

## **New Hampshire Library Trustees Association**

Board of Directors Meeting via Zoom

Thursday June 2, 2022, 10 am.

Attending: Lara Berry, Deb Caplan, Rosemary D'Arcy, Conrad Moses, Katrinka Pellecchia, Mark Branoff, Renee Mallett, Anne Chant, Kathryn Parenti, Marcia McLaughlin, Connie Kirwin, Tammy Hooker ; Michael York,; excused absence: Lisa Houde .

Marcia called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.

**Minutes:** Kathy made a correction at the end of the minutes - "Zoon" should be "Zoom".

Rosemary made a motion to accept the minutes, as amended, from the May meeting; Connie seconded. PASSED.

**Treasurer's Report:** Mark noted it was a busy month. He wondered if a letter could be drafted to go along with the check to the winners of the conference trivia contest. Deb and Rosemary (co-chairs of the conference) agreed to work on it. The letter and check would be sent to the Trustee Chairs, % their library. It was agreed to send a copy of the expense report out with a thank you email to the presenters to expedite the payment process. All the charges and balances due for the conference will be paid up in June. The dues payments are coming in well, almost half are paid. He will have a detailed conference revenue and expense report for August.

Mark noted that he amended the March treasurer's report to incorporate a 3/31 deposit. Ten scholarships to the Conference have been awarded; Mark will transfer funds from the scholarship account to the operating account. Conrad made a motion to accept the treasurer's report; Lara seconded. PASSED.

**State Library:** Michael noted it is the end of the fiscal year; there won't be a lot of changes next fiscal year. Library directors will not meet until the fall (their meeting was today). He enjoyed the conference and felt it was outstanding.

**NHLA:** Denise Van Zanten, liaison with the NHLA let the board know that Lisa Houde had resigned as VP and at their June 14th meeting their current secretary, Mindy will resign and be VP for a few months. The group will later nominate her to be president, bylaws will need to be updated to accommodate for this situation. Matthew agreed to be secretary and they need to find a VP. They've updated the strategic plan, are training to use the new website and all the information from the old website template will be transferred to the new template. It's been a busy month for the NHLA.

**Education:** Amended meeting minutes were sent as part of the meeting materials. Comments were generally good regarding the conference. Several complaints were about noise - bleeding between rooms, not being able to hear in some sessions. It was noted the session by Terry Knowles was very popular. Next conference reminders will go out to the presenters regarding slide content, using the microphone, etc. Of the 13 sessions, only 5 of the presenters provided slides for the website - hopefully more will submit. Marcia would like everyone to look at the conference survey data for discussion at the next meeting. The Grappone Center will be the site of the 2023 conference (free parking, centrally located in the state, free WIFI, good food) on May 9, 2023. The date will be in the summer newsletter as well. Katrinka made the motion to commit to Grappone for May 9, 2021; Deb seconded and all were in favor.

**Scholarships:** There are 10 \$50 scholarships and 1- \$1000 summer scholarship - refer to the treasurer's report for May. The larger scholarship will be discussed at the next scholarship meeting.

**Communications.** Katrinka reminded the board that June 3 is the copy deadline for the summer newsletter. There will be articles from Lori Fisher plus a few others; the conference attendees will be thanked and the 2023 date will be mentioned. Rosemary and Deb said they would work on a general thank you note for the speakers, vendors and sponsors. Conrad reported that Constant Contact is working - 937 emails went out, 387 were not opened so the email list needs to be updated.

**Governance:** There was no meeting in May - nothing to report.

**Annual Reports:** Committees need to submit them for the website - Communication and Finance reports are the last ones needed.

**Workshop Volunteers:** 2 volunteers are needed for the June 13 and August 9 workshops in Concord - Connie and Conrad volunteered.

**Election of Officers:** Anne nominated the following: President - Marcia, VP - Anne, Treasurer - Mark, Secretary - Kathy, Past President - Katrinka. Connie seconded. All were in favor. Marcia will update the list.

**Other Business:** ALA's Unite Against Book Bans - Renee made the motion to support the position; Rosemary seconded; all were in favor. The NHLTA's position will be on the website.

Renee suggested we have a Facebook page that she would monitor. It would be good outreach and broaden the potential for library trustees. The board was in favor of this with Connie disagreeing.

The meeting adjourned at 1137 am (Lara/Renee). Passed.

Next meetings:

There is no meeting in July.

August 3 – board meeting via Zoom, 10 am; September 7 meeting is in person, 25 Triangle Park, Concord, NH

Respectfully submitted, Kathryn Parenti