

**NEW HAMPSHIRE LIBRARY TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
Local Government Center, Concord, NH  
JANUARY 2, 2013

Present: Knight, Webster, Cotter, Moses, Kirwin, Hallenbeck, Snelling, Meserve, Davis, Lord, Gaudiello and Edelmann.

Excused: Burchstead, Gilbert, Solon,

Guest: Michael York

Meeting called to order by the President, Adele Knight, at 10:01 a.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

MOTION (Edelmann/Cotter) Minutes of December 5, 2012 were approved as corrected.  
PASSED

Treasurer's report emailed, see attached. MOTION (Meserve/Cotter) Treasurer's report accepted and filed for audit. PASSED.

## **REPORTS**

***Communications Committee:*** We had a 16-page newsletter. Kirwin urged the directors use the website. Gaudiello suggested that we use LISTSERV to encourage people to go to the website.

***Education Committee:*** Report emailed. Conference speakers are all lined up. The information for the flyer won't go to Kirwin until February 6<sup>th</sup>. Gaudiello suggested putting an article in the newsletter on how to get the most out of the conference. We need to consider how to use the energy created by the Conference. Davis suggested that Directors lunch with other Trustees. Kirwin asked that the Education Committee consider if the Friends were going to have a different rate for the Conference.

***Finance Committee:*** no report

***Fundraising Committee:*** no report

***Governance Committee:*** Webster announced that the Governance Committee would be meeting January 23<sup>rd</sup> at LGC.

***Legislative Committee:*** There is a possible LSR on Library governance. Hallenbeck suggested that we report to our membership how important the Library RSAs are and shouldn't be "tweaked" which would result in opening it up to all kinds of issues. Edelmann suggested we ought to have classes on the RSAs. She also suggested we look at what RSAs might need to be changed so that we can be proactive. Kirwin stressed the importance of educating the Selectboards.

***NHLA Liaison:*** Report emailed

**President:** no report

**State Library:** York reported that they are working on the budget. With retirements coming up, there will be less staff. They will be hosting a traveling exhibit on the Constitution. Downloadable books have been doing very well. They are looking to help small libraries with their technology.

**Technology Committee:** Hallenbeck discussed the e-Book usage survey. He said that NHLTA.com is going away and will only be NHLTA.org. Cotter suggested that might be a problem. Hallenbeck will research it further. Nonprofits are offering technology network sessions. Hallenbeck is signing up for it.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. **Sponsorships:** Gaudiello reported that sponsorships have gone extremely well. Keynote and breakfast have sponsors. Four workshops have sponsors. We have \$2700 so far and more to come. Next year we need to put together a “how to solicit” document to prepare the directors to get 2014’s sponsorships. She suggested as a fundraising vehicle we consider having supporting organizations that would get benefits including first choice of the sponsorships.
2. **Membership services:** Solon is working with Cornerstone on finance procedures. Cornerstone will be making the bank deposits. We have had a problem with the change of address but it is being handled.
3. **Advocacy:** Hallenbeck reported that we listed two things to work on: Defining public Library value and Building better relationships in their town

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. After serving twenty years Edelman announced her retirement from the NHLTA due to health issues. The directors expressed their appreciation for all Lillian has done. Kathy Meserve will assume the duties as Education Committee Chair.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Carol Snelling, Secretary

#### **MOTIONS**

Minutes

Treasurer’s report

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

Next meeting February 6 at the LGC

Refreshments:  
Lillian Edelman and Betsy Solon