NYLA Council Meeting MINUTES
Thursday, May 10 2012
11:00 AM to 3:00 PM
NYLA Office, Guilderland, NY
NYLA President, Matthew Bollerman, Presiding

In Attendance:
Matthew Bollerman, NYLA President; Carol Anne Germain, NYLA President-Elect; Marcia Eggleston, NYLA Immediate Past President; Christine MacDonald, Treasurer; Elaine Lasda Bergman, ASLS President; Tim Burke, LAMS President; Barbara Nichols-Randall, SMART President; Pauline Herr, SSL President; Joyce Laiosa, YSS President; Debby Emerson, Councilor-at-Large; Tom Bindeman, Councilor-at-Large; Paige Jaeger, Councilor-at-Large; Rebekkah Smith-Aldrich, Councilor-at-Large; Fran Roscello, SSL Representative; Jeremy Johannesen, Interim NYLA Executive Director (ex-officio)

Attending Remote via Webinar:
Sue Considine, PLS President; Mary Donohue, Councilor-at-Large; Ellen Rubin, Councilor-at-Large; Rocco Staino, ALA Councilor-at-Large

Absent:
Kelly Yim, RASS President

Council Meeting Agenda

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Approval of Agenda

   MOTION I: Motion to approve the meeting agenda as submitted.
   Made by: Ellen Rubin Seconded by: Joyce Laiosa
   Approved unanimously.

3. Approval of Minutes from February 9, 2012 NYLA Council Meeting

   MOTION II: Motion to approve the February 9, 2012 NYLA Council Meeting minutes as submitted.
   Made by: Tim Burke Seconded by: Marcia Eggleston
   Approved unanimously.

4. Finance Report

   a. March Financial Statement / Report
   b. Proposed Budget Amendments

   MOTION III: Motion to accept the amendments to the NYLA FY 2011-12 budget as proposed by the Finance Committee.
- Add Center for the Book Income of $3000 and Expenses of $3000
- Increase Temporary Services to $12,000 (+$1,600)
- Increase Advocacy Initiatives to $16,000 to reflect actual expenses (+$8,000)
- Decrease Salaries to $299,574 (-$9600)

Made by: Debby Emerson  Seconded by: Barbara Nichols Randall
Approved unanimously.

c. Consolidation of Vitality & Endowment Funds/Renaming of Fund

Finance Committee Chair, Christine MacDonald, reminded the Council of a 2003 motion that eliminated the NYLA Vitality Fund and confirmed that the NYLA staff would now be implementing the consolidation of funds into the NYLA Endowment Fund as approved by that previous motion.

An open call to the Council was issued for suggestions for a new name for the NYLA Endowment Fund. A new name will be voted on at the September 2012 Council meeting.

d. Establishment of the Empire State Center for the Book Fund

MOTION IV: Motion to establish a Council-restricted fund under the name “Empire State Center for the Book Fund” to be governed by the attached policies, as proposed by the Finance Committee.
Made by: Rocco Staino  Seconded by: Carol Anne Germain
Approved unanimously.

e. Transfer of investment management service – Empire/Four Square

MOTION V: Motion to transfer the management of NYLA’s invested accounts from Empire Asset Management to AllSquare Wealth Management, remaining with account representative Dan Weinberg, at the revised commission rate of .080%.
Made by: Christine MacDonald  Seconded by: Marcia Eggleston
Approved unanimously.

An update was offered on the status of the previously approved refinancing of the NYLA building mortgage, which remains in process and is expected to be approved by July 2012.

5. President’s Report – see written report.

6. President-Elect’s and Past-President’s Report

President-Elect Carol Anne Germain has begun planning for the 2013 NYLA Conference. Theme will be “Libraries Spark Imagination”
A request for a proclamation naming October as Information Literacy Month has been submitted to the legislature.

Past-President Marcia Eggleston – see written report.

7. Interim Executive Director’s Report


Update: Between writing the report and this meeting, NYLA’s Interim Executive Director was approached by the Nassau Library Association requesting a proposal for services mirroring those being discussed with the Suffolk Library Association.
**MOTION VI:** Motion to establish a taskforce to explore and develop the concept of affiliated regional chapters.
Made by: Christine McDonald Seconded by: Rebekkah Smith Aldrich
Approved unanimously.

Note – Ellen Rubin, Christine MacDonald, and Rebekkah Smith Aldrich volunteered to participate in the taskforce.

b. SSL Affiliate Accounting Services – see written report.

Update: Between writing the report and this meeting, the NYLA Interim Executive Director met with the SSL Finance Committee to discuss the proposal. SSL has agreed to pursue a pilot test of the model under which NYLA will manage the 2013 SSL Spring Conference account. Based on the results of the pilot, the model will be considered for expansion to the SSL affiliates.

It was noted that when piloting this program, the cost should be tracked to ensure that it is considered when exploring the possible expansion of the service.

**MOTION VII:** Motion to approve the proposal for NYLA to provide accounting services to SSL regional affiliates.
Made by: Marcia Eggleston Seconded By: Tim Burke
Approved unanimously.

8. Conference Report

NYLA’s Annual Conference will take place in Saratoga Springs, at the Hilton Hotel, Wednesday, November 7 through Saturday, November 10. The Keynote Address will be delivered by David Weinberger from Harvard. Rebecca Stead will be the Farewell Luncheon speaker. Planning for the CE workshops and conference programs is well underway. The Scholarship Bash will take place at the Saratoga National Golf Club. Registration for Trade Show exhibitors’ space is on pace with last year.

9. Committee Reports
   a. New Member Engagement Subcommittee/Dissolution of New Members Roundtable

After extensive work with the New Members Roundtable (NMRT) president Mary Linder and Membership Committee Chair Brian Hildreth, it was agreed to dissolve the NMRT and to create a New Member Engagement Subcommittee to operate under the Membership Committee.

**MOTION VIII:** Motion to accept motions submitted by the Board of the New Members Roundtable to dissolve and transfer their remaining funds to the New Member Engagement Subcommittee.
Made by: Tim Burke Seconded by: Barbara Nichols Randall
Approved unanimously.

10. Section and Roundtable Reports – see written reports.

11. ALA Councilor Report – see written report.

12. Unfinished Business

13. Executive Session

**MOTION IX:** Motion to enter executive session at 1:38 PM.
Executive Session addressed review of the search process for the new executive director and review of the proposed FY 2012-13 budget.

**MOTION X:** Motion to suspend executive session at 2:23 PM.
Made by: Tom Bindeman Seconded by: Debby Emerson
Approved unanimously.

14. New Business
   a. Approval of 2012 NYLA Council Slate of Candidates

**MOTION XI:** Motion to approve the slate of candidates for the 2012 NYLA Council Election as submitted by the nominating committee.
Made by: Fran Roscello Seconded by: Barbara Nichols Randall
Approved unanimously.

NYLA President
Sara Kelly Johns
Cathie Marriott

Councilor-at-Large 2012-2015
Sue Considine
Frank McKenna

Councilor-at-Large 2012-2015
John Shaloiko
Marcy Strong

NYLA Treasurer-Elect
Timothy Burke
Geoff Kirkpatrick

b. Proposed FY 2012-13 Budget/Approval

**MOTION XII:** Motion to accept version one of the two proposed budgets as presented.
Made by: Barbara Nichols Randall Seconded by: Tom Bindeman
Approved unanimously.

15. Next Council Meetings
    September 13th at NYLA office
    November 7th at NYLA Conference in Saratoga Springs

**MOTION XIII:** Motion to adjourn the May 10, 2012 NYLA Council Meeting at 2:34 PM.
Made by: Carol Anne Germain Seconded by: Tom Bindeman
Approved unanimously.
Attachments:
March 2012 Financial Statement
Empire State Center for the Book Fund Policies
President’s Report
Past President’s Report
Interim Executive Director’s Report
NYLA Regional Chapter Proposal
NYLA SSL Affiliate Accounting Services Proposal
NMRT Proposal/Motions
Section and Roundtable Reports
Proposed FY 2012-13 Budget