

## **New Hampshire Library Trustees Association**

Board of Directors Meeting via Zoom

Wednesday, March 2, 2022, 10 am.

Attending: Deb Caplan, Conrad Moses, Tammy Hooker, Katrinka Pellicchia, Mark Branoff, Renee Mallett, Lara Berry, Anne Chant, Marcia McLaughlin, Lisa Houde, Connie Kirwin joined late (technical difficulties)

Marcia called the meeting to order at 10:03am.

Deb made a motion to accept the minutes from the February meeting; Katrinka seconded. PASSED.

Anne made a motion to accept the treasurer's report; Tammy seconded. PASSED.

Mark also stated he would begin working on the FY22-23 budget, sending questionnaires to committee heads for their input. It should be finalized at the April meeting as it will be voted on by the membership at the May 10 conference.

The Scholarship Committee will be offering one \$1000 scholarship this summer and three \$1000 scholarships in the fall. Currently, there is a large fund balance in the scholarship account. There was discussion as to whether or not to offer partial scholarships to the unsuccessful spring applicants; the board agreed it was better to stick to the current procedure and encourage them to apply again instead.

As neither Michael York nor Lori Fisher were present, there was no report from the State Library.

**NHLA.** Conrad previously emailed his liaison report; he noted there was an incorrect attribution – it was a report made by Lori Fisher, not Amy Lappin.

**Education.** The Conference workshops are in place. The promotional brochure will be emailed to members using Constant Contact and put on the website. There are Constant Contact details that need to be worked out, specifically regarding login information. Once those are taken care of, Lara will finish importing the brochure into the CC newsletter template. Connie and Conrad are working on the membership emails (the email has to be sent in three batches). Connie, Conrad, Lara and Marcia will meet after the board meeting to discuss this. The board also discussed again using donations made in honor of Lillian Edelmann to offer travel reimbursements to conference attendees from Coos County. Mark stated that three trustees took advantage of this in 2019; the board agreed this was a good idea.

Susan Gaudiello and Marcia will be presenting the Orientation workshop in June; Jen McCormick (Director, Nashua), Todd Fabian (Director, Concord) and Bill Gould (Chair, Whipple Free Library) will present the Budget workshop in August.

**Governance.** Susan Bartlett has resigned from the board, so now there are four open positions. Anne has contacted all the board members whose terms are up in 2022; all have agreed to serve another term. The slate of directors (to be voted on at the Annual Meeting): Marcia McLaughlin, Anne Chant, Renee Mallett, Rosemary D'Arcy, Debra Caplan, Tammy Hooker, Connie Kirwin.

**Communication.** March 4 is the copy deadline for the Spring newsletter.

**Old Business.** The May 9 conference prep meeting will be in the Pemigewasset Room Triangle Park, 10 - 2 pm, lunch included. All board members should attend.

HB 1529: It appears that the bill will be declared inexpedient to legislate as the chair and other members of the Labor Committee are not in favor of it, even with a possible amendment.

There was discussion regarding recruitment of new board members. Marcia said she was planning to invite Bill Gould to join.

The board agreed that the April and May board meetings would be held via Zoom.

Deb made a motion to adjourn at 11:011 am; Marcia seconded. PASSED.

Respectfully submitted, Katrinka Pellecchia