Agenda:

- **Welcome & Introductions**
  1. Rio Aucena  
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  2. Indira Mukherjee  
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  3. Jo-Ann Wong  
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  4. Fred Gitner  
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  5. Madellen Garcia  
     madellen.garcia@queenslibrary.org (Queens Public Library)
  6. Manny Figueroa  
     mfigueroa@queenslibrary.org (Queens Public Library)
  7. Lindsay Davis  
     ldavis@communitylibrary.org (Mastics-Moriches-Shirley Community Library)
  8. Victoria Kowanetz  
     victoria.kowanetz@queenslibrary.org (Queens Public Library)
  9. Jay Dela Cruz  
     jdelacruz@queenslibrary.org (Queens Public Library)

- **Approval of NYLA Membership Meeting Minutes**
  Date: Friday, August 20, 2021  
  Location: Virtual  
  Time: 2pm  
  Motion made by Fred to approve minutes with amendment to Treasurer’s Report. Opening balance corrected to $4,309.51. Closing balance corrected to $4,319.51. Motion seconded by Manny. Minutes approved unanimously with amendments.

- **Presentation of Newly Elected, Incoming and Continuing Officers for 2021-2022**
  Indira Mukherjee – Vice President/President-Elect  
  Madellen Garcia – Secretary  
  Fred Gitner – Treasurer (Re-elected)  
  Victoria Kowanetz – Member-At-Large  
  Sarah Gluck and Jo-Ann Wong – Continuing Members-at-Large  
  Rio Aucena – Incoming President  
  Jay Dela Cruz – Immediate Past President

- **Treasurer’s Report**
  Fred Gitner  

  **Opening Balance, July 1st, 2020:**  
  $4,239.51

  **Income**
  Dues: July ‘20-June ‘21  
  $ 270.00

  **Expenses**
  $ 190.00
  Conference Expenses  
  Virtual Booth Rental (Nov. ‘20-charged Apr. ‘21) $ 50.00  
  Scav. Hunt Gift Cards (Nov. ‘20-charged Jan. ‘21) $ 140.00

  **Closing Balance** June 30, 2021  
  $4,319.51
• **Publications Committee/Bibliography Committee Status Update**  
  **Jo-Ann Wong and Lindsay Davis**  
The start of the ESRT newsletter has been pushed back, and will hopefully begin in January 2022.

• **Membership/Public Relations Committee Status Update**  
  **Kacper Jarecki and Indira Mukherjee**  
  Kacper was unable to make the meeting however, he sent an email with the following information:

  - Online trivia – Possibly Friday, November 12th, or November 19th @ 8pm. November is National American Indian Heritage Month and October was Global Diversity Awareness Month. We decided to do online trivia on November 19th, 2021 @ 8pm. Jay will send the information to Kacper.

  - Possible in-person meet up in the future at the Kristin Mann Library, where Vijay is the head librarian, or December 4-5, visit to Hartford, CT to see Selina and the Mark Twain House and Museum. Fred believes it is too soon to do in-person visits; the Spring might be a better alternative. Fred mentioned the possibility of the World Languages Collection at the newly opened NYPL Stavros Niarchos Foundation Library (SNFL) (formerly Mid-Manhattan Library). We can also do virtual visits. Any suggestions should be sent to Kacper (kacperjarecki@gmail.com).

• **Bylaws Task Force Update**  
  **Fred Gitner, Kacper Jarecki, and Indira Mukherjee**  
  Fred will work on completing revisions.

• **Combating Racism Series 2021 Update**  
  **Jo-Ann Wong**  
The series was going to start in September, however it will be moved to sometime in late Winter/early Spring. The change in start time will possibly allow for larger attendance than in the past. All of the speakers from the previous series said they would come back. There is a possibility of holding the series on a monthly or bi-monthly basis, instead of a weekly basis with 5-6 programs included.

• **Brian G. Martin Professional Development Award Update**  
  **Manny Figueroa**  
  Nothing to report; no one applied for the award.

• **Brainstorming of Ideas for NYLA 2022 Conference, Saratoga Springs**

  Reinventing Ethnic Services in the New Normal – since we weren’t able to present this program at this year’s conference, we can possibly present it at the 2022 Conference.

  Immigrant Legal Services including citizenship.

  Combating Racism Series reflections – panelists can discuss the outcomes of the two Combating Racism series that have been held.

  Queens Memory/Queens College – Racial equity and diversity in higher education.

  QPL President’s Commission on Racial Equality (PCRE) Collections Committee diversity audit outcomes

  Latinx issues- possible joint program with REFORMA
• **Old Business/New Business**
  Nothing to report.

• **Schedule of Next Membership meeting**
  Tentative date: Friday, January 28, 2022 @ 2pm
  Location: Virtual

• Motion to adjourn the meeting by Fred. Seconded by Indira. Meeting Adjourned at 5:13pm.

Prepared by **Victoria Kowanetz, Secretary**
Edited by **Fred Gitner, Treasurer**