Approved at board meeting 2/8/2014

MOTION:  To approve the minutes from the September board meeting AS CORRECTED.
Motion made by Anne Paulson, seconded by Pauline Herr. Motion carried.

SSL Board Meeting
NYLA CONFERENCE
NIAGARA FALLS
September 25, 2013
Called to order 7:25 pm

In attendance: Sue Bartle, Kate Berens-Bucki, Leona Chereshnoski, Pauline Herr, Kathy Jarvis, Sara Kelly Johns, Mary Anne Karre, Sue Kowalski, Carole Kupelian, Katie St. Laurent, Jill Leinung, Michelle Miller, Livia Sabourin, Karen Sperrazza

Administration – Sue Kowalski, President
Approval of Agenda: Sue Kowalski, President

MOTION: To approve the agenda as presented.
Motion made by Pauline Herr, seconded by Karen Sperrazza. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes – Michelle Miller, Secretary

MOTION: To approve the minutes.
Motion made by Karen Sperrazza, seconded by Pauline Herr. Motion carried.

Budget and Treasurer Report - Patty Martire, Treasurer
The Finance report is deferred to the next meeting.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT

A spreadsheet has been created to create a document that details all organizational positions, outlining term limits and provide contact information, this will assist with changes in the organization and allow leadership to recognize those leaving positions, contacting people, and create a centralized document for all members. We continue to manage and improve job descriptions, and mentor assignments for the transition of members and positions.
VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT

The upcoming Winter Board Meeting will be held in Utica, New York February 8-9, 2014. The agenda includes continued work on the advocacy campaign, organizational realignment, and strategic planning.

The continued work towards reaching potential membership will focus on an academic liaison to promote membership to college students, continued attention to the re-affiliation process and partnerships with the SLSA Liaison.

An Affiliate Assembly is being discussed and coordinated for the upcoming SSL Conference in Syracuse, April 2014. This assembly will create a venue for affiliation concerns as well as commendations to be recognized, the goal is to complete the re-affiliation process at that time.

PAST PRESIDENT’S REPORT

The Sunshine Fund continues to grow; there have been minimal expenses from this account. The partnership between YSS and SSL continues to grow, the conversations continue regarding the sharing of a conference that would provide collaboration, increase attendance and possibly reduce costs. A meeting will be coordinated through NYLA to discuss a possible 2015 joint YSS/SSL conference.

The NYSCEA Meeting is scheduled for October, so a report will be made following that meeting.

Advocacy continues to be a main concern for our board, the opportunity to create partnerships with local colleges and the share benefits of library collaboration to library and teaching students would create opportunities for co-teaching and increase awareness of library classroom partnerships.

The Legislative Report indicates no new changes since our recent meeting in August. The goal of the Legislative Representatives is to ask the Governor for funding rather than react to proposed funding after the budget is released. A focus for legislation this year is to have consideration to the change from internet safety to digital literacy.

Beth Stancl has informed the Board of her need to resign her position of Vice President of Communications due to family obligations. She is hopeful to return in the future and appreciates the cooperation and understanding of the Board. The position is now vacant.

2014 Conference report indicates the registration costs and the registration to be managed through NYLA this year was approved in an E-Vote on September 24, 2013.

The SSL Board would like to host an NY SSL Meet and Greet at the upcoming AASL Hartford, Connecticut conference due to the close proximity of the national conference. Michelle Miller will coordinate and promote event.

Educational Leadership continues to seek possible topics for the 2014 Educational Leadership Institute. One consideration is Marc Aaronson from Rutgers University with a focus on teacher librarian teams.
AASL Delegate report continues to emphasize and encourage participation in the Declaration of Libraries for all members. The inclusion of the Declaration at Open House events, library events, and school board meetings create an opportunity to discuss library support and advocate. The request has been made for an IMLS grant to create cultural connections with a Common Core focus. There are new SLSA Directors in place throughout the state and the Board is encouraged to connect with these new directors and create partnerships for sharing information and support.

The Awards Committee report is requesting the approval of the Sally Daniels SSL Conference Scholarship Award. A new application has been created for the new award and promotion of these awards will begin.

MOTION: To accept the one time donation for the Sally Daniels Scholarship for 2014 to attend the 2014 SSL State Conference and to accept a one time donation for the Marcia Eggleston Leadership Award to allow one member to attend the Leadership Institute.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting at 10:04
Motion made by Sue Bartle seconded by Katie St. Laurent. Motion passed.

Next meeting is scheduled for Winter Board Meeting, February 8-9, 2014 in Utica, NY. Action items requiring voting will be completed via e-voting.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Miller, Secretary