

NEW HAMPSHIRE LIBRARY TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
NHMA, Concord, NH
OCTOBER 1, 2014

Present: Moran, Webster, Moses, Martineau, Snelling, Davis, Branoff, Simpson, Knight, Hallenbeck, Kirwin, Gaudiello, Michael York, State Library Liaison
Absent: Edelmann
Excused: Larochele, Lord

Meeting called to order by President Moran, at 10:05 am. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes: MOTION (Kirwin/Webster) Minutes of September 3, 2014 approved. **PASSED**

Treasurer's Report: Report emailed. NHLTA's non-profit federal and NH returns for the last fiscal year have been filed with the IRS and the NH Attorney General's Office. **MOTION:** (Webster/Moses) to accept the Treasurer's report. **PASSED**

Davis will contact libraries who have not joined NHLTA with help from board members

REPORTS:

- **Education:** Gaudiello report emailed. She discussed the survey.
- **Newsletter:** Kirwin reported that the newsletter has been mailed.
- **Governance:** Webster report emailed. They are looking at candidates for the board. Gaudiello asked who on the board would be leaving the board when their fourth term expires.
- **NHLA:** Moses emailed a report Moses reported that NHLA didn't meet last month. They are meeting Oct 6.
- **Legislative:** Moran reported on the NHMA Board of Directors meeting when support for a legislative amendment to separate the Library budget out of the Town budget was discussed. NHMA voted against supporting it.

OLD BUSINESS:

Finalize retreat topics. Knight, Moran, and Hallenbeck are meeting with the facilitator this afternoon to determine the topics from among the suggestions listed below:

- Branding
- How to make NHLTA more attractive
- How to make NHLTA more responsive
- How to make the library the "best store in town."
- What do most members need from NHLTA
- Webster expressed the concern that we need to address conflict resolution between members of the Board of Trustees, between Boards of Trustees and Select boards as well as legislatures. Best practices in conflict resolution.
- Advocacy

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Library Endowments.** Moran recommended that each board member order and study the UNH booklet *Planning Your Legacy* pamphlet. Simpson offered to follow-up and research.
2. **STATE LIBRARY:** Michael York reported that they have had a very successful exhibit of photographs from Hillsborough These old photos were preserved by a grant from NH Conservation and Heritage License Plate Program administered by the NH State Library. They are working with the committee to honor Governor Winant with a sculpture. This will be paid for with non-government funds. The goal is to have it in place by fall of 2015. They have submitted their budget and have asked to be able to replace some of the personnel that they have lost. He said some libraries are having trouble with patrons thinking that their library is their personal IT.
3. **NHMA conference:** We are registered and have a side-by-side table with the NHLA. Our role is to be a visible presence in view to municipal officials and network with past sponsors and possible future sponsors for our conference. Webster asked Board members to sign up for times at our booth.

Tech Bits: Hallenbeck discussed the NHLA Reads Conference and presented a website update.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Snelling
Secretary

Next meeting will be the Retreat on November 5, 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at NHMA

Hospitality for December 3rd meeting: Holiday Pot Luck lunch

MOTIONS:

- Minutes of September 3, 2014 approved.
- Accept the Treasurer's report.

ACTION ITEMS:

- Solidify the retreat topics
- Each board member to order and study *Planning Your Legacy* from UNH
- Board members need to sign up for times at our NHMA conference booth