Meeting called to order: 11:15 am

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

**Minutes:**
Approval of the March 30, 2017 minutes: AnnaLee moved, Amy seconded; minutes approved.

**Treasurer’s Report** (Frank)
Report submitted to the Board. $17,228.94 is the current balance. Amanda moved to accept the report, Lauren seconded. The treasurer’s report was approved.

**Electronic Vote:** No electronic votes.

**NYLA Liaison Reports**

**Council:**
(Barbara) Council meets on May 11 so there is no report.

**Legislative Committee:**
Lauren said everything regarding the State budget process went very well. There was some discussion on the proposed organ donation requirement for new patron registrants.

**Membership Committee:**
(Julie, not present but sent report by email)  
*The committee has been discussing adding another tier and what it would look like. Currently the top tier is $50,000 and over. The thought is to add $100,000 and over but we are looking for feedback from our sections. There is also the thought of increasing Roundtable membership so the rounds would have more funds for programs. The group discussed $7 or $10.*

**Continuing Education Committee:**
(Amanda) Jeremy asked the sections for more NYLA webinars and topics will need to be sent from the LAMS Board to the Continuing Education Committee. After some discussion the Board decided to set up a subcommittee to complete this task. Amy, Jen, Barbara, and Amanda volunteered to join this subcommittee.

**Communication Committee:**
(Jen) The committee successfully composed a social media policy for NYLA. There was some discussion on how LAMS provides updates on any new developments.

**JLAMS**
(Barbara) Have not received any news from Carol Anne Germain. Amy expressed an interest in taking on some responsibility for maintaining JLAMS.
Web and Social Media:
Gillian absent, no report. AnnaLee suggests other Board members help Gillian by sending her posts for the LAMS Facebook page. Amy is willing to help post content.

Scholarship Committee:
(Julie, not present but sent report by email)
*The scholarship letter will be sent to NYLINE this week with a deadline of June 17, 2017* [It was sent prior to today’s meeting]. Jen and Annalee have graciously agreed to be in the committee with me and we will probably meet to review the applications the last week of June. This year we have just [submitted] our Leadership and Management academy Scholarship unless the group decides to add another scholarship to encourage diversity as discussed last meeting. Just let me know and the scholarship committee will work on developing the guidelines and criteria using wording from Barb and Amy’s letter.

VII. Old Business
   a. By-laws Update
   Discussion on the following topics:
   - Term Limits. There was consensus that Board members need to be introduced so that fresh ideas will continue to generate as new members approach their roles with energy and vigor.
   - The limit would be 2 consecutive three year terms, and method will be developed to stagger each three year term so older members will provide guidance and experience for the newer members.
   - JLAMS Editor Board position role will be determined at a future meeting.
   - Create a nominating process for at-large members.

   b. 2017 Conference Update
   All programs are scheduled and everything is ready to go. Emily Clasper from Suffolk Cooperative Library System will conduct the luncheon program *Soft Skills for Hard Times*. The Board agreed to pay her conference expenses.

   c. Conference Mentoring Program
   Brainstorming session on how to implement this new program resulting some ideas:
   - Buddy system for new members to be linked with LAMS members who have 3 or more years of experience.
   - A party instead of an annual Board dinner designed to introduce new members to the LAMS section.
   - Ideas on informal conference buddy arrangement with an incentive for a free lunch, drinks, etc.

   d. New LAMS Board Members
   Empty Board seats to be filled. Frank said he would send out an announcement on NYLINE.
e. Leadership and Academy partnership
The Board talked about putting together a proposal for a partnership with NYLA.

f. Budget planning especially for programs and sponsorships
Frank said he would develop a budget and send out an email to the Board members.

Meeting Adjourned at 2:15.

Next meeting, 8/9/17 at Mid-Hudson Library System, Poughkeepsie, N.Y.

Minutes respectfully submitted by,
Robert Carle,
LAMS Secretary