

New Hampshire Library Trustees Association

Board of Directors Meeting - via ZOOM

Wednesday November 2, 2022, 10 am.

Attending: Marsha McLaughlin, Katrinka Pellecchia, Mark Branoff, Anne Chant, Kathryn Parenti, Connie Kirwin, Mindy Atwood, Conrad Moses, Renee Mallett, Rosemary D'Arcy.

Absent: Deb Caplan, Lori Fisher, Michael York, Tammy Hooker.

Marcia called the meeting to order at 10:04 am.

Minutes: Three corrections - Kathy noted the meeting was opened by Marcia not Anne. Anne did not offer to help with a survey and the Intellection Freedom is a committee not a conference. Renee moved to accept the minutes as amended; Katrinka seconded. All in favor - PASSED

Treasurer's Report: Monthly report for October was reviewed. Mark noted the annual director liability policy document needed to be signed. Marcia asked if someone would make the motion to have Mark sign the document as she was unavailable. Rosemary made the motion, Anne seconded. All were in favor with none opposed. PASSED

Mark suggested the deadline for the spring scholarship applications be extended to December 1, 2022 as there were no applications. It would be reposted on the website and on the Facebook page. Connie made the motion, Rosemary seconded. All were in favor with none opposed. PASSED

Katrinka moved to accept the reports, Connie seconded. All in favor none opposed. PASSED.

NHLA: Mindy Atwood, NHLA vice president, presented the proposed addendum to the Trustee Handbook from the Information Freedom Committee. Katrinka, Marcia and Connie would look it over at the next Governance meeting and forward any corrections. There was discussion on making it available on the website and as an active link in the electronic Trustee Handbook and it would be once complete. Connie made the motion to accept the posting of the addendum as soon as the Governance Committee reviewed it and Marcia seconded. All were in favor with none opposed. PASSED

State Library: no report due to both Michael and Lori being absent.

Education Committee: Rosemary stated they have met once since the last board meeting. They are meeting with Ashley on Friday to discuss extending vendor tables to nonprofits and if there is room. The keynote speaker is set and he's agreed to run a concurrent session as well as a round table. Connie said she took the notice for speakers off the website but will put it back on - she didn't know the deadline was extended. Katrinka noted the copy deadline for printing for the conference is early February so they need to keep that in mind. She was hoping to send out requests for sponsors later in November to take advantage of year end giving.

Governance Committee: Anne stated there are three new people who have expressed interest in joining the Education Committee. None were interested in joining the Board at this time but they might in the future.

Communications: Katrinka stated the deadline was December 1st. Award winners would be featured.

OLD BUSINESS: Helping State Library fund UFL - Lori Fisher has not yet gotten back to us on usage data. Board members felt that a better understanding of the use of UFL resources would be useful before we make the decision about helping the state library pay for half of the subscription. The subscription cost had been extended until February 2023; our cost would be \$11,400, half of the \$22,800. Rosemary and Katrinka will put together a

short questionnaire to members about UFL usage. It was suggested to add a question about what members WOULD like us to do. Katrinka mentioned that members would like more regional meetings. Marcia tabled the discussion and vote until the December meeting.

Goffstown Library Award: Kathy will present on November 9, 6-7pm.

Facebook Update: Marcia thanked Renee for her work on NHLTA's Facebook page. Renee and Katrinka fielded a question about how to get back to your own feed after looking at the NHLTA page.

NEW BUSINESS: Mark - news from NELA: Mark spoke to several vendors interested in participating in the NHLTA conference. He would compile a list and send it to the board. He noted Michael York received the Emerson Greenaway Award. Connie asked if there were any presentations the Education Committee would be interested in including in the conference. Mark noted slides of many presentations were available online but he would compile a list of possibilities. Mindy stated there were short discussions that might work for the roundtable session - "spark talks" where each person spoke about a subject for about 5 minutes. This gives a general overview of many subjects. Mark noted an interesting presentation was how libraries spent their ARPA grant money. Mindy said there was a talk about e-book pricing and the discrepancy between personal and public pricing models. There is pending legislation and it would benefit trustees to be informed. Mark noted the next NHLA conference is in Meredith on May 4-5, 2023.

Someone to chair the November 15 Education Committee meeting: It was decided that Rosemary would chair the December meeting and she would make sure she had access to her library's Zoom account.

OTHER BUSINESS: none.

The meeting adjourned at 11:13 am. Katrinka made the motion; Renee seconded. All in favor. PASSED.

Next meeting:

The December 6, 2022 meeting is via ZOOM.

Respectfully submitted, Kathryn Parenti