LAMS Board Meeting
Thursday May 12, 2016
Mid Hudson Library System, Poughkeepsie, NY

Meeting called to order: 10:30


New Business: Claudia Depkin graciously tendered her resignation from the LAMS Board. Annalee motioned to accept it and Barbara seconded. Motion approved by the Board.

Approval of the February 17 meeting minutes. Jen moved to accept the minutes, Annalee seconded. Minutes approved.

Treasurer’s Report:
Ed reported a year to date balance of $10,343.09.

Electronic Votes:
No electronic votes.

NYLA Liaison Reports

Council: (Frank)
Phone meeting - highlights;
• Adopt a new deficit budget of $50,000.
• Library Bill of Rights will be emphasized. Discussion.
• Social media policy adopted. It will be posted on the NYLA website.
• Possible increase in membership dues.
• Slate for new officers.

Legislative Committee (Lauren)
• Budget discussion
• NY Senator Hugh Farley resigns. He was a longtime and effective advocate for libraries.
• School library bill killed by NYS Superintendents.

Membership (Julie)
• Organizational membership is a priority to help increase current LAMS membership.
• 502 current LAMS members.
• Quarterly member profiles. They will pick a person or organization to be profiled.
• 408 institutional members as of April 1, 2016.
Continuing Education (Barbara and AnnaLee)

- Survey going out to determine the direction of the Continuing Education Committee: What its characteristics should be; when programs should be held; whether to hold webinars or should they be presented in person, among other questions.
- Plans for a unified calendar for all C.E. instructional events.
- Amanda will become the new liaison for the C.E. committee.

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New issue is on the NYLA website.

Web and Social Media
No report.

Old Business
NYLA Conference, November 4, 2016. Discussion. Barbara acknowledged Lauren for contacting many participants in the programs scheduled for this year. Barbara discussed program scheduling, room monitoring, and booth sign up. (See minutes 2/17/16 for list of programs mentioned)

New Business
Survey and discussion on selecting the new board members. The Board strongly recommended Amy Peker, and Walter Scott was the second selection. Barbara motioned to accept both as new members and Amanda seconded. The board unanimously approved.

Scholarship Committee (Julie)
Julie, now joined with board members AnnaLee and Jen C., have to determine who will win the Leadership Academy award. Discussion.

ULU Conference went very well.

Meeting adjourned 1:00pm.

Next meeting: TBD

Minutes respectfully submitted by,
Robert Carle,
LAMS Secretary