NYLA Council Meeting
Thursday, September 18, 2014
3:00 PM – 4:30 PM
via Conference Call
NYLA President, Sara Kelly Johns, Presiding

In Attendance: Sara Kelly Johns, NYLA President; Geoff Kirkpatrick, NYLA President-Elect; Carol Anne Germain, NYLA Immediate Past President; Tim Burke, Treasurer; Karen Gardner-Athey, ASLS President; Sara Dallas, PLS President; Ann Penwarden, SMART President; Karen Sperrazza, SSL President; Chrissie Morrison, YSS President; Sheryl Knab, Councilor-at-Large; Charlie Kelly, Councilor-at-Large; Rebekkah Smith-Aldrich, Councilor-at-Large; Sue Considine, Councilor-at-Large; Rocco Staino, ALA Chapter Councilor; Todd Schlitt, SCLA representative; Jeremy Johannesen, NYLA Executive Director (ex-officio)

Absent: Gillian Thorpe, LAMS President; Monica Kuryla, RASS President; Marcy Strong, Councilor-at-Large; Paige Jaeger, Councilor-at-Large

Council Meeting Minutes

1. Welcome and Review of Agenda
2. Approval of Minutes from August 7, 2014 NYLA Council Meeting

MOTION I: Motion to approve the minutes of the August 7, 2014 Council Meeting, with edits as discussed.
Made by: Charlie Kelly, Seconded by: Karen Sperrazza
All in favor with the exceptions of Tim Burke and Carol Anne Germain who abstained.
Motion Approved.

Note: Edits to include correction of LAMS 2014 Dewey Fellow nomination to Kristin Charles-Scaringi, Reference Librarian, Kingston Library

3. Finance Report

NYLA Treasurer Tim Burke reviewed the July Financial Statement.
Report reflects just one month of the fiscal year, equal to 8.3% of the year.
For July income exceeded budget and expenses were below budget.
The FY2013-14 audit is underway with the report to be presented at the November Council meeting.

4. President Update

NYLA President Sara Kelly Johns reported on recent activities, including attendance at the Uncommon Approaches to the Common Core conference. The summary and implementation timeline of the outcomes from the 2014 School Librarian Summit have been posted to both the NYLA and SED websites. In preparation for the upcoming School Librarian Bill in the pending Legislative Session, SSL has begun preparing a position paper.
5. Executive Director’s Update

NYLA Executive Director Jeremy Johannesen reviewed current activities:
- Membership and Conference Registration both performing well
- Digital Literacy Program - Extension of Program to 1-31-15 Approval Anticipated
- Ongoing need for Section submission to e-Bulletin

6. Legislative Update

NYLA Executive Director Jeremy Johannesen reviewed the outcomes of the August 27 Legislative Committee Meeting. The following items are expected to appear on the 2015 Legislative Agenda
- Full Funding for Library Aid of $102.4 M
- Elementary School Librarian Bill
- Permanent Exception for Libraries to the MTA Payroll Tax
- Taxpayer Access to Publicly Funded Research Bill

7. Unfinished Business
   a. NYLA Awards: Dewey Fellows / Outstanding Advocate / Outstanding Service / Bobinski Award

Immediate Past President and Awards Committee Chair, Carol Anne Germain presented the recommendations of the Awards Committee.

NYLA Outstanding Advocate Award: Two nominations received.

**MOTION II:** Motion to approve the Awards Committee recommendation to approve the nomination of Robert Hubsher for the NYLA Outstanding Advocate for 2014.
Made by: Sara Dallas, Seconded by: Tim Burke
Approved unanimously.

NYLA Outstanding Service Award: Four nominations received.

**MOTION III:** Motion to approve the Awards Committee recommendation to approve the nomination of Matthew Bollerman for the NYLA Outstanding Service for 2014.
Made by: Tim Burke, Seconded by: Sheryl Knab
Approved unanimously.

Mary Bobinski Innovative Public Library Director Award: Four nominations received.

**MOTION IV:** Motion to approve the Awards Committee recommendation to approve the nomination of Patricia Uttaro for the NYLA Mary Bobinski Innovative Public Library Director Award for 2014.
Made by: Ann Penwarden, Seconded by: Sheryl Knab
Approved unanimously.

8. New Business
   a. Review of Outcomes from Strategic Planning Retreat

The outcomes of the 2014 NYLA Strategic Plan were reviewed. Edits were proposed and discussed. It was determined that all edits would be directed to the Retreat participants to incorporate into the working document.
**MOTION V:** Motion to accept the draft Strategic Planning Outcomes for distribution and review by NYLA Section Boards and NYLA members.
Made by: Karen Sperrazza, Seconded by: Chrissie Morrison
Approved unanimously.

**MOTION VI:** Motion to adjourn the August 18, 2014 NYLA Council Meeting at 4:11 PM.
Made by: Sara Dallas, Seconded by: Carol Anne Germain
Approved unanimously.