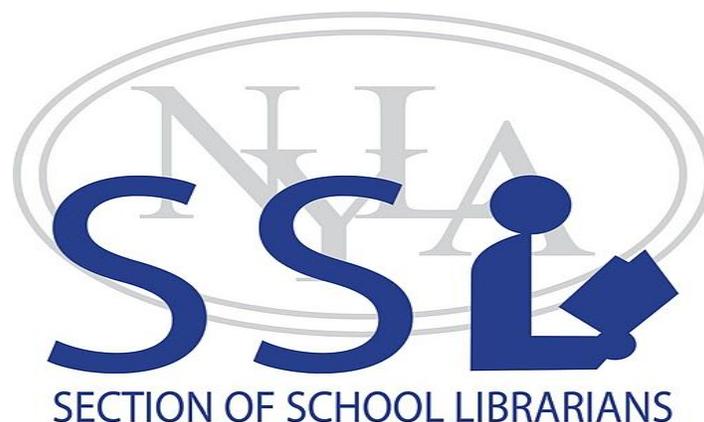


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MOTION: To approve the minutes.

Motion made by Sue Kowalski, seconded by Sally Daniels. *Motion carried.*



SLMS/NYLA Board Meeting

July 31, 2011

Cornell Retreat Center

9:00- 4:00 PM

Called to order 9:07

In attendance: Melissa Ahart, April Bliss, John Brock, Jim Clark, Heather D'Amico, Sally Daniels, Marcia Eggleston, Jane Herbst, Pauline Herr, Sara Kelly Johns, Mary Ann Karre, Charlie Kelly, Carole Kupelian, Chris Lupo, Patty Martire, Michelle Miller, Anne Paulson, Lisa Perkowski, Laura Reed, Fran Roscello, Livia Sabourin, Pat Shanley, Karen Sperrazza, Bethanne Stancl, Kelly Wilson,

Administration – Fran Roscello, President

The agenda calls for meetings today and a review of committee meeting reports from last night.

- Approval of Agenda: Fran Roscello, President

MOTION: To approve the agenda as presented.

Motion made by Jane Herbst, seconded by Karen Sperrazza. *Motion carried.*

- Approval of Minutes – Michelle Miller, Secretary

MOTION: To approve the minutes with corrections.

Motion made by Mary Ann Karr, seconded by Anne Paulsen. *Motion carried.*

- Budget and Treasurer Report - Patty Martire, Treasurer
 - Six month budget reported due to change to align with NYLA fiscal year.
 - The Laura Wedge donation will be moved to a CD.
 - Line items have been reduced to stream line budgeting.
 - Meeting is scheduled in August to discuss processes and expectations for new financial relationship between NYLA and SSL.
 - Conference funds will be added July 1 to help with planning and budget process.

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Motion made by Sue Kowalski, seconded by Sally Daniels. *Motion carried.*

- Thanks to Patty Martire and Fran Roscello for attending to the many details and processes regarding our financial records and their attention to organization and accurate records.
- We have funding from the 2010 Education Leadership at NYLA that has not been posted yet; we will follow up with this item at the August meeting.

MOTION: To approve the Treasurer's report and 2011 Budget as presented.

Motion made by Charlie Kelly, seconded by Carole Kupelian. *Motion carried.*

President Update:

- Full introductions were made, welcoming our newest members.
- A survey will be available after the Retreat to determine the success of the new meeting time for the Board meeting.
- Many hours were spent by SLMS leadership in responding to SED requests for information regarding the new APPR, lesson plans and curriculum, requests for information and qualifications for teaching evaluation rubrics, and the vision of libraries.
- The Board meeting held at NYLA will be required for officers only; reports will be due prior to the meeting as per usual; voting will be conducted electronically for any items requiring action.
- The Spring Conference was successful and contributes financially to our organization.
- New SSL pins were given by Fran to all Board Members as a token of appreciation for hard work and dedication to our organization.

ACTION ITEMS FROM REPORTS:

- Heather D'Amico has been looking for a new editor for the SLMSGram and is presenting Michaela Schied from Indian River Middle School who has experience in a variety of publications and would be an asset to the Board. She will work in cooperation with Heather to ensure a smooth transition and consider proposing changes to the publication to make it available exclusively online.

MOTION: To accept Michaela Schied as the new editor of SLMSGram.

Motion made by Fran Roscello, seconded by Carole Kupelian. *Motion passed*

- As a result of our name change, the organization needs to purchase new items with our logo. A new banner will also be ordered. Possible items may include fleeces, polo's, long sleeve tees, and post it notes. Some items require large quantities and it is easier to order small amounts and reorder rather than have left over items.
- We currently have beanie babies stuffed animals and water bottles with the old logo; the water bottles will be given away during the retreat. A recommendation was made to donate stuffed animals to a charitable organization that will share the stuffed animals with children.

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Motion made by Sue Kowalski, seconded by Sally Daniels. *Motion carried.*

MOTION: To give away items with old logo during the retreat and to a charitable organization.

Motion made by Carole Kupelian, seconded by Charlie Kelly. Motion passed.

- The Board Policy Book is in need of an update, there are changes that have to be added and some revision of existing policies. Pauline Herr, Carole Kupelian, and Kelly Wilson will begin this process.

Discussion Items from Previous Meetings

None

Discussion Items

- John Brock provided details about the APPR and Rubrics. The rubric is available on the NYLA website and despite not being accepted by SED; the rubric is a valuable tool to use.
- 2012-2013 teachers and librarians will be evaluated by APPR nationally. Districts will have the option next year to use APPR.
- Charlotte Danielson is a leader in teacher evaluation and has a rubric that is approved.
- The Student Longitudinal Data System (SLDS) will be tracking student data.
- Librarians can assist in creating student driven data for assessment. Look to be involved at the District level in Network Teams, School Based Inquiry Teams and BOCES Teams.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- The Conference Committee reported that the Conference Book has been updated and a timeline revised to allow for clear and concise information for new committee chairs. Vendor rates have been formalized and clarified for each year, an evote will be done once final vendor rates are completed. A special fee based vendor area for demonstrations will be available. There continue to be discussions of innovative ideas for increasing attendance.
- The Finance Committee is looking forward to the August meeting with NYLA to continue to improve the systems between the two organizations. NYLA has suggested a change to the conference accounting; however at this time SSL will continue to manage the conference accounting.
- The Communications Committee discussed an online version of the SLMSGram and name change. Changes will be made to our website to

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Motion made by Sue Kowalski, seconded by Sally Daniels. *Motion carried.*

check for dead links and update the name change within the site. If you have feedback on the new NYLA site, contact Laura Reed, she will be emailing them on a variety of issues. NYLA is converting to a completely online version; we may follow their lead and see how the process of changing works for them. The Communication Committee will begin to determine steps to make the change to an online format; establish a plan to change, research and work towards conversion. A report at the Winter Meeting will be presented to evaluate and vote on possible change.

MOTION: To change the newsletter name to conform to the new name of our organization. The SiSSLer is a proposed new name.

Motion made by Jane Herbst, seconded by Karen Sperazza. Motion passed.

- The Policy Book available on Google Docs is outdated and was last changed in 2004. The book also lacks procedures and budget information. The motions from 2001 are being added and the new updated Bylaws need to be uploaded.

MOTION: When an active member of SSL runs for a national (ALA, AASL) office, the Board may choose to support the candidate through endorsement, communication, and/or financial contribution.

Motion made by Carole Kupelian, seconded by Livia Sabourin. Motion passed.

- The Membership Committee discussed ways to increase involvement with Regional Affiliates. There continues to be a challenge with an inactive Regional Affiliate for Region 5; we will inquire to determine if there is an interest to remain affiliated with SSL. Kelly Wilson will create an "affiliation" document that will have each Region complete this re-affiliation with SSL to ensure continued participation. There was also a suggestion to have an Affiliate Assembly and Reception during the SSL Conference to share ideas and best practices.
- The Educational Leadership Committee discussed the need for new ideas for next year. There continues to be a theme of sharing big concepts at our Leadership events that enable members to take back guidelines for incorporating new trends and ideas into their curriculum as we continue to meet the needs of the digital learner and the net generation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- SLMS/NYLA Conference Updates. Karen Sperrazza reported there will be 7 SSL sponsored programs at the NYLA Conference this year; with many others co-sponsored by us. She also publically acknowledged all the hard work and great success to Beth Stanci and Jim Clark as the 2011 Chairs. The Knickerbocker Raffle was a great success. The 2012 Conference Chairs reported the Conference Wiki is up and running. There was also discussion to

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eliminate the early bird rate and offer a drawing for those who have registration in early. 2013 Conference Chairs offered a title for their conference "School Librarians- Savvy to the Core" The 2013 Conference Chairs also reported they were considering the SED Commissioner as the speaker for the Friday luncheon, there was concern about this selection due to the Commissioner being a public figure and the potential of a last minute scheduling conflict.

MOTION: A motion to accept the 2013 Conference title "School Librarians- Savvy to the Core"

Motion made by Patty Martire, seconded by Karen Sperrazza. Motion Passed.

- Statistics on membership were reported and membership continues to decrease within all sections of NYLA. An article will be written for the next SLMSGram (The SiSSLer) regarding the importance of membership.
- AASL News was presented by Sally Daniels that included the many details and handouts for the AASL Conference for 2011. There are new advocacy brochures available for free on the website that are geared to educate numerous groups (parents, teachers, administration, and policy makers). The L4L (Learning 4 Life) Lesson Plan database is available and all lesson plans are directly tied to the standards. The new APPR and Teacher Evaluation standards are a top priority and listed as the first agenda item for the upcoming meeting as our national leadership continues to evaluate the issue and offer guidance.
- The NYSCEA report begins with the election of a new President, Susan Bogdan-Ritty. Guest Speaker at the meeting was Dr. King, the new Commissioner of Education, who spoke at length about his areas of emphasis including the Common Core standards, student data, teacher preparation and evaluation and a focus on the lowest performing schools. A lengthy presentation was presented by Lawrence Paska, Coordinator of Technology Policy, updating the Educational Design and Technology and the connections to online learning. The importance for SSL as an organization to be involved in this development and implementation of learning standards.

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting

Motion made by Livia Sabourin seconded by Anne Paulsen. *Motion passed.*

Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 2, 2011 and only the Officers will be required to attend. Action items requiring voting will be completed via e-voting.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:14 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Motion made by Sue Kowalski, seconded by Sally Daniels. *Motion carried.*

Michelle Miller, Secretary