

LIBRARY ASSOCIATION OF ROCKLAND COUNTY
Executive Board Meeting, November 20, 2008
Valley Cottage Library

Present: Amelia Kalin, Jack Brand, Joanne Sininsky, Sara Nugent, Anthony Hosmer, Tom Berman, Ruth Bolin, Janet Lukas, and Melinda Watkins

REMINDER – NEW TIME – Coffee and meeting at 9:30 AM

1. CALL TO ORDER- 9:42 by R. Bolin
2. MINUTES OF October 16, 2008- A. Kalin – motion to accept with typos to be corrected. S. Nugent seconded.
3. TREASURER'S REPORT- motion to approve for November by A. Kalin, seconded by M. Watkins.
4. DIVISION REPORTS
 - Adult Services-
 - Programming ideas for 2009 or LARC Conference:
 - NYLA SMART- presentation about Tech Services for librarians
 - Workshops on building Dewey numbers
 - Interpreting body language when serving patrons
 - Customer service
 - Library legality concerning children
 - What new librarians are learning in library school
 - Speakers: Richard Russo or Robert Parker?
 - Programming ideas for Adult Services for 2009
 - What's new in Tech Services
 - Going to West Point in March
 - Author Program
 - Rockland Resources/ Social Services in the County
 - Advocates – Jerry Nichols October 27, 2008 – Nanuet Library- successful. About 35 people attended.
 - Youth Services –
 - December Author Program upcoming with Illustrator/Author Raul Colon at New City.
 - Focus Topic for November: Graphic novels for children presented at Blauvelt Library by Marybeth Darnobid.
 - Fall into Books was very successful. Author Jack Gantos was an entertaining speaker.
 - Spring professional development, possible trip to publisher Marshal Cavendish.
 - Give a kid a book program throughout November.
 - Lauren Cully will be the Youth Services representative on the LARC conference committee.

5. COUNTYWIDE PROJECTS

- Rockland Images – Sally has contacted Tomkins Cove and Nyack. Need to decide if there will be a second round.
- Homebound Delivery- Bags are delivered, though the LARC website was left off. Tom will try to see if the bags can be free. He sent a letter to each postmaster. He will print an info packet to distribute, and conduct a survey to see which libraries would like to participate. Bags will be divided equally among participating libraries.
- Schedule of Library Hours – distributed.

6. OLD BUSINESS

- Conference 2009- April 27, 2009-
 - Committee- J. Sininsky, S. Nugent, A. Kalin, Erica Grodin, Lauren Cully, Grace Riario, Susan Schuler
 - J. Brand has asked Maurice Sendak to sign some books for prizes.
- Status of website- Committee met. Changes will be made for next meeting.

7. NEW BUSINESS

- National Library Week ideas- for next month.
- Projects for 2009?- Customer Service training?
- Rockland County Times- for next month
- Membership applications are going out

8. NEXT MEETING – December 18, 2008 9 :30 Valley Cottage

9. ADJOURNMENT- S. Nugent motion to adjourn. R. Bolin seconded.