I. Beth Crowley, CLA President, called the meeting to order at 8:34am.

II. CLA annual review-Beth Crowley
   a. Reflecting on the past year:
      i. CLA hired a new lobbying firm, Gallo & Robinson.
      ii. Fact sheets and advocacy have had a good educational effect on legislators in Hartford, please continue to discuss the importance of libraries with your local legislators.
      iii. Beth testified at the Appropriations Committee meeting along with several other librarians.
      iv. CLA hired Libby Post to offer advocacy training workshops in each of the 6 CLA Regions.
      v. CLA worked with Three Rivers Community College to advocate for their LTA program, which will be moving online instead of being cancelled.
      vi. Beth wrote a letter to President Obama and all CT Representatives in Washington to support appointing a degreed Librarian as the next Librarian of Congress.
      vii. Beth also wrote a letter in support of continued funding for the Radio Service for the Library of the Blind and the Disabled.
      viii. CLA joined in the efforts of a new coalition called CT Places Matter.
   b. Stepping into the future:
      i. CLA is currently looking into bylaws revisions.
      ii. Next year in her role as the immediate Past President, Beth will be looking for ways to increase CLA membership and engagement.
      iii. Beth will also be involved as the Conference Committee continues to evaluate the evolution of the annual conference.
      iv. Thank you to Ken Wiggin, Dawn LaValle, Jennifer Keohane and CLC, Kate Robinson, Bobby Shea, all the Section and Committee Chairs, Karen Jensen and CLA members.

III. The minutes from the 2015 annual meeting were approved, with changes. The motion was made by Karen Jensen, seconded by Richard Conroy and passed unanimously.

IV. Treasurer’s Report – Karen Jensen, CLA President Elect/Interim Treasurer
   a. Financial statements are in good shape and we’re on target to finish out the fiscal year as planned.
   b. A motion to approve the Treasurer’s report was made by Kate Byroade, seconded by Kym Powe and passed unanimously.
V. New Business
   a. CLA Bylaws Revisions – Christine Angeli, CLA Procedures Chair
      i. Chris gave notice of an upcoming vote for 3 changes to the bylaws. All personal members of CLA will receive an email ballot in the coming weeks and have 30 days to complete the voting process.

VI. Presentation of 2016-2017 candidates for CLA Office – Dawn LaValle, CLA Past President/Nominations Chair
   a. Vice President/President Elect - Glenn Grube
   b. Treasurer - Scott Brill
   c. Region 2 Representative - Susan Ray
   d. Region 3 Representative - Drusilla Carter and Elizabeth Thornton
   e. Region 6 Representative - no nominations

VII. Beth Crowley adjourned the meeting at 8:51am
   a. The motion was made by Sheri Szymanski, seconded by Chris Angeli and passed unanimously.