



NYLA Council Meeting

Thursday, August 1, 2019

11:00 AM – 4:00 PM

NYLA Office, Guilderland, NY

NYLA Past President, Tim Burke Presiding

In Attendance: Tim Burke, *NYLA Immediate Past-President*; Jen Cannell, *NYLA President-Elect*; Cassie Guthrie, *Treasurer*; Roger Reyes, *Treasurer-Elect*; Beth Lathrop, *ASLS President*; Lisa Wemett, *FLS President*; Sarah Clark, *PLS President*; Brian Hasbrouck, *RASS President*; Jill Leinung, *Councilor-at-Large*; Stacey Rattner, *Councilor-at-Large*; Tom Vitale, *Councilor-at-Large*; Todd Schlitt, *SCLA Representative*; Jennifer Ferriss, *ALA Chapter Councilor*; Jeremy Johannesen, *NYLA Executive Director (ex-officio)*

Attending via Web-Conference: Michelle Young, *NYLA President*; Amanda Perrine, *LAMS President*

Absent: Edward Elsner, *SMART President*; Jennifer 'Charlie' Kelly, *SSL President*; Lisa Neuman, *YSS President*; Sandra Michele Echols, *Councilor-at-Large*; Jane Verostek, *Councilor-at-Large*

Resigned: As of July 5, Lauren Moore resigned as *Councilor-at-Large*

Guests: Kelsey Dorado, *NYLA Director of Communication & Marketing*

Council Meeting Minutes

1. Welcome / Review of Agenda
2. Executive Session to Discuss a Personnel Matter

MOTION I: Motion to enter Executive Session at 11:04AM to discuss a personnel matter, with the request that Jeremy Johannesen remain as a guest of the Council.

Made by: Cassie Guthrie, Seconded by: Jen Cannell

Approved unanimously.

MOTION II: Motion to suspend Executive Session at 11:26AM.

Made by: Cassie Guthrie, Seconded by: Jill Leinung

Approved unanimously.

3. Approval of Minutes from June 13, 2019 NYLA Council Meeting

MOTION III: Motion to approve the minutes from the June 13, 2019 Council Meeting.

Made by: Jen Ferriss, Seconded by: Jill Leinung

Approved unanimously.

MOTION IV: Motion to approve the minutes from the July 15, 2019 Council Executive Committee Meeting.

Made by: Cassie Guthrie, Seconded by: Tom Vitale

Approved unanimously.

4. Finance Report

a. June 2019 Monthly Statement

NYLA Treasurer, Cassie Guthrie, reviewed her report on the June statement, and addressed questions.

5. Unfinished Business

a. NYLA Conference Code of Conduct

Amanda Perrine presented the Code of Conduct written by the NYLA Code of Conduct Task Force. The task force was commended on their work and there was a discussion of the policy. There was a specific discussion about clarifying that the policy applies to all NYLA units and their events. {Task Force Members: Amanda Perrine, Jennifer Ferris, Sandra Michelle Echols} The task force will present a recommendation for implementation procedures by September 15.

MOTION V: Motion to adopt the Code of Conduct, with technical corrections as discussed.

Made by: NYLA Code of Conduct Task Force, Seconded by: Tom Vitale

Approved unanimously.

6. New Business

a. Recommendations from the NYLA Awards Committee for 2019

- i. Outstanding Service to Libraries
- ii. Outstanding Advocate for Libraries
- iii. Bobinski Innovative Public Library Director

Confirmation of the Outstanding Service to Libraries, Outstanding Advocate for Libraries, and Bobinski Innovative Library Director awards will be deferred to the September 12, 2019 meeting.

iv. Dewey Fellowships (ASLS, SMART, SSL, YSS)

The nominees for SMART, SSL, and YSS Dewey Fellowships were presented and discussed. ASLS does not plan to put forward a nominee.

MOTION VI: Motion to approve the awarding of Dewey Fellowships to; John Meyers representing SMART, Ellen Frank representing SSL, and Mary Ferris representing YSS.

Made by: Lisa Wemett, Seconded by: Sarah Clark

Approved unanimously.

b. Update on Library Trustees Association / Options

NYLA Executive Director, Jeremy Johannesen informed the NYLA Council that the Library Trustees Association (LTA) plans on beginning the process to become a NYLA section. Jeremy then reviewed the process of how new sections are formed and what the transition would look like.

c. ALA-EDI Statement Endorsement

NYLA Executive Director, Jeremy Johannesen explained the importance of the American Library Associations' 2019 Statement on Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Statement and answered questions.

MOTION VII: Motion to endorse the American Library Associations' 2019 Statement on Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Statement.

Made by: Jen Ferriss, Seconded by: Stacey Rattner

Approved unanimously.

d. ALA-Lynda-LinkedIn Patron Privacy Statement

There was discussion about the Lynda-LinkedIn merger and questions were addressed. As ALA is actively working to address this issue, the NYLA Council will defer action.

e. ALA e-Book Purchasing Statement

Action was deferred until more information is available, ALA is also working to address this issue.

f. NYLA Election Procedures / Renewal Procedures

NYLA Executive Director, Jeremy Johannesen reviewed the election and renewal procedures of NYLA. There was discussion about how to better promote the election and the surrounding procedures, e.g. being a member prior to the start of voting. The procedures were reviewed and reaffirmed.

g. Executive Director Evaluation Discussion

MOTION VIII: Motion to enter Executive Session at 1:17PM for the purpose of discussion of the Executive Director's evaluation.

Made by: Tom Vitale, Seconded by: Jen Cannell

Approved unanimously.

MOTION IX: Motion to suspend Executive Session at 2:08 PM.

Made by: Cassie Guthrie, Seconded by: Jen Cannell

Approved unanimously.

7. Executive Committee Reports

a. President's Report

NYLA President, Michelle Young gave an update on her visits to two correctional facilities, and their libraries.

b. President-Elect's Report

NYLA President-Elect reviewed her written report.

c. Immediate Past President's report

NYLA Immediate Past President, Tim Burke gave an update on his work, including nominating and awards committees and the Executive Director evaluation.

8. Executive Director's Report

NYLA Executive Director, Jeremy Johannesen reviewed his written report and answered questions. In addition to his written report, Jeremy added that Lauren Moore has resigned her post as NYLA Councilor-at-Large and a special election will be held to fill the vacancy for the remainder of her term.

9. Legislative Update

NYLA Executive Director, Jeremy Johannesen reviewed the submitted legislative update and answered questions.

10. Section / Round Table / ALA / Committee Reports

Each section representative present reviewed their written report.

MOTION X: Motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:05PM.

Made by: Tom Vitale, Seconded by: Brian Hasbrouck

Approved unanimously.