

NEW HAMPSHIRE LIBRARY TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Local Government Center, Concord, NH
FEBRUARY 6, 2013

Present: Knight, Webster, Cotter, Moses, Kirwin, Snelling, Meserve, Davis, Gilbert, Gaudiello and Hallenbeck

Excused: Burchstead, Solon, Lord,

Guest: Michael York, Edelmann.

Meeting called to order by the President, Adele Knight, at 10:00 a.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was not recited because there was no flag.

MOTION (Meserve/Cotter) Minutes of January 2, 2013 approved. **PASSED**

Treasurer's report emailed, see attached.

- Meserve questioned putting the sponsorships under the Conference rather than donations. **MOTION** (Cotter/Gaudiello) that a line item be created for sponsorships, a subaccount under the Conference line.
- **MOTION** (Cotter/Hallenbeck) Treasurer's report accepted and filed for audit. **PASSED**.

REPORTS

Communications Committee: The flyer for the conference will be mailed the end of February. The deadline for the newsletter is March 6th.

Education Committee: Report distributed, see attached.

- Gaudiello has questioned the value of video taping workshops. Hallenbeck requested that a member of the education committee work with him in editing our videos.
- Cotter suggested that we create a library of DVD's on the workshops to lend out to Trustees. Davis suggested that we make the DVD's available this year and see what the response is.
- Sponsorship: Gaudiello reported that we have a total of 12 sponsors. All have paid except one. Five workshops left to sell. \$4150 has been raised so far.

Finance Committee: no report

Fundraising Committee: Report emailed, see attached. Cotter stressed that the board needs to be financially vested in NHLTA. (Kirwin/Davis) **MOTION:** that we approve the fundraising plan as detailed in the Fundraising report. **PASSED**

Governance Committee: Report emailed, see attached. Webster reported that they are working on filling three seats on the NHLTA Board of Trustees.

Legislative Committee: Gaudiello will be assuming the Chair responsibilities of the Legislative committee.

- Gaudiello reported that everything went very smoothly yesterday at the hearing for HB 436. The House Municipal and County Government committee will decide on the bill in two weeks.

- The bill to eliminate the Department of Cultural Resources (HB561) had a hearing yesterday and will probably go nowhere.
- (Gaudiello/Cotter) MOTION: that we ratify the electronic vote in opposition to HB 436 relative to the governance of the libraries. Cotter suggested that any electronic poll be ratified at the next board meeting. PASSED
- (Gaudiello/Cotter) MOTION: NHLTA opposes HB 561, the bill to eliminate the Department of Cultural Resources. PASSED.
- Hallenbeck stressed that we need to make sure local library trustees, who are in the districts of HB 436 and HB 561 committee members, are contacting their legislators. Hallenbeck will send emails and Cotter will call to remind the local trustees to contact their representative.

NHLA Liaison: no report

President: Report: emailed. Knight wants to especially acknowledge Susan Gaudiello, David Hallenbeck and Connie Kirwin for lending their expertise and outstanding commitment to the call for action regarding HB 436.

State Library: York reported the State Library has hired a new reference librarian. He complimented the group that went to the hearing yesterday.

Technology Committee: no report

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Membership services Kirwin, Knight and Meserve met with Cornerstone on procedures. They got suggestions of other venues for our conference. Gaudiello suggested we find out how much Cornerstone would charge to do our bookkeeping.
2. Advocacy used well in opposition to the house bills yesterday. Gaudiello said that we need to work on a plan to move forward. Davis and Moses will work on that before our next meeting. Cotter stressed that local Trustees need to have a personal relationship with their Selectboard members.
3. Sponsorships: see Education Committee report above.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Legislation see above
2. “Shop Talk” Role playing problem scenarios; a chance to share and discuss any concerns always keeping it anonymous.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Snelling, Secretary

Next meeting March 6 at the LGC

MOTIONS:

1. Minutes

2. Treasurer's report
3. That a line item be created for sponsorships, a subaccount under the Conference line.
4. That we approve the fundraising plan as detailed in the Fundraising report.
5. That we ratify the electronic vote in opposition to HB 436 relative to the governance of the libraries.
6. NHLTA oppose HB 561 relative to the Cultural Resources.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. A line item be created for sponsorships, a subaccount under the Conference line.
2. Hallenbeck requested that a member of the education committee work with him in editing our videos
3. Hallenbeck will send emails and Cotter will call to remind the local trustees to contact their representative
4. Find out how much Cornerstone would charge to do our bookkeeping.
5. Davis and Moses will work on how to move forward on advocacy before our next meeting.

March Refreshments

Connie Kirwin

Loring Webster