



NYLA Council Meeting

Thursday, December 13, 2019

3:00 PM to 4:30 PM

via Conference Call

NYLA President, Dr. Jennifer Cannell Presiding

In Attendance: Dr. Jen Cannell, *President*; Roger Reyes, *Treasurer*; Ryan Perry, *ASLS President*; Lisa Wemett, *FLS President*; Tim Furgal, *LAMS President*; Jean Currie, *LTA President*; Tara Thibault-Edmonds, *SSL President*; Stephanie Hartwell-Mandella, *Councilor-at-Large*; Stacey Rattner, *Councilor-at-Large*; Ana Canino-Fluit, *Councilor-at-Large*; Simone Yearwood, *Councilor-at-Large*; Cassie Guthrie, *ALA Chapter Councilor*; Jeremy Johannesen, *NYLA Executive Director (ex-officio)*

Absent: Michelle Young, *Immediate Past-President*; Claudia Depkin, *President-Elect*; Grace Riario, *Treasurer-Elect*; Kelly Yim, *PLS President*; Dana Sinclair, *RASS President*; Todd Schlitt, *SCLA Representative*; Rosemarie Gatzek, *SMART President*; Amanda Schiavulli, *YSS President*; Tom Vitale, *Councilor-at-Large*

Guests: Kelsey Dorado, *NYLA Director of Communication & Marketing*; Briana McNamee, *NYLA Director of Government Relations & Advocacy*

Council Meeting Agenda

1. Welcome / Review of Agenda
2. Approval of Minutes from November 13, 2019 NYLA Council Meeting

MOTION I: Motion to approve minutes from the November 13, 2019 Council Meeting with noted corrections.
Made by: Tim Furgal, Seconded by: Roger Reyes
Approved unanimously.

3. Approval of Minutes from the November 14, 2019 NYLA Annual Membership Meeting

MOTION II: Motion to approve the minutes from the November 14, 2019 Annual Membership Meeting with noted corrections.
Made by: Lisa Wemett, Seconded by: Cassie Guthrie
Approved unanimously.

4. Finance Report
 - a. October Monthly Statement

NYLA Treasurer, Roger Reyes, thoroughly reviewed the October Monthly report and addressed questions.

5. President's Update

NYLA President, Dr. Jen Cannell, gave an update on her travel throughout NYS. She has been reaching out to section board presidents about how she can better support them and work together.

6. Executive Director's Update

NYLA Executive Director, Jeremy Johannesen, gave two personnel updates as well as information on tech upgrades in the NYLA basement

- a. Briana McNamee started as Director of Government Relations & Advocacy on Monday, December 9, 2019
- b. Kelsey Dorado, Director of Communication & Marketing will be leaving NYLA, her last day being Friday, December 20, 2019. The position has been posted and will be filled expeditiously.
- c. NYLA received \$4K in support of tech upgrades from Lake Placid Educational Foundation. Collected quotes exceed the award total. PLS has agreed to provide \$2K in additional funding. The Executive Director will be soliciting the other sections for financial support for the endeavor.

7. Legislative Update

NYLA Legislative Committee Chair, Cassie Guthrie, requested an additional item, Public Library Trustee Education Requirements, be added to the NYLA Legislative agenda, pending approval by the NYLA Legislative Committee. Background about this issue was given and questions were addressed. Reminder of Advocacy Day on Tuesday, February 25, 2020 and Pre-Advocacy Day on Monday, February 24, 2020.

MOTION III: Motion to approve the addition of Public Library Trustee Education Requirements to 2020 NYLA Legislative Priorities, pending review and approval NYLA Legislative Committee.

Made by: Cassie Guthrie, Seconded by: Roger Reyes

Approved unanimously.

8. Unfinished Business

- a. St. Johns 2020 Dewey Scholar Nominee (Katie Ranno)

An explanation for the delay of the nomination was provided.

MOTION IV: Motion to approve Katie Ranno as the Dewey Scholar Nominee from St. John's University for 2020.

Made by: Roger Reyes, Seconded by: Stephanie Hartwell-Mandella

Approved unanimously.

- b. Continuing Education Operating Standards Update/Clarification

Questions about the implementation of the new Continuing Education Operating Standards were addressed.

9. New Business

- a. Library System Bulk Purchase Based on Blanketed Individual Membership

NYLA Executive Director, Jeremy Johannesen, gave background information on the proposed membership dues structure and questions were addressed. This item will be added to the agenda for the January 30, 2020 Council Meeting.

MOTION V: Motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:43 PM.

Made by: Tim Furgal, Seconded by: Stacey Rattner.

Approved unanimously.