

Library Association of Rockland County
Minutes
Executive Board Meeting
April 21, 2016

Present: Anthony Hosmer, Danielle Connolly, Joann Arendes, Jane Marino, Brian Jennings, Maria Gagliardi, Jessica Bowen, Patricia Soto, Carol Connell Cannon,

Absent: Tracy Allen, Jim Farrell, Jennifer Daddio

CALL TO ORDER – 10:08. Meeting called to order by C. Connell Cannon.

1. MINUTES of March 17, 2016. Motion to approve M. Gagliardi. Second J. Bowen. Approved.

2. TREASURER'S REPORT – J. Arendes presented the Treasurer's Report. J. Marino made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Second M. Gagliardi. Approved. Discussion of slow response to letter for funding the LARC award.

3. DIVISION REPORTS

a. Adult Services – B. Jennings reported on the oral history basic training held at Valley Cottage library yesterday. Focus was on how to use equipment, There are three volunteers who will work on minority histories. They are Constance Fraser, Brenda Ross and Frances Reed. There will be a training in June to focus on African American history and how to develop questions. B. Jennings will conduct future training sessions. Possible training session in the Fall with Eileen. It will be devoted to editing and producing short clips. There was a discussion on where stories will be stored. They could be housed by each library for branding purposes or by LARC. HRVH will house full recordings. B. Jennings spoke about additional potential contacts for oral history. Alexandra Wrenn will photograph, pro bono, oral history interviewees and display these at the Garnerville arts Festival. She will also take head shots of any interested participants at the Annual Meeting. She will arrive early to facilitate the process. Photos will be uploaded to a site and she will give people the link to the site. B. Jennings presented a proposal for her to attend the annual meeting for 3 hours and take photos for a total fee of \$375.00. M. Gagliardi made motion to accept the proposal. Second J. Marino. Passed. Discussion of digitizing the Journal News. Ed Forbes at the Journal News emailed B. Jennings expressing delight with project and asked, "How can we help"? Concern expressed with copyright status/statement. Earliest issue we plan to digitize is 1945. B. Jennings will contact Hudson Imaging to get a price quote for the project and bring it to the May board meeting. Unresolved question on how to incorporate video on oral history clips into anniversary presentations.

b. Teen Services – Everyone is invited to the SCRAWL book launch on Friday, Mar 20, 2016 at the Valley Cottage library,

c. Youth Services – D. Connolly reported that the next meeting of Youth Services is scheduled for May 13th. There were 37 participants at the author presentation. The author discussed research for next children's book and addressed the research process for a non-fiction children's book.

d. Advocates – No report.

4. OLD BUSINESS

a. Annual Meeting – committee to meet next week to finalize details. Brian Kinney is the speaker. The meeting will take place on Friday, June 10, 2016 at New City Library. Items needed for annual meeting include scholarship recipient information, division chair reports and year end profit/loss statement for 2015.

b. By-laws review – M. Gagliardi presented and reviewed a final draft of proposed changes to by-laws. Motion to accept and recommend changes to membership by j. Marino. Second j. Bowen. Passed .
Letter to be sent to Jennifer brown terminating her term on the board.

c. Rockland County Funding – We have been awarded \$38,000.00 for this year. New procedure utilizes a voucher and requests a list of proposed projects and expenditures. This was due April 1, 2016. C. Connell Cannon prepared a projection requesting \$18,000.00 for first half of year.

d. Membership applications - A few libraries do not pay for membership and emails were sent to individuals affected. Blauvelt, Rose Memorial, Sloatsburg and Pearl River were contacted for membership dues for their staff. Email list to be sent via mail chimp as there seems to be a problem with the general RCLS/LARC list.

e. Conference - WLA invited us to have a vendor table at their conference. Items to include: schedule of hours, LARC bags, and annual meeting flyer. J. Bowen proposed purchase of a 6 foot white tablecloth to use with the LARC runner. M. Gagliardi made a motion to spend up to \$50.00 on tablecloth. Second J. Marino. Passed.

f. LARC/OLA – Decided at last meeting that this is not a LARC thing.

g. Scholarship Committee – No report.

h. Book Repair – four spots left for this event. These will be left open for last minute participants. There is a \$50.00 budget for refreshments.

i. LARC Book Award – J. Bowen reported that preliminary flyer for authors was distributed. Application is not available yet. PDF of flyer to go on LARC website. Rockland directors to be contacted to forward flyer to their adult services librarians.

NEW BUSINESS

None

Motion to adjourn M. Gagliardi. Second J. Marino. Passed. Meeting adjourned at 11:40

Next meeting May 19, 2016. Location – to be confirmed.

Anthony Hosmer,
Secretary