order from her other contacts. Hyperion is also now supplying and we were told that Amazon has more as well. Again, we are sorry for any issues this may have raised for you and your patrons. | There is a flyer for the Sutton guided tour bus trip. It was sent out and on the SCLA-List. A well-respected guide, Justin Ferrate, has created the tour, there is a lunch and bus. It is on May 14 and there are pick-ups at Hampton Bays, Riverhead, and Middle Country Library with a stop at the 110 Park 'N Ride. For more information contact Loretta Piscatella at 631-585-9393 ext. 288 or piscatellaloretta@mcpl.lib.ny.us. If you want to book the tour for your library, contact Lisa at McCarney Tours, 631-929-4950 or mccarney@optonline.net. | Book Revue will be handling the book sales at the author event again. Sutton and The Tender Bar will be for sale and signing. You may also bring your own copies for signing. | There was an article in Newsday about the police officer who arrested Willie Sutton. Alas, despite Lauren Gilbert's extra efforts we were not included in the coverage. Sutton did make the ALA short list for their annual bests in historical fiction. | We are having one last pre-event meeting at Plainview-Old Bethpage Public Library on April 24, 9:30 coffee, 10-12 meeting. The author event will take place on May 19th at the Plainview-Old Bethpage Library.

M.O.S.A.I.C.: Elma Lugo reported via email that their last meeting took place on March 12, 2013. Unfortunately, their speaker from LILTA (Long Island Latino Teachers Association) was unable to attend. Valerie Lewis spoke to us about basic literacy. She also walked us through the Long Island Assistive Technology Center at SCLS and provided MOSAIC with information on a variety of electronic magnifiers, computer hardware and software, etc. SCLS Outreach Services offers libraries the ability to transcribe "certain" library information and event announcements into Braille. For a demonstration, call Valerie Lewis at 286-2600 x 1354 for an appointment. | SCLS Outreach upcoming events are: April 10 – Domestic Violence: 101; April 17 – Emergency Evacuation Database Hands-on Training; September 24 – Autism Resource Fair; October 2 – Veteran's Affairs/Services for Veterans Living with Mental Illness. MOSAIC will visit to the Queens Library's Americans Program sometime in the second or third week of July. Members of MOSAIC will either take the train or carpool. |

MOSAIC's Second Annual Breakfast is scheduled for May 14 at SCLS at 9:30 am. LILAC (Long Island Language Advocates Coalition) will be the guest speakers. | Elma attended Hispanic Literary Night of Suffolk County/Noche Literaria Hispana Del Condado De Suffolk. This event was held at the Scully Estate. Long Island Al Dia's 4th year anniversary; author Jaime Kozak was the invited guest of honor and spoke about his book "Jugar, Jugar, hasta crecer" (play, play until you grow up). SEPA Mujer received Long Island Al Dia's 2013 award for its 20 years of Services for the Advancement of Women. Luis Alberto Ambroggio, poet and literary critic and Doctor of Philosophy from Argentina, was an Honorary Invitee. There was lots of artwork by many Latinos as well as a Pan Flute player. Elma met Luis Montes, Assistant Deputy County Executive and discussed MOSAIC's annual breakfast. He was very interested and wants to be invited to this event. As soon as the flyer is prepared, I will email it to him. | Michelle Athanas brought up that NYU has a program to train women to become professional translators. She sent the following information:

American Translators Association

<http://www.atanet.org/onlinedirectories/>

There you will find a *Directory of Translation and Interpreting Services* and a *Directory of Language Services Companies*.

NYU School of Continuing Studies. They offer a Master's program in Translation. They may be able to direct patrons to students.

<http://www.scps.nyu.edu/areas-of-study/foreign-languages/graduate-programs/ms-translation/>

This is their contact link: <https://www.scps.nyu.edu/contactUs.htm>

MOSAIC's bookmark has been redesigned by Joan Cook. She did a marvelous job. The bookmark has been approved to be put in the bags of registrants for the Library Conference and will also be at the RASD table. Joan is kind enough to design the Annual Breakfast flyer for MOSAIC. | MOSAIC discussed having a possible traveling fair or multicultural day and marketing Suffolk County libraries. | Please do not send any more movies for the RASD basket. If you have any materials to donate, please send them to me in the system bag at the Longwood Public Library. | Elma would like to know how she should handle the cost of the breakfast. Should she just get the needed items and then submit a receipt like she did last year? She would like to at least count on \$150.00 for the breakfast.

Media: No report.

Member-At-Large: Brian reported that he is considering the restaurant Carnival which is located on Nesconset Highway in Port Jefferson. They are in the process building a private room, but he will find out more. Choices for dates are Wednesday, September 25 or Wednesday, September 18. If Carnival does not work out, then he will consider plan B, which would mean a different restaurant. Brian is considering Michael Gannon as the guest speaker. He does Readers Advisory and speaks about Library Superheroes.

Membership: Joan reported that the NYLA and SCLA merger is still being processed. She did not get membership numbers for the past few months during the transition. | The styluses (the LILC giveaway) should be arriving at the Deer Park Public Library any day now.

The bill will be sent to Megan. Joan will be arriving early at the conference to help set up, and will bring the necessary supplies.

OARS: Cindy Miller stated that the group met on March 20 at the Central Islip Public Library. Things are quiet for now. A round table discussion is planned for their next meeting on April 17 – the location will be determined.

PR/Marketing: Jo-Ann Carhart reported that the March 7th workshop, Marketing on a Shoestring II was postponed due to weather. It has been rescheduled for May 9th at the East Islip Public Library. Jo-Ann has the check for the speaker already. | Jo-Ann would like to know how the programs are listed on the SCLA calendar. | This committee will be presenting Partnering to Save Lives at the Long Island Library Conference on May 2nd. | A planning meeting is scheduled for June 13 at the East Islip Public Library. The topics for this meeting include, a possible new award for library publicity in Suffolk County, LibraryAware, and a discussion about successful marketing campaigns, and plans for future campaigns in 2013.

Programs: Rose Marut reported that she did not receive any information yet from the Conference committee on the time or room schedule for their joint program with Nassau RASD. The program description has been corrected and is listed on the LILC website. She requested a fee of \$14.13 from Megan to ask NYLA (our half the total to be split between the RASD's) for the presenter's transportation to be paid at the Conference. | She is in the process of finalizing details with Eileen McCarthy about the Speaker, Claudia Perry - registration, intro and evaluations. She will send an email when she is notified about the time and room for the program. If anyone would like to help by taking a count for our stats or setting out the evaluations, please let her know - It always helpful to have more hands that day.

Ramblings: Rona reminded everyone that April 25 is the deadline for the next newsletter. If you have anything to submit, please forward it to her.

Readers Advisory: No report. They are discussing translated novels at the Northport-East Northport Public Library.

Web Page: Cathi Nashak reported that Jason has uploaded the RASD meeting minutes to the RASD website, and has made some corrections. | Joan asked that he include the Membership committee category as it has not been listed on the RASD site.

New Business: Reminder: A \$20 cap has been set for the cost of meeting refreshment reimbursements.

Remaining meetings for 2013:	June 11	East Hampton Library
	July	No meeting
	August 6	Location to be announced
	September 25	Annual Dinner: Location to be determined
	October	Annual breakfast on 10/30 - No formal meeting
	November 5	To be determined
	December 3	To be determined

Old Business: None.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:20 am by Rona Dressler, seconded by Robert Cognato.

Respectfully submitted by Joan Cook.