



NYLA Council Meeting

Thursday, September 14, 2017

3:00 PM to 4:30 PM

Via Conference Call

NYLA President, Barbara Stripling Presiding

In Attendance: Barbara Stripling, *NYLA President*; Debby Emerson, *NYLA Immediate Past-President*; Claudia Depkin, *Treasurer*; Cassie Guthrie, *Treasurer-Elect*; Michelle Young, *ASLS President*; Janet Kreason, *FLS President*; Barbara Madonna, *LAMS President*; Dan Hubbs, *PLS President*; Christian Zabriskie, *RASS President*; Nancy Howe, *SMART President*; Michelle Miller, *SSL President*; Christina Ryan Linder, *YSS President*; Rebecca Lubin, *Councilor-at-Large*; Sandra Michele Echols, *Councilor-at-Large*; Jill Leinung, *Councilor-at-Large*; Jennifer Ferriss, *ALA Chapter Councilor*; Jeremy Johannesen, *NYLA Executive Director (ex-officio)*

Absent: Tim Burke, *NYLA President-Elect*; Grace Riario, *Councilor-at-Large*; Elaine Lasda, *Councilor-at-Large*; Sue Kowalski, *Councilor-at-Large*; Todd Schlitt, *SCLA Representative*

Council Meeting Minutes

1. Welcome / Review of Agenda
2. Approval of Minutes from the August 10, 2017 NYLA Council Meeting

MOTION I: Motion to approve the minutes from the August 10, 2017 NYLA Council Meeting as amended.

Made by: Claudia Depkin, Seconded by: Debby Emerson

Approved unanimously.

3. Finance Report
 - a. July Monthly Statement

NYLA Treasurer Claudia Depkin reviewed the July Financial Statement, which represents just 8% of the fiscal year. There is little to be discerned from just one month's numbers, conference registration (income) is performing well.

4. President's Update

NYLA President Barbara Stripling provided updates on:

- The ongoing work that has germinated from the Academic Library Summit, including the development of five working groups (Value of Academic & Special Libraries in NY; Collection Building for Today & Tomorrow; Digital Preservation; Research, Data Management & Curation; Developing Tomorrow's Academic Librarians);
- The Everyday Advocacy Task Force's efforts, and their planned conference program;
- The outstanding efforts of the Legislative and Continuing Education Committees during the last year.
- Plans for the distribution of a survey to assess the impact on professional practice of participation in the NYLA conference.

5. Executive Director's Update

NYLA Executive Director Jeremy Johannesen provided updates on:

- As of August, membership has now surpassed 6,000 – and organizational memberships have surpassed 500;
- Conference registration is on pace to match or exceed 2016;
- The Lake Placid Foundation awarded NYLA \$10K in support of the Dewey Scholarship and Fellowship programs;
- Outreach to the New York Black Librarians Caucus has been done to partner with the organization to identify an appropriate recipient for the recently established NYLA Diversity Conference Scholarship. The Caucus will be holding a meeting on September 16 and will forward their selected recipient on to the NYLA office.

MOTION II: Motion to accept the recommendation of the New York Black Librarians Caucus for the recipient of the NYLA Diversity Conference Scholarship for 2017.

Made by: Barbara Madonna, Seconded by: Michelle Young

Approved unanimously.

6. Legislative Update

NYLA Executive Director Jeremy Johannesen provided a brief Legislative update, including the activities of the Legislative Committee, the development of the 2018 Legislative Agenda, and the recent signing into law of the 'Love Your Library Tax Check-Off' bill. The bill will include a means for individuals to donate to the 'Love Your Library Fund' when completing their NYS income tax returns.

7. Unfinished Business

a. Outstanding Advocate for Libraries

A single nomination for the Outstanding Advocate for Libraries has been identified. Director of the Nassau Library System, Jackie Thresher, has put forward a nomination for Assemblywoman Michaelle Solages, in relation to her work as a member of the Assembly Libraries Committee, and serving as sponsor of the School Librarians bill.

MOTION III: Motion to approve the nomination of Assemblywoman Michaelle Solages as the recipient of the 2017 NYLA Outstanding Advocate for Libraries Award.

Made by: Debby Emerson, Seconded by: Jill Leinung

Approved unanimously.

8. New Business

a. Disaster Relief Fund Request – Amsterdam Free Library

The appeal to the Disaster Relief Fund from the Amsterdam Free Library was discussed.

MOTION IV: Motion to award \$1500 from the Disaster Relief Fund to the Amsterdam Free Library in Amsterdam, NY.

Made by: Michelle Young, Seconded by: Christian Zabriskie

Approved unanimously.

MOTION V: Motion to adjourn the September 14, 2017 NYLA Council Meeting at 3:47 PM

Made by: Michelle Young, Seconded by: Barbara Madonna

Approved unanimously.