



## **NYLA Council Meeting**

Thursday, March 15, 2018

3:00 PM to 4:30 PM

Via Conference Call

NYLA President, Tim Burke, Presiding

**In Attendance:** Tim Burke, *NYLA President*; Michelle Young, *NYLA President-Elect*; Cassie Guthrie, *Treasurer*; Roger Reyes, *Treasurer-Elect*; Rebecca Fuss, *FLS President*; Deanna DiCarlo, *PLS President*; Julia Schult, *RASS President*; Laura Osterhout, *SMART President*; Laura Panter, *YSS President*; Jill Leinung, *Councilor-at-Large*; Grace Riario, *Councilor-at-Large*; Lauren Moore, *Councilor-at-Large*; Stacey Rattner, *Councilor-at-Large*; Sandra Michele Echols, *Councilor-at-Large*; Elaine Lasda, *Councilor-at-Large*; Jennifer Ferriss, *ALA Chapter Councilor*; Jeremy Johannesen, *NYLA Executive Director (ex-officio)*

**Absent:** Barbara Stripling, *NYLA Immediate Past-President*; Jessica Clemons, *ASLS President*; AnnaLee Giraldo, *LAMS President*; Penny Sweeney, *SSL President*; Todd Schlitt, *SCLA Representative*

**Guest:** Karen Gardner-Athey, *Member of Nominating Committee*

## **Council Meeting Minutes**

1. Welcome / Review of Agenda
2. Approval of Minutes from the February 1, 2018 NYLA Council Meeting

**MOTION I:** Motion to approve the minutes from the February 1, 2018 NYLA Council Meeting as presented.

Made by: Julia Schult, Seconded by: Laura Panter

Approved by all present with the exception of Michelle Young who abstained.

3. Finance Report
  - a. January Monthly Statement

NYLA Treasurer Cassie Guthrie reviewed the January Financial Statement. Noted was the inclusion of the roof replacement expense in the building maintenance line, which will be adjusted at the close of the fiscal year, and the discrepancy between budget and actual on both income and expense on schedule C – Annual Conference – which was approximately \$13K on both items.

- b. Review of FY18-19 Budget Process

The NYLA Treasurer, Treasurer-Elect and the Executive Director will craft a draft budget that will be distributed to the NYLA Council no less than two weeks prior to the May meeting. The draft budget will be addressed and presented for approval at the May meeting.

4. President's Update

NYLA President Tim Burke reviewed his recent activities including:

- The record setting (1000+) attendance at Library Advocacy Day 2018
- Visit to UAlbany MLS Students Group meeting
- Participation in the Conference Curators meeting (3/12/18)
- Planned regional visits in Rochester, Buffalo, and the Capital District in Spring 2018

## 5. Executive Director's Update

NYLA Executive Director Jeremy Johannesen provided organizational updates including:

- The intake of the Suffolk County Library System as a bulk membership participant
- The installation of the new phone system
- A grant from Spectrum (Charter Communications) to underwrite the placement of 25 WiFi routers in libraries in need.
- Participation at ALA Mid-Winter in Denver and the SSL/PLS partnership investigations that were sparked
- The development of a YSS specific leadership academy
- The development of 12 minute 'brief-inars' – on demand webinars

## 6. Legislative Update

NYLA Executive Director Jeremy Johannesen reported on the release of the "one house" budget bills, which propose restoration of the Governor's cut to Library Aid, and also include a proposed historic investment in the library construction program of \$50M. Efforts to ensure these proposals 'stick' in the final budget are ongoing.

## 7. Unfinished Business

- a. None

## 8. New Business

- a. Approval of the 2018 NYLA Council Election Slate

Karen Gardner-Athey, member of the Nominating Committee, presented the proposed slate for the 2018 NYLA Council election:

President-Elect:	Jen Cannell Michelle Miller
Councilor Representing Public Libraries:	Jen Bollerman Tom Vitale
Councilor Representing Academic/Special Libraries:	Ryan Perry Jane Verostek

**MOTION II:** Motion to approve the 2018 NYLA Council slate as presented.

Made by: Nominating Committee, Seconded by: Michelle Young.

Approved unanimously.

- b. Request for Intellectual Freedom Committee (IFC) Charge Revision

Chair of the Intellectual Freedom Committee, Sara Dallas, submitted a written request for revisions to the IFC committee charge. The requested changes were reviewed by Council, with some minor edits made for clarity. The adjusted charge reads:

The Intellectual Freedom Committee of NYLA works to educate NYLA members and other partners of the organization, elected officials, and community leaders about issues related to intellectual freedom. Specifically, the Intellectual Freedom Committee shall:

- 1) Keep abreast of IF issues and legislation inside and outside of NYS.
- 2) Act in concert with the Legislative Committee of NYLA to analyze and, as needed, act upon legislation that might have an impact on Intellectual Freedom.
- 3) Function as a liaison to ALA Office of Intellectual Freedom and promote OIF support, resources and services for use by NY librarians, trustees and friends, etc.
- 4) Administer the NYLA Intellectual Freedom Award.

**MOTION III:** Motion to approve the revised charge for the NYLA Intellectual Freedom Committee as presented with minor edits as discussed.

Made by: Cassie Guthrie, Seconded by: Grace Riario.

Approved unanimously.

c. Executive Director Evaluation Process Update

NYLA President Time Burke reported on the ongoing efforts of the working group that is addressing the evaluation process. The format remains under development with updates coming as soon as they are available.

**MOTION IV:** Motion to adjourn the March 15, 2018 NYLA Council Meeting at 3:50 PM

Made by: Grace Riario, Seconded by: Julia Schult

Approved unanimously.