

Connecticut Library Association Board Meeting

Thursday, October 6th, 2016

Middletown Library Service Center

1. Karen Jensen called the meeting to order at 10:00am.
2. The minutes from the September 1st meeting were approved, with changes. The motion was made by Peter Ciparelli, seconded by Carl Antonucci, and passed unanimously.
3. Old Business
 - a. President's Report – Karen announced that Genevieve Francis from Bibliomation is joining us for the first time today. Britta Santamauro from the Chase Collegiate School in Waterbury will be the new Region 1 Rep. She will join us next month. The MA Library Association annual conference will be held from May 22nd-24th, 2017 in Hyannis, MA. CT librarians are welcome to attend.
 - b. Treasurer's Report – The current P&L Budget performance sheet shows a net profit of \$722.00. The net profit should remain more or less in the hundreds as the year progresses with normal expenditures and income. The Executive Committee along with Jen Datum and Jennifer Keohane reviewed the list of non-paid and open receipts provided by Lisa Mann. It was decided by the Executive Committee to waive the amounts occurring prior to this fiscal year. Lisa has provided us with a new current report for this year and we will be able to keep a track of open accounts readily. As CLA Treasurer, Scott signed a current Letter of Engagement with our CPA firm, Hoyt, Filippetti & Malaghan, LLC to have them continue their services for us, which primarily entail filing the proper Income Tax forms for CLA. A motion to approve the Treasurer's report was made by Kara Gilbert, seconded by Carl Antonucci, and passed unanimously.
4. New Business
 - a. Committee/Section/Roundtable/Regional Representatives Reports
 - b. The ACLB newsletter will be coming out in a week. They will also be holding a leadership conference on November 4th.
 - c. ADA: Maria Bernier gave a reminder that the ADA "Library Access for All" will take place on November 1st from 9-12:30 at the West Haven Public Library.
 - d. Career Development: Richard Conroy reported that the first committee meeting was held and a date was set for the next Leadership Conference - August 4th, 2017. CT salary standards will be discussed at the next meeting.
 - e. CLC: Ellen Paul highlighted some new promotions including BrainHQ and Stack Map. A call will be going out for participation in the RFP process for non-print media contracts. Promotions for current discounts will be going out soon too, as a reminder of all that's offered.
 - f. Commission on Educational Technology: Colleen Baile told us about their recent meeting to discuss upcoming changes. Scott Taylor will be leaving CEN. Sixty-two libraries are going forward with fiber, sixteen are taking advantage of e-rate. A proposal regarding

student standards and other updates will be posted on the website soon. Ideas are being discussed to bring internet connectivity into the hands of all students in the state. Their next meeting will be in December.

- g. CSL: Ken Wiggin told us that Maria has planned webinars regarding filtering. CSL is working on new policies regarding this issue. At their board meeting last week the first fiber grants were approved and letters are going out to legislators today to announce those grants. At the recent bond commission meeting, Cheshire and Derby both received construction grants. The CSL board will hold a special meeting soon to focus on the delivery service. The new consultant will be there to discuss issues. ACLPD will be voting on two new task forces this month – short term delivery service issues and long term sustainability and vision. Open educational resources issues are being brought up for awareness and education.
- h. Children's: Sunnie Scarpa & Danielle Valenzano reported that the annual Children's workshop/meeting will be held tomorrow. Bylaws will be voted on and brought to the next board meeting. There was discussion on how to handle outstanding invoices on the day of the workshop.
- i. College & University: Kristina Edwards reported that CULS is working on their fall program. Committee discussion has led them to work on connecting with academic librarians and school librarians. The planning process is underway for the InfoLit conference June 16th at Manchester Community College.
- j. Conference 2016: Kristina Edwards told us the conference committee is looking for keynote speakers. Exhibitor chairs are also working on getting exciting exhibitors. Four program proposals have been sent in so far.
- k. Customer Service: Ellen Cartledge-Janpol & Lisa Karim let us know that there is still space available for their next workshop at the WPL. Two program proposals are in the works on the topics of burn-out, presentations, and branding.
- l. Editorial: Jen Datum told us the new newsletter is coming out next week. Please send people news. The website is always a work in progress. There is now a board chart, CLA/CLC information, etc. Jen gave a gentle reminder that if you're using StarChapter to send out emails, you should use the member list only, not the non-member list.
- m. FOCL: Frank Ridley reported their fall conference will take place on November 19th, speakers will include the President of NELA, a session on advocacy with Kate Robinson, a report on a recent survey of friends groups across the state, and the use of SquareUp. Registration is on their website, the deadline is November 11th. The state board is looking for new members from the Northeast and Northwest areas of the state.
- n. Intellectual Freedom: Kara Gilbert reported that Freedom to Read week went very well, as did the celebration of diverse authors. There was a great Op Ed in the Hartford Courant regarding libraries. Many thanks to all those who contributed to this effort.
- o. Legislative: Carl Antonucci & Mary Etter were busy working with the ALA Washington office before the aforementioned Op Ed. The experience was very successful, both in highlighting the issue in CT and solidifying relationships between CLA and the ALA office.
- p. NELA: Gail Hurley told us the NELA conference is about a week away. The deadline for the banquet is this Friday. Pre-conference program will be held with the keynote

speaker. A wine toss fundraiser will be held before the opening banquet. The winner of the Emerson Greenaway award this year is Dr. Cheryl Ann McCarthy from URI. The ME library association conference is Nov. 14th & 15th. The Academic library association conference is Nov. 18th. The NELA Children's Section needs a CT Representative. Please let Gail know if you know someone who may be interested. The new NETSL rep is Kari Swanson of Southern CT State University and the new treasurer is Yukari Sukiya of Yale. The NELA extended membership plan has been moving forward. MA was just finished, RI is next, and then it will be our turn.

- q. PEG: Peter Ciparelli said not too much is going on right now, there is an autumn lull, but a few new applications will be coming in soon. Remind staff that they have money to give away!
- r. Publicity: Julie Ann Menders reported their first meeting was about a month ago. There were new committee members. The showcase is planned for the Spring. Applications for CLA publicity awards will be going out soon. During the first two weeks of April there will be a library display at the Capitol building.
- s. Public Library: Lorna Rhyins let us know that their annual meetup will be held on October 20th. The topic will be making your library more user friendly. They are currently working with Maxine Bleiweis on a strategic planning proposal for the CLA conference.
- t. Reference & Adult Services: Lisa Gugliotti told us their next meeting will be Friday October 21st in Clinton. Topics will be low or no budget programs, brainstorming session, novel writing, and using social media for promoting events.
- u. SCSU: Arlene Bielefield reported that the new MLIS program started this semester and is off to a great start with Media Specialists, MLIS students, and non-matriculating students. They finished the first draft of the report due to the Accreditation Committee in December and are now working on some edits from their consultant before sending it to SCSU Administration for review. The projected timeline is for accreditation to be approved in 2020.
- v. Technical Services: Laurie Haggan told us that November 9th is their fall workshop at the University of Hartford. They are working on five proposals for the annual conference.
- w. Region 1: The Goshen library won \$1,000 from Sisters in Crime to buy books (Karen)
- x. Region 2: Avon Free Public Library – Will be presenting: POLITICS! Three dialogues, Five Elections that didn't go as planned, with Dr. Matthew Warshauer, CCSU, Thursday, 9/29, The Rhetoric of Campaigns, with Dr. Cindy White, CCSU, Tuesday, 10/25, All events start at 6:30pm in the Community Room Berlin Peck Library – Will be presenting: “A Stroll Through Italy, Past, Present, and Future”. Tuesday, Oct. 4, 6:30 pm. Take a virtual “passeggiata” (stroll) through the most wonderful parts of Italy with our presenter, Mariann Millard, a certified tour director and dual US/Italian citizen. Share family history. Enjoy personal anecdotes and tidbits about long-lost relatives and work experiences. Bristol – Will be “Celebrating Cole Porter’s 125th Birthday!” in October during their Coffee House. Burlington Public Library – Is doing a Stay Connected with the Library Contest. Starting Saturday, October 1, follow them on your phone on Instagram and/or Pinterest. The first 20 people will receive a “I love CT Libraries” tote bag. Canton Public Library – Is beginning a new Art Smarts: A STEAM Program for Children on Mondays throughout October. ART SMARTS is a chance for younger children to learn

STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and math) skills! East Granby Public Library – Is presenting a program Creating the Life You Want on October 19th. East Hartford Raymond Library – Is having members of the Greater Hartford Legal Aid at the Library on Thursdays and Fridays in October, 9:00am to 1:00pm. East Windsor Warehouse Point Library – The Friends of the Library \$6 a bag book sale will be held through October 7th. Enfield – Will be doing a program Introduction to American Indian Music with Craig Harris on October 19th. Learn about how musicians create new sounds while preserving old roots. On October 5th there will be Historical Songs of Outlaws, Villains and Rogues with Rick Spencer. Those are ballads that tell the stories of Captain Kidd, Jesse James, and others. Farmington Public Library – Is holding a Dementia Caregivers Workshop Series. Part one is an Overview of Dementia held by Hartford Healthcare's Center for Healthy Aging. These workshops will run from October 6 - November 3. Glastonbury Welles Turner Library – Will celebrate the first national Indie Author Day with the program The Memoir: Fact or Fiction? on Saturday, October 8 from 11-3 pm. Granby Public Library – Will present a lecture on Cultural History of Granby at Cossitt Library on October 16, 2016 at 9:00 AM. It's another program in a series celebrating Cossitt Library's 125th anniversary! Join local historians Mark Williams and Ginny Wutka as they look back at what it meant when 46 cider distilleries operated in one small town. Hartford Public Library – Is having Mark Sheridan leading a discussion of the analysis of Sylvia Plath's October Poems, including "Fever 103," "Lady Lazarus," "Daddy," and "The Arrival of the Bee Box." The group will enhance their appreciation of Plath's unique fusion of the confessional, feminist, and gothic genres. Manchester Public Library – Continues with its Take Apart Tuesdays at Cheney Library. This program, for middle and high school students, gives teens a chance to take apart old toys and electronics, try coding and more! They will also be holding a Pokémon GO Walk on Saturday, October 22nd. New Britain Public Library - Cookies & Coloring Club: A Club for Adults continues meeting on Wednesdays. On October 20 their Third Thursday Theater: Book to Movie Challenge will be held at 1:00pm. Newington Lucy Robbins Welles Library – The Library's Made in Connecticut series continues with Tschudin Chocolates and Confections of Middletown on October 17. Rob Tschudin will talk about his hand-made chocolates and sculptures which feature the finest ingredients including, local honeys and herbs and top-shelf spirits. Samples will be provided. Registration is required. Plainville Public Library – Will host members of The New Britain Symphony Orchestra on October 18. Daniel Salazar on guitar and Gonzalo Cortes on flute will present a Latin inspired performance featuring new and traditional music that will evoke the mysteries and power of the ancient civilizations of the Americas. Rocky Hill Cora Belden Library – On Tuesday, October 18, The "Jim Scianna Jazz Trio" Presents...A TRIBUTE TO NAT KING COLE at the Library. They will play songs and arrangements in the style of vocalist, pianist and band leader Nat King Cole. Simsbury Public Library – Will be holding a Paint Night with Lori Racicot-Burrous on Thursday October 6th at the Maple Tree Café on Hopmeadow Street. Relax with new and old friends! Get step-by-step instructions to paint a colorful 11 x 14 scene of birch trees in the fall. South Windsor Public Library - Nithya Kannan will delight participants on October 29 with a demonstration of Classical Indian dances. All ages are welcome. and no registration is necessary. Southington Public Library – Will be honoring October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. MidState's Breast Cancer Risk Assessment Program (BRCA) will provide the tools to help people make informed decisions to lower their overall risk. Suffield Kent Memorial Library – Will be holding a Raise a Glass to the Forgotten Drinks of New England Colonists at the Hatheway House on November 5th. West Hartford Noah Webster Library – Will present an Author

Reading/Talk: Jessica Pierce on her book *Run, Spot, Run : The Ethics of Keeping Pets* on October 19 at the Main Library. Through a mix of personal stories, philosophical reflections, and scientifically informed analyses of animal behavior and natural history, author Jessica Pierce puts pet-keeping to the test. Wethersfield Public Library – Is having FANDOM FUN! for all ages this October. This month's theme is everyone's favorite – LEGO! Drop-in anytime between 10-3 pm to complete activities based on popular characters or brands. Windsor Locks Public Library – Their Vintage Book Club will be meeting on October 18. "Vintage" books are not historical fiction. They are novels, written years ago, that were significant at the time of publication and that still resonate with today's readers. Windsor Public Library - Silk'n Sounds, the Greater New Haven's premier women's a cappella chorus will be singing on October 16 at the Library. Their repertoire consists of Broadway with playful jazz, accented by cool chord progression and sweet rhythms.

- y. Peter Ciparelli announced that the Killingly Public Library's new meeting room was dedicated to Marie Chartier on September 18th.
5. Karen Jensen adjourned the meeting at 10:55am. The motion was made by Carl Antonucci, seconded by Peter Ciparelli, and passed unanimously.

Attendance: Danielle Valenzano, Betty Anne Reiter, Genevieve Francis, Colleen Baille, Ken Wiggin, Mary Etter, Glenn Grube, Lisa Karim, Carl Antonucci, Peter Ciparelli, Ellen Paul, Susan Ray, Drusilla Carter, Lorna Rhyins, Ellen Cartledge-Janpol, Gerald Seagrave, Kristina Edwards, Christy Billings, Jennifer Datum, Scott Brill, Karen Jensen, Richard Conroy, Kym Powe, Stephen Cauffman, Maria Bernier, Gail Hurley, Lisa Gugliotti, Laurie Haggan, Chris Angeli, Frank W. Ridley, Arlene Bielefield, Julie Mendes, Kara Gilber, Sara Martone.

The next regular meeting of the CLA Board will on Thursday, November 3rd, 2016 at the Middletown Library Service Center.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sunnie Scarpa, Recording Secretary.