

RASD

**Board Meeting
Tuesday, February 2017
Bay Shore – Brightwaters Public Library**

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

Members Present: Azuree Agnello, Lauren Bernat, Nicole Berroyer, Jo-Ann Carhart, Robert Cognato, Sal Filosa, Candace Hope, Stephen Ingram, Ruby Marchetti, Rose Marut, Katie McIntyre, Cindy Miller, Maureen Nicolazzi, Lissetty Thomas

Lauren made a motion to approve the January 10 minutes with corrections. The minutes were approved.

President's Report: Lauren reported that all of the SCLS listservs are now down; please ask Stephen or Lauren for information on how to post to the LI-Lib, NCLA, NYLA and SCLA listservs.

Advocacy Day will be held on Wednesday, March 1. Please consider attending this important event, especially with the governor's proposed cuts: 4 million from libraries and 5 million from construction. The bus travel times have been edited to ensure that all arrive in time to attend the morning sessions. The Riverhead stop has also been cut due to too few using that stop. NYLA has talking points to help all prepare for the day's appointments. Advocacy Day 101 will be held at SCLS on February 14 at 2pm and 10am on February 23.

SCLA has several vacancies: Scholarship, Long Range Planning, Student Outreach and NCLA Liason

SCLA President Jose Hernandez noted that even though the organization is a non-profit, it is able to make a profit on things like the annual dinner. Jose Hernandez went on to say that in 2016, a surplus of \$1,000 was made; he hopes to see this happen again in 2017.

CATS has created a digital documentation record via Google; the Division is also looking into alternate ways of connecting with colleagues across the county. Suggestions have been using Google groups and social media such as Facebook.

SSD is planning a joint meeting with their NCLA equivalent in 2017. SSD will also be hosting a second Safety Fair in October; if the event is successful it will be an annual program.

National conferences will be added to the SCLA calendar for planning purposes.

Brian Adams was at the January SCLA Board Meeting. He reported that approved programs will be posted to the website after all who submitted have been contacted the week of January 23, 2017. The Conference committee is also seeking corporate sponsorship from large/national companies that do not usually attend our conference and other single day conferences. This should help to cut costs and increase profits, without abusing the local vendors who generally contribute to SCLA and NCLA during the rest of the year.

Registration for vendors and attendees is underway and rates have increased. The early-bird registration will end on March 3. The committee has also insisted that starting this year, only 3

panelists will be permitted to speak on a single panel/program and is turning down vendors who submit to present programs. Rates are \$50 for members and \$60 for non-members; it will increase to \$60 and \$70 respectively after March 3 and will be \$80 per person for those who register at the conference, due to the amount of work it is to register someone the day of the conference. There was talk of creating a separate portal from NYLA for registration, but do not expect there to be any changes for the 2017 conference.

Treasurer's Report: (February): Maureen reported that the opening balance was \$4551.46. **Total revenues** from new member/continuing dues and the RASD dinner were \$410.70. **Total expenses** from miscellaneous expenses were \$1000.00. The **closing balance** as of February 3 was \$3962.16.

Approved reimbursements: None

Outstanding: None

C.A.R.E.: Nicole reported that the next committee meeting will be hosting a speaker from the Job Corps on Thursday, February 16, 2017 at SCLS. The presentation will start at 2:30 pm with a committee meeting to follow.

Job Corps is a free education and training program that helps young people learn a career, earn a high school diploma or GED and find and keep a good job. It is designed for eligible young people at least 16 years of age that qualify as low income. Job Corps provides the all-around skills needed to succeed in a career and in life. Ms. Torelli will talk about the criteria and enrollment process for the program as well as how to identify potential candidates.

Electronic Resources: Ellen reported that the committee program *Who's Afraid of Podcasting? One Public Library's Leap into the Realm of Media Production* has been accepted for the 2017 Long Island Library Conference on May 4. Equipment, online distribution, software and general cost will be some of the topics covered by Chris Kretz, creator and producer of the *Long Island History Project* and *In the Stacks*, a library podcast from the Half Hollow Hills Community Library. Librarians Ellen Druda, Charlene Muhr and Chris will discuss the planning and production of *In the Stacks* that launched in September of 2016.

Health Concerns: Sal reported that 2 committee programs; *A Candid Look at Autism* and *Barking up the Right Tree: Animal Assisted Therapy in the Library* have been approved for the 2017 Long Island Library Conference on May 4. Planning is still going on for *Barking up the Right Tree*.

Historian: Robert reported that *Ramblings* has been filed and everything is currently up to date.

Long Island History: Inez reported that the Program Showcase is still planned for April 27, 2017 at SCLS from 9:30 am – 12:00 pm.

The annual trip will be to the Three Village Historical Society in early June.

Long Island Reads: Beth reported that the committee is finalizing details and advertising for the Sunday, April 23 event with Erik Larson.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, March 8 at the Uniondale Public Library.

Media: No report this month. Currently looking for a replacement.

Member-at-Large: The new Member-at-Large is Ruby Marchetti – welcome!

Dates for the annual dinner are already being discussed. It was also agreed upon that the dinner should be changed to a lunch this year to give more people the opportunity to come. The tentative date is Tuesday, October 3 from 12:00 – 3:00 pm with a meeting to follow. The Health Concerns Breakfast would also be moved to November. The tentative date is Tuesday, November 14 with a meeting to follow.

Membership: Wendy reported that there are currently 159 members.

M.O.S.A.I.C.: The committee program *Naturalization One-to-One* has been accepted for the 2017

Long Island Library Conference on May 4. USCIS Immigration Officer Shyconia Burden will discuss the requirements to become a U.S. citizen, the test and naturalization and what's involved in the naturalization process.

New Adults: Lisetty reported that the last committee meeting at the Patchogue-Medford Library

about connecting with local musicians was a very good presentation. The committee program *Board Games at the Library* has also been accepted for the 2017 Long Island Library Conference on May 4. This program will give an overview of the board gaming and tabletop world, highlighting trends and the wide variety of games available. Librarians Tim Sicurella, Michael Buono and Brian Schwartz will also be discussing programming ideas, marketing to your audience and gaming on a budget.

The next meeting will be at the Brentwood Public Library on February 27, coffee at 9:30 am and meeting at 10:00 am.

O.A.R.S: Cindy reported the last committee meeting was at Sachem Library on January 11.

The next meeting will take place on February 15 at SCLS and they are trying to find a speaker.

PR and Marketing: Jo-Ann reported that the last committee meeting on January 23 went well. The link is up if you would like to see the presentations.

The PR and Marketing Committee and the Electronics Resources Committee is looking to have a joint meeting in which they will discuss how to hold a database or skills fair at your library. They are looking for libraries that have already done this or are planning to do so and if they would be interested in sharing their successes and failures at a meeting. The meeting is tentatively set for Thursday, March 30.

Joan is also working on something for the spring about videoing at your library.

Programs: Rose reported that she has received confirmation from the Long Island Library Conference Committee that the joint RASD/SCLA/NCLA program, *Are You Struggling to Promote Your Online Resources?* has been accepted and assigned a time slot from 3:00 – 4:00 pm in salons 4,5 & 6 at the Melville Marriot.

Rose has notified Nassau RASD president Cynthia Nielsen and confirmed with the speaker Nancy Dowd.

Ramblings: Wendy reported that the 2017 winter *Ramblings* issue was sent to the SCLA-Members listserv on Jan. 30. Many thanks to the committee members who submitted reports for the issue. A spring 2017 issue is being planned for March, and content submissions will be accepted on or before March 19. An emailed link to the spring issue's Google Doc will be sent to committee members shortly.

Reader's Advisory: Azuree reported that the last committee meeting was on Thursday, January 26 at SCLS. The topic was non-fiction. The blog will be updated soon.

The next committee meeting will be on April 27 at SCLS and the topic will be humor.

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 forward them to her. She has also started a page for professional development; if you have resources to include please let her know.

You can reach her at: wmiller@johnjerman.org

New Business: Lauren reported that SCLA is currently working on a social media policy.

Stephen's flyer for the RASD committees presenting at the 2017 Long Island Library Conference was approved.

Old Business: Lauren reported that NYLA is working on a membership survey to determine membership expectation and gain membership retention. More information to follow.

Make sure to get your reports to *Ramblings* and try to give your meetings a 30-day notice so it's easier for librarians to get approval to attend these meetings.

Upcoming meetings are scheduled on the following dates:

Tuesday, January 10, 2017, at SCLS in Bellport

Tuesday, February 7, 2017 at Bay Shore – Brightwaters Public Library

Tuesday, March 7, 2017 at SCLS in Bellport

Tuesday, April 4, 2017 at SCLS in Bellport

No May meeting: LI Library Conference on May 4, 2017

Tuesday, June 6, 2016 at Sag Harbor Public Library

No meeting in July

Tuesday, August 8, 2016 at Connetquot Public Library

September: Annual Dinner & Meeting

Thursday, October 3, 2017 at SCLS in Bellport

Tuesday, November 14, 2016 at SCLS in Bellport

Tuesday, December 5, 2016 at SCLS in Bellport

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

The meeting was closed at 11:04 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Katie McIntyre

