



Approved Meeting minutes

Date: February 11, 2026

Time: 10 a.m. meeting

Location: SCLS Auditorium

Attendees: Nicole Malley-Romagnolo, Dave Jones, Steve Alcalde, Mary O'Grady, Bob Johnson, Dan Costa, Stephen Burg, Roseann Mammina, Nicole Parisi Eberle, Anthony Giansante, Alison Mirabella, Cindy Ilardi, Alex Cranshaw

Non-Attendees: Sara Fade, Rebecca Goldstein, Tory Young, Andrew Tarantowicz

Call To Order: 10:07 a.m.

Approval of January 7 minutes:

- Corrections: none
 - o Approved by: Steve A.
 - o Seconded by: Nicole P.

President's Report: Nicole M. reported.

- CATS will be co-sponsoring the Vega Discover Training on February 23 from 2-4pm with SSD.
- Women & Technology in Libraries Panel will be held April 30th, 6:30-8:30pm at MMSCL. CEUs available. Refreshments to be served, maybe pizza.
- CATS board members, SCLA membership required. Please check your status.
- Winter Mix & Mingle is February 26. Please register. CATS basket: Bob will make basket, Mary provided basket to Bob. Stephen B. to contribute wine.

Treasurer's Report: Dan reported.

- Balance as of January 1 was \$2,232.20. SCLA made \$500 annual disbursement to CATS. Balance as of January 31st was \$2,822.20.

Archives: No update

Technology Information Forum (TIF): Alison reported.

- TIF meeting on January 8th via Zoom had 19 participants. Topics included: Multi-color 3D printing, AI & Staff, Endpoint Protection Solutions, Makerspace, and Outreach.
- Next TIF meeting, February 12, 2:30pm on Zoom. Joint meeting with Nassau County.

East End Tech Coalition (EETC): Anthony G. & Steve A. reported.

- Coordinated Women & Technology in Libraries Panel
- Program ideas: Tech tour of Rogers Memorial Library, Cricut Workshop

Tech Services Roundtable (TSR): Roseann reported.

- Next meeting is scheduled for April 9th at SCLS. Nicole created the flyer.
- Planning: Demco Book Repair Workshop

Hospitality: Anthony provided delicious bagels. Thank you!

Membership:

- 132 current members

Newsletter: Cindy reported.

- Next issue January/February/March. Blurbs and pictures needed. Please submit by March 25.

Publicity: Nicole reported.

- Women & Tech flyer posted to Facebook & Instagram. Tech Services Roundtable flyer created.
- Instagram (22 followers) and Facebook (138 followers). CATS Instagram handle: CATS_SCLA
- Presented several logo ideas for CATS re-branding. Board will vote on choices.

Programs:

- Discussed April/May Mixer, possible location: Blue Point Brewery; CATS can purchase food but not alcohol, cash bar.
- LILC CATS Swag: will look for remaining CATS pens
- LILC CATS baskets (2): 1 donated by board, 1 Cricut Bundle basket. Items due by May meeting.
Motion to approve \$250 for basket:
 - o Approved by Bob J.
 - o Seconded by Cindy I.

Emerging Tech: Alex reported.

- Discussed sublimation oven which transfers digital designs to tumblers, mugs, etc.
- Google Workspace accounts & Gemini. Sayville Library is developing an AI policy.

Web Site: Stephen B. reported.

- Updated website with meeting minutes, meeting dates & board members.
Send flyers for posting.

Old Business:

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New Business:

- Branding refresh discussed. Board will vote on logos created by Nicole P.
- May meeting date will possibly be moved, depending on mixer date.
- Bob suggested a new “CATS Award for Library Network & Tech Services Employees”. \$500 annual award (funded by donors known to Bob) to be presented at CATS annual meeting. Applicants need to be a member of CATS. Possible secondary award: 3-5 SCLA/CATS paid memberships for upcoming year. Need to determine possible updates to constitution.

Motion to approve new annual award:

- o Approved by Alex
- o Seconded by Steve A.

Motion to appoint 5-person committee to establish award guidelines & evaluate submissions:

Steve A., Anthony G., Alison, Dave, Bob J.

- o Approved by Roseann
- o Seconded by Nicole P.

Division Highlights:

- Bob J. reported Emma S. Clark Library has a new library director, Theresa Liguori.
- Stephen B. reported that Library Advocacy Day was a huge success.

Next Meeting:

- March 4th, SCLS, 10 a.m.

Adjournment: 10:57 a.m.

- o Approved by Anthony G.
- o Seconded by Steve B.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary O’Grady, Recording Secretary