

Connecticut Library Association Board Meeting
Thursday, July 9th 2015
Middletown Library Service Center

1. Beth Crowley called the meeting to order at 10:02am.
2. Board Introductions.
3. The minutes from the June 4th 2015 meeting were approved, with changes.
 - a. Motion was made by Peter Ciparelli and seconded by Karen Jensen, motion passed unanimously.
4. Old Business
 - a. President's Report – Beth Crowley
 - b. Treasurer's Report - Nicole Greco
 - i. Nicole passed around reports with actuals from the 2014/2015 FY, in addition to the proposed 2015/2016 budget which was emailed to the board with today's agenda.
 - ii. A motion to approve the 2015/2016 budget was made by Richard Conroy and seconded by Peter Ciparelli, motion passed unanimously.
 - iii. Beth reminded everyone that section workshops need to break even financially or make a small profit in order to support the organization; advocacy materials, etc. Also, expense forms need to be filled out accurately and submitted punctually.
 - iv. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Karen Jensen and seconded by Richard Conroy, motion was passed unanimously.
5. New Business
 - a. StarChapter board login - Jenn Datum
 - i. In order to deal with login issues, StarChapter has advised Jenn that unique usernames and passwords must be created for each CLA position. Jenn is currently working on this and will be emailing each person to help them through the process. Beth reminded everyone StarChapter is a great way to communicate with your membership groups.
6. CCM 2015 Convention Proposal Request for Workshop – Dawn Lavallo
 - a. Dawn Lavallo proposes that a presentation of trends and challenges facing the library community, based on the Aspen Institute model, be made during the CCM 2015 Convention in October. Beth Crowley presented this idea on Dawn's behalf and made a motion to approve the request, which was seconded by Peter Ciparelli. The motion passed unanimously.
7. Invitation to attend Access to Justice: a panel discussion with Librarians in the legal community - Beth Crowley
 - a. Beth extended an invitation to attend a panel discussion to take place on September 16th at UConn's School of Law in Hartford.
8. Committee/Section/Roundtable/Regional Representatives Reports:
 - a. Career Development: Richard Conroy
 - b. Children's: Kymberlee Powe
 - i. Currently making plans for a Children's Section meeting in October with new Co-chair, Sunnie Scarpa.
 - c. College & University: Kristina Edwards
 - i. CT Info Lit Conference was pretty successful, we had 120 attendees. Finishing up getting all the reimbursement paperwork in for the CT Info Lit Conference to

Nicole. Kristina has taken over as chair for Martha and is working on the transition and getting up to date with all the procedures and processes. We will be looking to update and modify the CULS By-Laws this year to account for the CT Info Lit Conference. Kristina is hoping to make sure that multiple topics in academic librarianship are covered and ensure that information literacy is not the only topic covered by CULS programming.

- d. CLASS: Lorrie Goings
- e. Conference 2016: Katy Dillman & Thomas Piezzo
- f. Editorial: Jenn Datum
- g. Intellectual Freedom: Kara Gilbert
- h. Legislative: Beth Crowley noted that our lobbyist has been asked to set up meetings with key legislators, attend our August orientation, and think about messaging to keep our positive momentum going.
- i. Membership: Cindy Schofield
- j. NELA: Gail Hurley
 - i. A slate of officers is being put together and a ballot will be sent out to NELA members before the end of August. NELLs, the New England Library Leadership Symposium occurs every other year and will be held this summer from August 3-7 at Rolling Ridge in North Andover. There are three attendees from Connecticut. The deadline for nominating someone for the Emerson Greenaway award is Wednesday, July 15. Nominees must have had an impact on the library field both in their own state and in New England, be or have been a NELA member, and have made a major contribution to the field of librarianship. Please send any nominations to Beth Crowley or Gail Hurley. The award is presented at the annual conference which will be in Manchester, New Hampshire, October 25-27.
- k. PEG: Peter Ciparelli
- l. Procedures: Christine Angeli
- m. Resource Sharing: Steve Cauffman
- n. Reference & Adult Services: Allison Wilkos
 - i. We will be meeting on Tuesday, July 15 to discuss ideas for our annual fall program, review/approve our committee bylaws, and elect officers.
- o. Technical Services: Laurie Haggan
 - i. We did not meet in June, but have been communicating via email regarding our fall conference. I have received confirmation from Amber Billy, of the University of Vermont that she would like to present on linked data and BIBFRAME. She is also contacting catalogers currently doing beta-testing of linked data for the Library of Congress. Amber does not charge a fee, but would like to be reimbursed for room/board. OCLC declined to present. Our next meeting is scheduled for July 21st at the Middletown Library Service Center. Dana Hanford, from CCSU will be doing a brief demo of PDA practices at her institution.
- p. Young Adult: Lorna Rhyins
 - i. Cathleen Cole resigned as co-chair so I am looking for a new co-chair. The CLA YA section meeting is scheduled for Friday, November 13th at the Wallingford Public Library. Linda Williams from the State Library has offered to coordinate a complete series of speakers for a discussion about teen summer reading for the Wallingford event. The YA section will be responsible for invitations and the luncheon, but Linda will take care of everything related to the speakers.

- q. Region 1: Sue Dowdell
 - i. Oxford's Board of Selectmen has approved sending a 10,000 sq ft library project to its Board of Finance. Kent Memorial Library is a small private library association library in the northwest corner of the state. Their director, Donna Miller, is very concerned about losing our State Aid Grant and CCARD reimbursement from the State. Their amount was only \$1,865 last year that we received, but to a tiny library this is a big budget hit. The Town of Kent only provides 30% of our library's operating budget, and they have to fundraise for the other 70%, which is extremely time consuming and labor intensive. Concerned they may not get anything. Their director thinks CLA should be aware that this is especially difficult for the very small libraries in the state.
- r. Region 2: Marjorie Ruschau
- s. Region 3: Janice Wilson
- t. Region 4: Kymberlee Powe
 - i. Norwalk Public Library - The Sounds of Summer at the Library is a mix of deep country folk songs with touches of bluegrass, roots, Americana, a little spicy Cajun, and even a little indie with an effects-laced lead acoustic guitar. Also performing, the NextGen Chorus. The Norwalk Next Generation Chorus (also know as "NGC") is comprised of young aspiring singers and musicians ranging from ages 10 to 16.
 - ii. Here's the summer highlights that's going on at Greenwich Library this summer: MOOC "Dubliners" By Joyce: Berkeley X Book Club (Monday afternoons July 7-28, 2-4 pm) What are MOOCs? MOOC stands for Massively Open Online Course. MOOCs are free courses that are delivered electronically to massive audiences. This course will examine James Joyce's collection of fifteen short stories called simply Dubliners and will include video lectures and discussion. It is the 100th anniversary of this classic book and your opportunity to audit this course for free and have complete access to all the course material, activities, tests, and forums. Registration required. As part of Teen Summer Reading, we will be having the following programs: Comic Book Swap Day (July 11) Make Your Own Comic Book Workshop (July 18) Superhero Movie Event: "Captain America: The Winter Soldier" (July 25) Teen Summer Reading Finale Movie Party (August 8) Children's Summer Reading programs include the following: "Young Hercules Presented By Robert Rogers Puppets" (July 25) Summer Reading Finale: The Real Super Power Play (August 8) Basic Computing: Internet (August 21) Drop In Computer Labs are held for the public every Tuesday and Saturday at 11am-noon, and Thursdays between 3-4 for patrons who have questions about computers, ereaders, etc.
- u. Region 5: Christy Billings
 - i. Essex Library recently installed a new digital bulletin board in its lobby that was paid for by a grant from Guilford Savings Bank.
 - ii. Portland: *Adult Lunch and Learn Celebrating 300 Years of Remarkable Women* - Part of "Escape the Ordinary," Portland Library's Adult Summer Reading Programs Tuesday, July 14th 12PM-1PM. Be inspired as you learn about well-known figures like Ella Grasso, Katharine Hepburn and Marian Anderson and lesser known heroines like Maria Sanchez, Barbara McClintock and Hannah Watson. Sponsored by the Friends of the Portland Library. *Introductory Salsa Lesson* Monday, July 20th 6:30PM-7:30PM "Escape the Ordinary," with Dr.

Michael Clark, Dance Instructor from Vinnie's Jump and Jive. Dr. Michael Clark has been dancing salsa for twelve years and performing for eight. He currently tours nationally and internationally with Descarga Latina Ritmo Ysabor. He is New-York trained and teaches "New York Club style On 2." Sponsored by the Friends of Portland Library! *Choose Your Own Apocalypse Survival Hunt* Thursday July 23, 2015 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM Join us for an afternoon of mayhem, confusion and fun. Gather a team of 4 or less (or register yourself and we will put you into a team) and test your wits and knowledge against our game masters in a scavenger/clue hunt that will take you out and about the downtown area. *You choose what type of apocalypse you want to attempt to survive: zombies or natural disaster.* We'll send you around downtown to find and gather the items we think are necessary for you to survive your chosen apocalypse. Scenario ideas are inspired directly from young adult books that you love. A display of books used in the hunt will be available for loan all summer long. Know your stories, know your trivia, and you just may survive! This program is for students going into 6th grade and up. Space is limited. Registration is required and begins on June 1, 2015.

- iii. Cromwell Belden Public Library Wednesday July 1 2:00 P.M. "Cool" Travel Videos: Denmark – Copenhagen & Beyond Wednesday July 8 2:00 P.M. "Cool" Travel Videos: Alaska Wednesday July 15 2:00 P.M. "Cool" Travel Videos: Oslo, Bergen, Stockholm & Helsinki Wednesday July 22 2:00 P.M. "Cool" Travel Videos: Idaho Wednesday July 29 2:00 P.M. "Cool" Travel Videos: Masters of the Arctic Ice
- iv. Middlefield Levi Coe Library: The Levi Coe Library in Middlefield was awarded a grant from the The Cuginchaug Valley Education Foundation. The library will create for "Hobby-to-Go Kits" that can be checked out with a library card.
- v. Woodbridge Town Library *Natural Living Workshop with Cruncybits* Wednesday, July 8 @ 7pm - We often unknowingly bring chemicals into our home in the outdoors in the form of beauty products, cleaning agents, and more. Join us on Wednesday, July 8 @ 7pm and learn about natural alternatives you can use and make your own natural cleaner you can take home with you! The Farmers' Market opens every other Wednesday between the library and the firehouse, beginning June 24th from 4PM-7PM. (July 8th & 22nd, Aug 5th & 19th Sept 2nd) Rain or shine.
- vi. Russell Library Adult Summer Reading Program: "*Escape the Ordinary*" Write book reviews or complete Bingo board lines to earn tickets for weekly prize drawings! Complete an entire Bingo board to earn a voucher for a free book at the Friends of Russell Library book sale. Post a photo with Captain America to our Facebook page to earn an extra drawing ticket. \$25 gift cards will be awarded weekly. Active participants will be entered to win a Kindle at summer's end. Russell Library, Cromwell Belden Library, and Portland Library are pleased to join forces to host One Book events in the coming year. The new name will be changed from One Book One Middletown to One Book One Riverbend. The 2016 title is *To Kill A Mockingbird* by Harper Lee. Events are TBA but will include a discussion of *Go Set a Watchman*, Harper Lee's second novel.

v. Region 6: Kate Byroade

- 9. Beth Crowley adjourned the meeting at 11:04am. This motion was made by Kate Byroade and seconded by Peter Ciparelli, and passed unanimously.

Attendance: Laurie Haggan, Kristina Edwards, Gail Hurley, Peter Ciparelli, Richard Conroy, Bernadette Niedermeier, Kara Gilbert, Marge Ruschau, Lorna Rhyins, Christy Billings, Janice Wilson, Chris Angeli, Jennifer Datum, Cindy Schofield, Nicole Greco, Sue Dowdell, Beth Crowley, Steve Cauffman, Tom Piezzo, Karen Jensen, Katy Dillman, Kymberlee Powe, Sunnie Scarpa, Lorrie Goings, Kate Byroade, Allison Wilkos, Lisa Mann, Ellen Cartledge.

The next regular meeting of the CLA Board will on Thursday, September 3rd at the Middletown Library Service Center. There will be a board orientation on Thursday, August 6th at the MLSC.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sunnie Scarpa, Recording Secretary.