

RASD

Board Meeting
Tuesday, December 1, 2015
Deer Park Public Library, Deer Park, NY
Corrected & Approved

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

Members Present: Azuree Agnello, Lauren Bernat, Nicole Berroyer, Robert Cognato, Joan Cook, Ellen Druda, Inez Foster, Tabitha Johnson, Rose Marut, Cindy Miller, Wonda Miller, and Megan Sala-James

Cindy made a motion to approve the November 3, 2015 minutes with corrections, Lauren seconded it. The minutes were approved.

President's Report: Megan thanked the Board members for all their hard work this year, as it made her job as President a pleasure. She shared that the SCLA dinner was an enjoyable evening, and many gifts were collected for Toys for Tots. 2015 award winners included... Marsha Greenspan received the SCLA President's Award. She is the purchasing agent and secretary to the director of the Brentwood Public Library, and has been involved with the SCLA and the SSD Division for twelve years. Elizabeth Stokes of the Riverhead Public Library won the ELSA Award. She volunteers at the Riverhead jail where she runs book discussions. Emily Warren from the Patchogue-Medford Public Library received the SCLA Scholarship. The Continuing Education Award went to Brittany LaValle of the Brookhaven Free Library. Megan also attended M.O.S.A.I.C.'s Information Fair at the Middle County Public Library on November 21, where she met some interesting people and listened to great music provided by Mambo Loco. Megan also connected with an outreach person from Habitat for Humanity, and will pass her contact information on to the SCLA, just in case they want to bring back the baskets for the homes built in Suffolk.

Treasurer's Report: The opening balance as of December 1, 2015 was \$2588.41. Net income was \$400.00. The only expense was \$203.73 to Tabitha Johnson for the Annual Health Concerns Breakfast. The closing balance as of December 1 was \$2784.68.

C.A.R.E.: More than 24 people attended the November 19 meeting of this committee, in which Sal DiVincenzo of the Miller Business Resource Center at the Middle Country Public Library gave a presentation called "Help! I'm not a Business Librarian." The presentation was well received. Stephen Ingram suggested a C.A.R.E. program entitled "Accidental Career Counselor" in which a panel of librarians will discuss their experiences, and what they can do to help patrons who are looking for employment. Karen McKenna from CareerVisionary has presented programs in many Suffolk County libraries. She would like to design new programs based on patron's needs. Please send any suggestions that you may have for programs you would like her to focus on. Committee responsibilities, and the need for any updates to the mission statement and goals will be the focus of this committee's next meeting on Thursday, January 14 at the SCLS.

Electronic Resources: The next meeting of this committee will be on December 10, at the Emma S. Clark Memorial Library, where the topic will be Oculus Rift Virtual Reality headsets. Ellen shared that there were great speakers at the New York City Electronics Trade Show. The next meeting of this committee will be announced.

Health Concerns: Sal reported via email, that he is considering Tuesday, October 25 for the 2016 Annual Health Concerns Breakfast, beginning at 9:00 am with the workshops beginning at 10:00 am. While he did book Wednesday through the SCLS, it would be difficult for him to get coverage. The Board discussed that Tuesday would be fine, but agreed to table the discussion until the January meeting.

Historian: Robert reported that all documents are up to date, and that he will go through the many documents that he received from Rona. He encouraged Board members to share any items they may have for the archives.

Long Island History: The November 5 Traveling Exhibits for Libraries exhibit at Longwood Public Library included presentations by SCCC Professor Jill Sanitago and Mr. Victor Pepitone. Ms. Santiago spoke about programs that the Center on the Holocaust, Diversity and Human Understanding offers, and Mr. Pepitone spoke about the historical collection of military artifacts that he has spanning World War I through Vietnam. The audience was very interested in the presentations. A Program Showcase is scheduled for April 14, 2016 (location to be announced), and a trip to the Tesla Museum is planned for June 9.

Long Island Reads: The new Suffolk Co-Chair for Long Island Reads is Beth Gates from Rogers Memorial Library.

Media: Eleven people attended this committee's meeting on September 30, where the discussion included innovations for OverDrive, Hoopla, and how libraries are keeping up with the emerging statistics with technology. This committee is constructing a blog that should be up before the New Year.

Member-at-Large: Tabitha reported that she has been working on a planning document for the Member-at-Large position, and will send the information to Stephen for the next chairperson.

Membership: Wendy reported that there are currently 168 RASD members.

M.O.S.A.I.C.: There was a great turnout at the November 21st "Navigating Your Community Information Fair" at the Middle Country Public Library, with 410 patrons stopping by the registration table. There were over 32 organizations sharing information, and 83 attendees completed the Passport to Information by visiting at least 7 tables. Three of the winners were from Mujeres Latinas! a popular program at the Middle Country Public Library. Mambo Loco added lots of energy to the event and played music from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. There was lots of positive feedback from the vendors.

New Adult Committee: The November 16 meeting of this committee at the Middle Country Public Library featured Andrea Snyder who was an excellent speaker on Marketing. Chris DeCristofaro from Sachem Public Library will discuss how technology can be used to engage new adults at the December 21 meeting of this committee at the Hauppauge Public Library.

O.A.R.S: This committee met on November 18 at the Connetquot Public Library. The next meeting is scheduled for December 9 at the West Islip Public Library. This committee will sponsor two programs at the LI Library Conference. One will feature Roger Leathers who will speak about Librarians Helping Veterans, and the other will feature Janet Egan who will speak about public relations for the 50th Anniversary of the Bohemia Historical Society.

PR and Marketing: Awards were given out at the SCLA Dinner. Patchogue-Medford Library won first place for the Suffolk Library Marketing Award. Smithtown Library received an honorable mention, and Connetquot Public Library was recognized for their participation. Letters will be sent

out to the Directors of the libraries who participated in this year's contest. The next meeting of this committee will be at 10:00 am, on January 21 at SCLS. SLMA submissions will be discussed.

Programs: Rose submitted the sponsor form to the LI Library Conference committee for the joint RASD program at the LI Library Conference on May 5, 2016. The committee has confirmed that it has been received, and will be in contact about the room assignment and time when it is set. Forbes contributor and author, David Vinjamuri will be the presenter for a program called "Guerilla Outreach: 10 Tips for Connecting to Your Community." Mr. Venjamuri will discuss how libraries can use outreach to effectively connect with their communities and build awareness of their programs and resources on a limited budget. Mr. Venjamuri's fee of \$250 will be split with the Nassau RASD. Rose needs some guidance as to how to submit the request for funds from NYLA.

Ramblings: No report.

Reader's Advisory: Azuree updated the blog with short story topics. Biographies will be the topic of this committee's next meeting on January 28 at the SCLS.

Webpage: Wonda has been posting items on the website as she sees them. If you have any items that you would like posted on the RASD website, please email them to her at wmiller@happaugelibrary.org.

New Business: Maureen Nicolazzi from the North Babylon Public Library was nominated for the position of RASD Treasurer. A vote was taken, all were in favor. Katie McIntyre from Bay Shore-Brightwaters Public Library was nominated as a RASD Secretary. A vote was taken, all were in favor. The position of Member-at-Large is still vacant. If you know of anyone that may be interested, please let Stephen know. Inez is looking for a Co-Chair for the Long Island History Committee. Please make sure that any committee chairpersons or co-chairpersons are current SCLA members. Don't forget to send photos of your committee's chairperson and co-chairperson to Megan for the SCLA contact documents. In addition, please send to Stephen, a short blurb describing your committee, along with committee member names, positions, library affiliation, and contact information. This information will be part of the SCLA new member packet.

Upcoming meetings are scheduled on the following dates:

Tuesday, January 5, 2016, at the SCLS in Bellport

Tuesday, February 2, 2016 at SCLS in Bellport

Tuesday, March 1, 2016

Tuesday, April 5, 2016

No May meeting: LI Library Conference on May 5, 2016

Tuesday, June 7, 2016

No meeting in July

Tuesday, August 2, 2016

No September meeting, due to the annual RASD Dinner

Tuesday, October 6, 2016

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If your library would like to host a meeting, please let Stephen know.

The meeting was closed at 10:48 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joan Cook