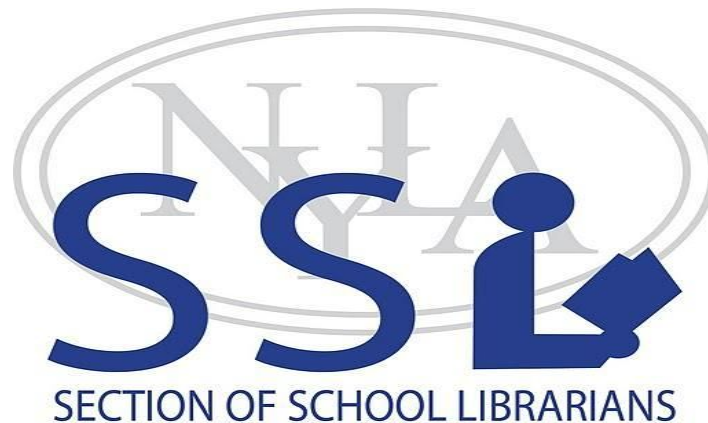


Approved at board meeting 2/9/12

MOTION: To approve the minutes.

Motion made by Jill Leinung, seconded by Karen Sperrazza. Motion carried.



SSL/NYLA Board Meeting

November 9, 2012

NYLA Conference, Saratoga, NY

2:00PM – 4:00 PM

Called to order 2:20

In attendance: Kate Berens Bucki, Mary Beth Farr, Pauline Herr, Sara Kelly Johns, Sue Kowalski, Carole Kupelian, Jill Leinung, Michelle Miller, Fran Roscello, Pat Shanley, Joanne Shawhan, Karen Sperrazza,

Administration –Pauline Herr, President

- Approval of Agenda:

MOTION: To approve the agenda as presented.

Motion made by Sue Kowalski, seconded by Karen Sperrazza. Motion carried.

- Approval of Minutes – Michelle Miller, Secretary

MOTION: To approve the minutes.

Motion made by Fran Roscello, seconded by Sue Kowalski. Motion carried.

- Budget and Treasurer Report - Patty Martire, Treasurer
 - Meeting with NYLA leadership to solidify finances and clarify financial reporting was held and very successful.

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

Motion made by Fran Roscello, seconded by Sue Kowalski. Motion carried.

MEMBERSHIP:

- Membership lists of expiring members were reviewed to determine possible contacts to encourage membership renewal.

- We will work with YSS and increase membership through joint initiatives, including a table at each conference for additional exposure

PRESIDENT'S UPDATE

- Pleased to report that the School Librarian Evaluation Rubric for the Annual Professional Performance Review requirements has been approved by the State Education Department.
- The Leadership Institute was a great success, focus was centered on NYC Information Fluency Continuum as presented by Barbara Stripling, Olga Nesi, Elizabeth Naylor-Gutierrez and Leanne Ellis. Auction was very successful, raising \$3500 for scholarships next year.
- A successful meeting with Debra Nusbaum, legislative director for Assemblywoman Catherine Nolan, generated a positive discussion regarding the importance of school and public librarians in education. A committee to focus on electronic safety will be a focus with the inclusion of students to ensure a youth perspective is considered in the committee work.
- Welcomed NYLA Council President Carol Anne Germain and Immediate Past President Matt Bollerman, who shared appreciation with the SSL Board and membership for all the efforts in support of NYLA and the overall mission. NYLA leadership offered continued support to SSL and expressed a willingness to attend section meetings or legislation meetings, or provide other support as needed.

ACTION ITEMS FROM REPORTS:

- Conference 2013 money and registrations will be processed through NYLA for this conference. This is a new procedure that will be evaluated as a trial and discussions post conference will be held to determine the pros and cons of having NYLA manage conference registrations and finances.
- Conference 2014 reports that the committee has had several meetings, is dividing the tasks required for the planning of the April 2014 Conference. A logo is in progress, and should be presented for review in the future for approval. The hotel and conference distance will create some set up issues that will be a bit nontraditional, the conference committee is working to be creative in their problem solving of this unique transportation situation. The committee is also evaluating the schedule of events on Saturday, there is discussion that there needs to be more scheduled to keep attendees there for the day, or eliminate the day due to people leaving early Saturday morning and not attending the scheduled events.
- Policy Book Review updates were presented by Karen Sperrazza, who is working to update the policy manual. There continues to be progress in the manual.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Leadership Retreat costs continue to increase, the committee continues to explore various solutions to this event and the costs associated, as we do not make a profit on this Retreat. The cost increases may force continued medications to the event, limiting the meals included in registration is one possibility to explore. There is discussion that a subcommittee may be established to evaluate cost structure of the event and possible solutions to the rising expenses. The possibility of NYLA managing registrations and assisting with the negotiations between the venue and SSL could create cost savings. The implementation of online registrations, credit card payment options, registration materials, badges, and labels are all possibilities to create cost savings. The fee structure for the Leadership Retreat was also discussed at length, the registration fee for members versus nonmembers could increase revenue and/ or membership. The Leadership Retreat dates for 2013 will be August 5-6.

MOTION: To modify pricing for Leadership Retreat that will reflect pricing for members versus nonmembers.

- Motion made by Sue Kowalski, seconded by Fran Roscello. *Motion carried.*

- The Big Deal Book of Technology from the American Library Association has requested a list of membership to being distribution of an email newsletter twice per month. The option will be available for members to unsubscribe if they choose.

MOTION: To distribute Big Deal Book of Technology to membership.

Motion made by Sue Kowalski, seconded by Jill Leinung, motion carried.

- Pilot APPR's for librarians this year then move to the mandate for next year. Evidence should be gathered for districts who use the APPR/SLYMPE rubric, as of now this cannot be used as an evaluation tool yet, there needs to be continued cooperation with the unions. Librarians should be learning this information from the SLSA directors and affiliates should help educate as changes occur.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Susan Polos has been asked to serve on the Newberry Committee. This is an exciting opportunity for her and we look forward to hearing about her experiences.

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting at 4:00

Motion made by Sue Kowalski seconded by Karen Sperrazza. *Motion passed.*

Next meeting is scheduled for February 2-3, 2013.

Action items requiring voting will be completed via e-voting.

Respectfully submitted,
Michelle Miller, Secretary