LAMS Board Meeting  
Thursday, March 30, 2017  
Mid Hudson Library System, Poughkeepsie, NY

Meeting called to order: 11:11 am

**Attendees:** Jennifer Cannell, Rob Carle, Lauren Comito, AnnaLee Giraldo, Barbara Madonna, Amy Peker, Amanda Perrine, Gillian Thorpe. **Absent:** Julie Kelsall-Dempsey, Frank Rees.

**Minutes:**
Approval of the December 21, 2016 minutes: Julie moved, Gillian seconded; minutes approved.

**Treasurer’s Report:**
Barbara presented financial statements she sent to the Board in a previous email. Barbara explained how adjustments were made for previous expenditure discrepancies in the last meeting’s report. The current balance ending February 28, 2017 is $14,438.14. Amanda moved to accept the report, Jen seconded. The treasurer’s report was approved.

**Electronic Vote:**
**Motion:** AnnaLee moved to approve $1000 donation to the ULU Conference. Amy seconded, and Lauren abstained. The motion was approved.

**NYLA Liaison Reports**

**Council:**
Barbara initiated a discussion on the proposal that LAMS add diversity as an evaluation criterion for awarding scholarships. Barbara will draft a response to Council based upon the Board’s discussion on this proposal.

**Legislative Committee:**
Lauren discussed the budget proposal and where things stand with the NY State Legislature.

**Membership Committee:**
Julie was absent. No report.

**Continuing Education Committee:**
Amanda went over some planned events on the [NYLA Continuing Education Events Calendar](#).

**Communications Committee:**
Jen reported that the committee is working on a draft for a social media policy for all the NYLA sections and roundtables.
LAMS Reports

JLAMS
Barbara attempted to contact Carol Ann Germain and has not received any replies.

Social Media
Gillian reported on recent posts to Facebook.

Scholarship Committee:
Julie was absent so there was no report. Jen and AnnaLee volunteered to help Julie review Leadership and Management Academy Scholarship applications prior to the June 18 deadline.

Old Business:
   a. Bylaws - Barbara sent out the LAMS section bylaws with the amended changes just prior to the meeting so no one had an opportunity to review them. Board members will be expected to decide on these changes at the next meeting.
   b. 2017 Conference update – AnnaLee presented the Conference programs sponsored by LAMS:
      I Still Don't Want to Talk About It - Gerry Nichols, Lisa Rosenblum
      Level Up Your Productivity - Ron Kirsop
      Libraries are a Powerful Platform for Change - Rebekkah Smith Aldrich, Matthew Bollerman
      Stalk Your Elected Officials - Lauren Comito, Christian Zabriskie
      Relevant, Responsive & Resilient Change Management - Mary Coon, Rebekkah Smith Aldrich
      Libraries Creating and Supporting an Inclusive Environment - Mary Carrier, Melinda Taormina

      LAMS will be co-sponsoring many other programs as well. Details for the LAMS luncheon have not been finalized but currently Emily Glasper from Suffolk County System has committed to speak. The luncheon has yet to be entered into the Conference schedule.

      Barbara negotiated for additional booth space and Gillian will design the LAMS booth suite.

      d. Leadership & Management Academy partnership with SSL. Jen and Barbara will merge their efforts on combining programs that then would be applicable for school librarians.
      e. Budget planning – The LAMS treasury is solvent and a budget will be in place by the next fiscal year.

Motion: A donation of $1000.00 will be sent to the NYLA Sustainability Initiative for the next fiscal year, and an additional $1000.00 will be donated for the following fiscal year. AnnaLee made the motion and it was seconded by Jen Cannell. The Board unanimously approved.

The $1000.00 donation from the motion made at the August Board meeting will be sent immediately. The Board to date has promised $3000.00 for the NYLA Sustainability Initiative program.
New Business

a. New LAMS Board members – There are currently four vacancies on the LAMS Board that need to be filled. Gillian will post to NYLINE asking for applications to fill these seats.

b. New LAMS officers for next year: Amanda volunteered for President-Elect; Jen for Secretary; Amy will train with Frank to take over as Treasurer. Rob will be resigning from the Board following the 2017 Conference.

Amanda moved to adjourn the meeting, Amy seconded.

Meeting adjourned: 1:55 pm.

Next meeting, May 10, 2017. Location TBD.

Minutes respectfully submitted by,
Robert Carle,
LAMS Secretary