

**Connecticut Library Association Board Meeting
November 2nd, 2017
Middletown Library Service Center, Middletown
9:30am Coffee/10:00am Business Meeting**

Minutes

1. **Call to Order:** President Glenn Grube called the meeting to order at 10:02am
2. **Approval of Minutes:**
 - a. **October 5th, 2017 meeting minutes:** A ***motion*** was made by Mary Etter and ***seconded*** by Carl Antonucci to approve the minutes of October 5th, 2017 with the following corrections:
Item 5. CSL should read "...Board approved many construction grant extensions..."
The ***motion was approved by majority. Motion passed.*** Richard Conroy and Gerry Seagrave abstained.
A request was made to add page numbers to the minutes.
3. **Old Business:**
 - a. **President's Report-Glenn Grube:** None
 - b. **Treasurer's Report-Scott Brill:** In Scott's absence, Glenn reviewed the report and highlighted the \$11,200 in additional income that was added in late September, start of October from membership dues, the CLASS conference, and a variety of other programs and workshops.
Richard Conroy questioned whether the scholarships budget amount is correct because it appears to be too high. Glenn will research this further and contact Scott about his figures. Glenn shared information from the expanded document and they both agreed that the amount shown, \$4,750, looks correct.
A ***motion*** was made by Kate Byroade and ***seconded*** by Mary Etter to approve the Treasurer's Report and was ***unanimously approved. Motion passed.***
 - c. **CLA Payment, Refunds & Cancellation Policies:** A ***motion*** was made by Carl Antonucci and ***seconded*** by Tom Piezzo to approve the CLA Payment, Refunds & Cancellation Policies and was ***unanimously approved. Motion passed.***
4. **New Business:**
 - a. **2018 Annual Conference Registration Rates and Exhibitor Fees:** Glenn stated that the 2018 conference rates and fees will be the same rates as those from 2017.
A ***motion*** was made by Gail Hurley and ***seconded*** by Christy Billings to approve the 2018 Annual Conference Registration Rates and Exhibitor Fees and was ***unanimously approved. Motion passed.***
5. **Committee/Section/Roundtable/Regional Representatives Reports:**

ACLB: Denise Stankovics reported that their conference is tomorrow, Friday, November 3 and that the registration is now closed. She reviewed the day's schedule and announced that the 4th issue of the ACLB newsletter was just published. They are looking for ideas for articles and ideas that can be shared with other library boards. Please email suggestions to info@aclb.org.

ADA: Maria Bernier-none

ACLPD: Ramona Burkey was absent but Ken Wiggin announced that a permanent resource sharing group has been established.

ALA: Carl Antonucci-none

Archivist: Gerald Seagrave-none

Awards: Region Reps-Chris Hemingway announced that the information on the website has been updated and that groups will be contacted soon.

BCALA: Vivian Bordeaux-absent

Career Development: Richard Conroy reported that the next meeting is in a few weeks and they will be firming up the mentorship matching service and conference offerings. The director of the Wadsworth Atheneum Library, Amy Kilkenny, plans to open the library to CT librarians and offering a presentation at CLA.

CLA Lobbyist: Gallo & Robinson-absent

CLC: Jennifer Keohane was absent so Trish Palmer shared the upcoming roundtables dates and informed members to check the website, www.ctlibrarians.org, for more information. When on the site, just hover over anything of a different color for more information. Membership renewals were sent yesterday, November 1, and show the savings libraries benefit with a CLC membership. Trish brought complimentary 2018 keyboard calendars and displayed acrylic sign holders available for purchase and shipped free.

Commission on Ed Tech: Colleen Bailie-none

CSL: Ken Wiggin reported that the Governor signed the budget and that the hospital tax was the only line item veto. Ken thanked members for their advocacy efforts. The 2017 budget, after adjustments, contains the same numbers for 2018 budget although late hold backs were not included. The Governor can still make adjustments to find more savings but as of now, programs are still funded at their current levels. He understands that the funding is retroactive and will cover the databases, and money for CLC, but there will be less construction funding available. New revenue will be generated, a historic documents preservation fund for towns, through the town clerks to preserve documents. Towns will get an extra \$1 at the local level and the State Library will get \$4. Speak to Ken or the legislative committee about suggestions before approaching members of the legislature. Ken reported that 10 libraries applied for the EXCITE program and Gail Hurley will be reviewing their applications.

Children's: Danielle Valenzano & Kari Hamad-Kari reported that they held their annual conference and about 67 people attended and learned about music apps and escape rooms.

College & University: Julie Styles-Julie stated that an Information Literacy Conference will be held at the University of Hartford on June 15, 2018.

CLASS: Lorrie Goings & Alberto Cifuentes. Jr.-absent: Glenn shared information from Alberto on the CLASS conference. It was a success and 85 people were in attendance. A survey will be coming out soon and they are still looking for 2 co-chairs to head next year's conference.

Conference 2018: Kirk Morrison & Alessandra Petrino-Kirk shared that the conference planning is going well, and the theme is "Build a Better Library". A link is on the CLA website, with conference information and registration is now open for exhibitors. Conference proposals need to be submitted by November 24.

Customer Service: Lisa Karim & Ellen Janpol-Lisa reported that the section conference was successful and they are submitting five CLA proposals.

Editorial: Marjorie Ruschau-Jen Datum shared that a new feature will be added to the newsletter "Moving On Up" and they are looking for questions. Submit suggestions to Jen and they will then be sent out to members to answer and be published in future newsletters.

FOCL: Frank Ridley-absent: Kate Byroade will attend the upcoming conference.

Intellectual Freedom: Sam Lee-absent: Glenn shared that a successful virtual meeting was held and that this format will continue. The next meeting is on Monday, November 13 at 10 am. Bill Marden, Director of Privacy and Compliance with NYPL, is developing a program for CLA.

Legislative: Carl Antonucci & Mary Etter: Carl expressed his thanks to members, especially Ken, Glenn and Kate for their advocacy efforts during the budget process and preparations are underway for next year's budget.

Membership: Thomas Piezzo: Tom reported that CLA is now at 728 members, 15 more than last year, and that initiatives with new members and such as NELA membership is driving new memberships. He thanked the sections for allowing him to speak during their workshops about CLA membership opportunities. The Meet-Ups will continue in the near future.

NELA: Christy Billings-Christy attended the conference in Burlington, VT, and was impressed. Debbie Dutcher, from New Hampshire, is the new president. Christy shared the conference offerings and reported that sadly the NELA snail did not to return to CT but is currently in Maine. The next NELA Board meeting is November 18, 2018. The 2018 conference will be in Warwick, RI, and it will be a NELLs 2 year which is intended for more experienced librarians with 15 years or more.

PEG: Peter Ciparelli-absent

Publicity: Julie Ann Menders-Julie Ann announced that applications will be coming out in December for libraries to submit their entries for the CLA LOB display theme "Not Your Grandmother's Library". The display will be highlighting outreach.

Procedures: Christine Angeli-none

Public Library: Lorna Rhyins-Lorna held a meeting recently and discussed conference ideas. There will be an annual meet up in the spring and the Passport Program is moving along with about 91 libraries registered. More information will be coming soon.

Reference & Adult Services: Glenn stated that this section still need a Chair.

Resource Sharing: Karen Carey-Karen reported that there will be a meeting later today.

SCSU: Arlene Bielefield-absent

Technical Services: Gail Hurley-Gail reported that they held their Fall program on October 18 and the topic was weeding. 30 people attended and made \$500 profit for CLA. There was good feedback on the surveys and some suggestions for other programs.

Technology: Gen Francis-Gen reported that a meeting will be held on November 8 to discuss CLA conference proposals.

Young Adult: Jennifer Rummel-Jennifer shared that there will be a workshop in 2 weeks and that the keynote is a CT author and social justice programming will be shared. The section is gearing up its proposals for annual.

Region 1: Matt Yanarella-absent

Region 2: Susan C. Ray-Susan reported that West Hartford Library will be celebrating their 120th anniversary on November 12 and Enfield Library is offering curbside pickup.

Region 3: Elizabeth Thornton-absent

Region 4: Geri Diorio-Geri reported that Greenwich Library us hosting author Walter Isaacson, Mark Twain Library has a new teen librarian, the Brookfield Library is loaning fitbits and the Burnham Library in Bridgewater is now loaning Chromecast.

Region 5: Chris Hemmingway-Chris reported that the Bethany Library received a \$2,500 gift for teen programs, the Guilford Library had a poetry night, and the Levi Coe Library in Middlefield now has a notary public by appointment.

Region 6: Gale Bradbury-Gale reported that the Ledyard mayor wants to split the open hours between the Gales Ferry and Bill libraries. All but 4 part time staff will be laid off and the 153 part time hours will be reduced to only 76

part time hours. She will continue to push back and thanked Glenn and CLA who sent out letters to the Mayor and Town Council.

6. Adjournment

A ***motion*** was made by Carl Antonucci and ***seconded*** by Geri Diorio to adjourn at 10:42a.m. and was ***unanimously approved. Motion passed.***

Attendance: Trish Palmer, Karen Carey, Geri Diorio, Kari Hamad, Jennifer Rummel, Chris Hemingway, Chris Angeli, Tom Piezzo, Gail Hurley, Mary Etter, Gerald Seagrave, Carl Antonucci, Susan Ray, Lorna Rhyins, Lisa Karim, Gale Bradbury, Christy Billings, Ken Wiggin, Julie Styles, Maria Bernier, Denise Stankovics, Kirk Morrison, Jennifer Datum, Colleen Bailie, Kate Byroade, Glenn Grube, Genevieve Francis, Julie Menders, Catherine Potter