

Approved Meeting Minutes

Date: February 1, 2024

Time: 10 a.m.

Location: SCLS Blue Room & Zoom

Attendees: Bob Johnson, Mary O'Grady, Alison Mirabella, Julia Sukhu, Nicole Parisi Eberle, Stephen Burg, Anthony Giansante, Steve Alcalde, Debbie Antolini, Michael Bartolomeo, Roseann Mammina, Danielle Bliss, Samantha Uebel, Rebecca Goldstein

Non-Attendees: Chris DeCristofaro, Sara Fade, Andrew Tarantowicz

Call To Order: 10:03 a.m.

Approval of January 2024 minutes:

Corrections: none

- Approved by:
 - o Roseann Mammina
 - Stephen Burg

President's Report:

Bob reported. Attended SCLA meeting:

- CATS should receive \$500 SCLA disbursement shortly
- March 28, 6-9pm, mixer at James Joyce in Patchogue. Fee \$10 for members, \$25 for guests
- SCLS approved an accounting firm for taxes

Bob attended EETC event AI in Libraries: Possibilities & Peril, great program and audience.

Treasurer's Report:

- Alison reported. Balance as of December 31st is \$434
- \$500 deposit forthcoming from SCLS
- SCLS is finalizing creation of Venmo business account.

Archives: Send documents for archives to sclacatsarchive@gmail.com.

Alison found password to account and was able to gain access!

Technology Information Forum (TIF):

- Alison reported. No January meeting
- Next meeting: February 8, 2:30pm Joint meeting with NCLA via zoom. Demo by Dashlame, password management solution vendor.
- Bob requested sending speaker details & blurb to Stephen B. for posting to webpage

East End Tech Coalition (EETC):

- Anthony G. reported. Program by Nick Tanzi AI in Libraries: Possibilities and Peril on January 16th at 10am, Rogers Memorial Library had 30 attendees. Breakfast was donated.
- Next program: March 5th program at SCLS by James Hutter, Supporting Staff Through Changing Tech Trends.

Tech Services Roundtable Committee:

- Debbie & Roseann reported. Next Tech Services Roundtable on March 18.
- Programs are posted on forums. Discussed member attendance list. Email group to be developed.

Hospitality: Debbie reported. \$5.01 spent on refreshments. Bob donated Dunkin Donuts.

Membership: Anthony G. reported. SCLA has 540 members, CATS 86 members (number reflects primary division section only). Anthony voiced concern about this method affecting CATS membership count.

Newsletter:

- Bob requested a blurb for the newsletter from each committee chair.
- Board members should also submit blurbs on what CATS means to them.
- Send blurbs to Sam at suebel@brentwoodlibrary.org by next Friday.
- Put QR code in newsletter.
- Newsletter deadline next Friday.

Publicity: Bob reported.

- CATS QR code
- Venmo non-profit CATS account created through Bob.
- Send program blubs to Sam for flyer creation.

Programs:

- LILC, 5 CATS programs approved:
 - Teaching Technology, joint with NCLA
 - Ask me Anything: Woman and Technology
 - o Tech, Trends and Teens at the Public Library... Oh My!
 - Maximizing Your Seed Library's Potential
 - o Judged by the Covers, Meet the Challenge Organize, Advocate, and Overcome

Web Site & Social Media:

- Bob stated WordPress theme is outdated, needs to be upgraded.
- Send all program blurbs and flyers to Stephen B. for posting to webpage.

Old Business:

New Business:

- Discussed raffle basket for SCLA Mixer: Bob has a Southdown Coffee certificate & mug, Steve B. has liquor, Anthony G. will get coffee. Raffle ticket proceeds are kicked back to committees.
- Roseann asked about list of locations for advertising programs.
- Division Highlights:
 - o Bob reported the new café at Emma S. Clark Memorial Library has been busy.
 - o Michael B. noted that NYLA-SMART is looking for speakers for a webinar for SMART.
 - Anthony G. mentioned John Jermain Library started e-waste recycling.

Next Meeting:

March 6, Wednesday, 10am, SCLS

Adjournment: 11:57 a.m.

- Approved by Stephen Burg
- Seconded by Anthony Giansante

Respectfully submitted,
Mary O'Grady, Recording Secretary