

Library Trustees Association, a Section of NYLA

Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Virtual Meeting via Zoom

November 21, 2021 11am

In Attendance: Jean Currie, Suzanne Stockman, Adria Ripka, Edris Scherer, Phil Archer, Martha Anderson

Guest: Joe Eisner

TREASURER'S REPORT: Edris Scherer

PayPal Account

John McCarthy deposited \$28.00 into the PayPal account

Jean asked if the PayPal Account is still open or closed. Who has access to it? What are the passwords?

Currie will check with John McCarthy

Large Deposit

Large deposit came in probably from a system.

PRESIDENTS REPORT: Jean Currie

NYLA Director Position

34 applications came in for NYLA Director position. These were whittled down to 6 for initial interview. A candidate will be chosen by December 20, 2021.

The positions for Professional Development and Administration and Finance position are available.

OLD BUSINESS

CONFERENCE 2021

The in person and virtual conference events went well.

LTAS had a booth in the middle of the vendors. Martha put together a raffle. Did not take a head count on the raffle. Very few trustees visited the booth but there was steady traffic of conference goers.

Suzanne Stockman, VP, said Stephanie Adams was very good and the program had a great format (Jeopardy) allowing for many questions to be answered. It was well attended with 69-70 people. Currie has several completed evaluation forms.

Trade Show

There were not so many vendors at the Trade Show. Suzanne went on Friday. The YSS luncheon was excellent. The speaker/author of **The Exile** and **the Orphan Train** by Christina Baker Kline was amazing.

Attendance

360 library people attended.

Workshops

Stephanie Adams did 2 for LTAS and 2 for other sections.

NYLA CONFERENCE 2022 (Saratoga Springs)

Robin Donovan volunteered to be the curator for the 2022 NYLA Conference. Jean Currie suggested Ellen, Bob and Stephanie could host workshops for LTA next year. Jean will help Robin with the tasks.

NEW BUSINESS

POLICY DATABASE

Currie will contact those interested in helping with the LTAS project. Questions are: should we develop a database of policies or link to good policy resources. Anderson would like LTA to point people to different policy databases.

AWARDS PROJECT FOR 2022

Suzanne Stockman will continue with her role as the Awards person for awards. Suzanne asked if it was the 75th anniversary of the Thelma B. Moore Award.

NEWSLETTER

Adria Ripka will step down as a Board Member at the end of the 2021 year. Newsletters come out 4 times a year. Currently the October 2021 issue has not been sent out.

TRUSTEES WEBINAR

Trustee Boot Camp

(perhaps a series of 4) Jean Currie's System Director held one for the trustees in her area. Perhaps her Systems Director could turnkey it to the rest of NYS trustees.

Mr. Hildreth was also mentioned as a candidate to possibly present a webinar and perhaps Stephanie Adams could do it as well.

HOW TO REALLY PUSH THE TRUSTEE HANDBOOK CLUB

Utilize the NYLA LTA email blast.

NYLA STATEMENT ON FREEDOM TO READ

Sent to the Board for use as they see fit

LAWS AND REGULATIONS FOR NY PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Joe Eisner offered his publication to the LTAS organization. Joe explained while the LTA Handbook exists, it does not include NYS Law as it pertains to libraries. Joe Eisner's publication does just that. Joe agreed to send the board content from his book. It could include a case study and how it pertains to a library issue.

Next Meeting

December 19 at 1:00 p.m.