Northern New York Library Network Board of Trustees Meeting June 20, 2019 Via Zoom Video Conference

The June 20, 2019 meeting of the Northern New York Library Network Board of Trustees was called to order at 10:08 A.M.

Trustees Present: Debra Kimok, Secretary; Sue Longshore, Treasurer; Michelle Bishop;

Andrew Kelly and Ginger Tebo.

Trustees Absent: Jeff Garvey, Ivy Gocker, Steve Kenworthy, Tom Lawrence, Jackie Madison,

Susan Mitchell, Brian O'Connor and Michelle Young.

Staff Present: Meg Backus and Phil Jones.

Debra Kimok noted a quorum was not present; no business was conducted during the meeting.

Financial Statements

Board members reviewed and discussed the financial statements for May 2019. Staff responded to a number of general questions posed by Board members regarding the monthly statements.

Executive Director Report

Meg Backus noted that her written report was included in the Board packets. Highlights of ongoing issues include:

Annual Meeting attendees gave positive feedback in the follow-up survey to the meeting. Members appeared to find the program relevant and the venue very comfortable.

We have been discussing the idea of strategically theming our continuing education programs and offering multiple sessions on different aspects of that theme. The target would be to build a deliberate knowledge base among library/information workers in our region.

Overall, 2018-19 fiscal year expenses are on track. The Staff & Board Travel line item is over-budget; staff travel is valuable when it means NNYLN is getting out into the field, promoting and distributing services, accessing learning opportunities, and building relationships. The 2019-20 budget increases this line by \$1,000.

Lauren Moore has been appointed as the new state librarian; she starts the job on August 1. Lauren has been the executive director of the Pioneer Library System for the past 5 years.

Matt Corey, North Country Library System; Juan Denzer, SUNY Oswego and Peter Morris, Clarkson University have all agreed to serve on the Automation committee. Orientation will be scheduled over the summer months to familiarize the new members with the RBDB program uses, regulations, and guidelines.

New Board Member orientation took place on Monday, June 3.

Next Meeting Dates

Those Board members present reviewed the proposed 2019-2020 meeting dates:

September 19, 2019, Thursday 10:00 A.M. - Network Office November 21, 2019, Thursday 10:00 A.M. - Network Office January 16, 2020, Thursday 10:00 A.M. - Zoom video call March 19, 2020, Thursday 10:00 A.M. - Zoom video call April 16, 2020, Thursday 10:00 A.M. - Network Office June 18, 2020, Thursday 10:00 A.M. - Zoom video call

Adjournment

The Board meeting was adjourned at 10:50 A.M.

The June 20, 2019 meeting minutes were approved at the September 19, 2019 meeting.

Next Board Meeting ◆
September 19, 2019, Thursday, 10:00 AM
Network Office
6721 US Hwy 11
Potsdam, NY