Minutes

1. **Introduction/Roll Call**

   a. Fred Gitner            Queens Library    fgitner@queenslibrary.org
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   c. Cathy Chen             Queens Library    xchen@queenslibrary.org
   d. Jay Dela Cruz          Queens Library    jdelacruz@queenslibrary.org
   e. Lindsay Davis          Mastics-Moriches-Shirley Community Library
                            ldavis@communitylibrary.org
   f. Indira Mukherjee       Queens Library    imukherjee@queenslibrary.org
   g. Dipa Thakkar           Finkelstein Memorial Library  dthakkar@rcls.org
   h. Irina Kuharets         Finkelstein Memorial Library  irinakuharets@gmail.com
   i. Selina Sharmin         Queens Library    ssharmin@queenslibrary.org
   j. Wilma Glover-Koomson   Haverstraw King's Daughters Public Library  kakigkooms@rcls.org
   k. Brigid Cahalan         Hackensack Public Library  brigid264@gmail.com
   l. Manny Figueroa         Queens Library    mfigueroa@queenslibrary.org
   m. Tata Cañuelas          White Plains Library  tcanuelas@whiteplainslibrary.org

2. **Minutes from October 13, 2017 Membership Meeting – will be distributed by Manny at a later date**
3. **Financial Report**

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<td><strong>Beginning Balance as of July 1, 2016</strong></td>
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4. **President’s Report**

**Communication**
- Try & bring more members to ESRT
- Do outreach to NYPL & BPL
- Tata’s email expressing desire to resign from position due to personal issues. A motion was made and seconded to affirm and welcome Tata as the incoming president. Approved with 2 abstentions.
- New Officers
  - Vice-President/President-elect: Cathy Chen
  - Secretary: Jay Dela Cruz
  - Treasurer: Fred Gitner
  - Member-at-Large: Manny Figueroa

**New Business**
- 4 new members
- email Lois Powell ([membership@nyla.org](mailto:membership@nyla.org)) to get the complete list of ESRT members
- email NYLA to assign a new webmaster for nyla.org/esrt website
- ESRT Facebook page administrator is Manny Figueroa
- Deadline for program ideas – December 2017
- Curators Meeting @ NYLA HQ, February 2018 – Tata & Cathy will be attending
- 100 pens/stylus and 50 flashlights promotional items) were ordered from pens.com. Will arrive within a week
- Fred Gitner went to the Treasurer’s Meeting. He confirmed that all reimbursements must be signed by the treasurer. In the absence of the treasurer the president may sign, once both signatures are on file with NYLA. When requesting reimbursement, you must sign the original receipt prior to submitting it to the Treasurer.
Passing of the Gavel to Tata Canuelas

- Possible dates for future 2018 meetings: January/February, April/May, September, November (at NYLA conference in Rochester).
- Bibliographies – ESRT Bibliographies on different subjects
- Think of topics of interest
- 2018 program ideas:
  a. Immigrant Mental Health
  b. Refugees focus
  c. Local person talking about underground railroad
  d. Ethnic population data

Meeting adjourned 6:46 PM

Prepared by: Jay Dela Cruz, ESRT Secretary