

NJLA Executive Board Meeting Minutes
October 17, 2017
Gloucester County Library, Mullica Hill

Call to Order: Michael Maziekien, President

Michael called the meeting to order at 2:08 pm, seconded by Jen; all in favor.

Present: Michael Maziekien, Chris Carbone, Leah Wagner, Darby Malvey, Adele Puccio, Lynn Schott, Jen Schureman, Jayne Beline, Emily Moore, Amy Babcock-Landry, Mary Chute, Peggy Cadigan, Patricia Tumulty,

Attended online: Kate Jaggers, Chelsea Woods-Turner, Nancy Weiner & Melissa Brisbin

Guests: Joyce Valenza, Rutgers S C & I

Staff: Patricia Tumulty, NJLA

Motion to Adopt Agenda by Emily Moore, seconded by Leah Wagner. Motion carried.

Motion to Adopt Minutes by Leah Wagner, seconded by Emily Moore. Motion carried.

Financial Report: Cynthia was absent but the bill list was presented. A motion to invest the interest from the Capital One Account into the Advocacy Fund was made by Chris Carbone, seconded by Adele Puccio. It passed.

Lynn Schott moved to accept the bill list, Amy Babcock-Landry seconded. Motion carried.

Reports from NJLA

Michael welcomed Amy to the board. He stated that petitions for the upcoming election nominations will start in January and asked if they should be delayed until the middle or end of January due to timing conflicts. He thanked Chris Carbone and the Nominations Committee for taking it on.

Michael said that Pat's statement on Privatization was both powerful & appreciated. Vineland's situation is still a concern as LS&S tries to get the council to privatize the library.

Pat talked about the Privatization statement and said a stronger statement was warranted. Vineland is a healthy library unlike others that were taken over in the past. The motion to pass the new Public Policy statement was unanimous. The Public Policy committee was thanked for their prompt & diligent work.

The Friends Institute in Parsippany had 35 attendees. 30 have signed up for the Burlington location.

BCCLS held their Friends Breakfast earlier in the day and the attendees were very receptive on the topic of the Library Bond Construction Act.

Jayne Beline for ALA: Committee Interest forms are available online and due Nov. 3. The Chapter Relations committee asks for Chapter experience.

The Executive Director Search has yielded no recommended candidates. Mary Ghikas is the Interim Executive Director.

Stipends are available for the Stand Up for Health pre-conference by the National Library of Medicine for PLA on March 20, 2018. 50 stipends are available. 500 will be able to attend.

ALA has signed onto the NYU Brennan Center for Justice's statement to reauthorize the Higher Education Act.

Mary Chute said Work continues for the next phase of planning for the New Jersey – Delaware Digital Public Library of America Service Hub. The planning work is leading to the submission of a Service Hub application to DPLA by the Spring of 2018. Carson Block attended the Futures Conference and will be at the Public Library Directors Summit.

Kathleen Peiffer began her appointment as Deputy State Librarian for Library Support Services on October 16th.

On October 10, Mary gave greetings at the Gloucester County Library System's Career Connections event to announce the expansion of the program to all of the system's branches. Mary and Michele attended the LYRASIS Leaders Circle and Members Summit in Philadelphia on October 11 and 12.

The Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education visited the State Library on September 21 as part of the accreditation process for TESU's Doctor of Nursing Practice program

SLIC continues to offer Jersey Job Club Workshops each month. Acing the Job Interview I will be held on October 25 and Top Notch Resumes II on November 29.

Lunchtime learning classes continue on a variety of subjects including: Genealogical Research Stories; Researching your Civil War Ancestors; and Using Ancestry.com DNA Results to Solve Genealogical Mysteries.

Genealogy librarian, Regina Fitzpatrick, will be presenting the program, Researching the Revolutionary War and Civil War Military Service of New Jersey Residents at the DANJ Fall Conference on October 27

The State Library will be participating in Patriots Week in December. This year's program on December 27, from 12-1pm, will focus on New Jersey Hessians with author Pete Lubrecht.

TBBC will be participating in a pilot program to make it easier for patrons to receive audiobooks. TBBC is one of several network libraries that will evaluate the use of a wireless cartridge delivery called MOCA.

On Saturday, October 14th, TBBC hosted its biannual Fall Festival at the Grounds for Sculpture in Hamilton, New Jersey. Over 250 TBBC patrons and their guest registered for this event.

Thanks to everyone for helping make Futures Conference 2017 a rousing success. The feedback from the more than 365 attendees has been overwhelmingly positive and enthusiastic with many urging NJSL not to wait another 10 years before conducting the next conference.

The second Cohort of libraries selected to participate in the barbershop literacy project known as Fade to Books began its mission on October 1st. This group of libraries includes: Old Bridge

Public Library; Newark Public Library; Roselle Public Library; East Orange Public Library; Montclair Public Library

Wednesday, October 25th is Snapshot Day for NJ Libraries.

Peggy Cadiagan said there were 55 participants in Mentor NJ.

Joyce Valenza said Rutgers is going through the ALA Accreditation process and is looking for special topics courses and lecturers. There is a colloquium on Getting Engaged: Community Engagement on October 18th. Nancy Kranich is the moderator and this will be available online. A school library bus tour is being set up to show students different types of school libraries. Two have been chosen in Atlantic County.

No Report from NJASL

New Business

Advocacy report: The Construction Bond question will be on the ballot in 3 weeks. The Alliance for Action partnership is very successful because of their work for infrastructure advocacy. Chris and Pat attend the meetings.

500 lawn signs were printed and will be distributed to Libraries across the state on Snapshot day. Ignite Media – Digital Advertising – there will be targeted pop-ups and Facebook ads. All are encouraged to post on their private social media accounts and share as much as possible. Pat, Chris and Jeanne Ryan met with both gubernatorial candidates and both were non-committal.

Conference update from Kate: Website has been updated, proposals for programs are due November 10. The Program Planners Orientation was well-attended. Projectors and laptops will be offered to all and proposals have been opened to all.

Action Plan for the Next Meeting

November 21st at the Parsippany Public Library, 10:00 AM.

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There were a chorus of welcomes for Amy.

Diversity & Outreach will conduct 2 ACA trainings in Elizabeth and Mullica Hill, and will explain how to disseminate information.

A card was received from Mary Witherell thanking the board for their generosity.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Jen at 3:40, seconded by Darby; all in favor.

(Minutes approved with corrections 11/21/17. Kate Russo)