

**CHILIS Board Monthly Meeting Minutes**  
**Friday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016**  
**Local Government Center, Concord NH**

**In attendance:** Amber Coughlin (Center for the Book Liaison/Lebanon City Library), Kristen Paradise (President/Rodgers Memorial Library), Ann Hoey (State Library/Summer Reading Chair), Judy Russell (Treasurer/Converse Free PL), Nicole Giroux (Secretary/Derry PL), Liz Gotauco (Vice President/Merrimack PL)

**Not present:** Sara Hydorn (Great Stone Face Co-Chair/Amherst PL), Luci Albertson (Great Stone Face Co-Chair/Bedford PL), Yvette Couser (Isinglass Co-Chair/Merrimack PL), Tara McKenzie (Immediate Past President/Conway PL); Kristin Readel (Conference Chair) [phoned in], Susan Laun (Membership Chair/Portsmouth PL)

**Call to order:** 10:55am

**Secretary's Report:** June minutes approved. Some follow-up of action items: KristenP contacted Marina (NHLA) about admins on CHILIS site – unlimited. Will add new secretary. Remember: Marina can assist if need help with site.

**Action items:** n/a

**Membership:** Susan reports Wild Apricot working well for registration – 55 registered so far; expect to reach max capacity but cannot really fit more attendees comfortably\*. Susan recommends Judy also get admin privileges on Wild Apricot; some treasurer functionality. 151 members; 1 pending; 1 lapsed – 149 active as of this morning. \*More discussion re: attendance at Conference has been about 170 recently; can only fit 125 this year; would hate to turn away that many people, but have to work within our limits.

**Action items:** **Susan** to contact Marilyn Borgendale about adding Judy to Wild Apricot.

**Conference Committee:** 55 registrations so far. KristinR needs to connect with Carol in Hampton Falls and Katelyn (sp?) at Abram for length of Cece Bell video. All presenters good to go otherwise (no dietary restrictions; AV issues all set)! Gail reports she's checking in with her folks too and they are all set. Judy keeping in touch with Upper Valley Music Center (Update: Executive Director will be attending Conference). Ann asks if we promised monetary honorariums to any presenters: just Paul (\$500 + mileage; about \$568). Facility will be available by 8am to set up. Ann will have summer reading manuals and maybe 1KBBK bags. KristenP questions if Wild Apricot could allow for sales of 1KBBK bags and \$10 fee for paper manuals. Tara cannot make business meeting; could KristinR present slate of new officers? KristenP requests Nicole to send March business meeting minutes by October 10<sup>th</sup>. Discussion about presenting Cece Bell video at Conference; check if Great Stone Face Committee wants to introduce.

**Action items:**

- **KristinR** to send info regarding Paul's payment to Judy.
- **Judy** to issue check. **Judy** to look into Wild Apricot issues.
- **KristenP** to check in with **KristinR** about presenting slate of officers in Tara's place.
- **Nicole** to send March draft business meeting minutes to listserv by October 10<sup>th</sup>.
- **Judy** to post budget report on website by a week before Conference.

**Treasurer's Report:** Fiscal year over as of end of July. Total expenses FY '15-'16 = \$16,287.06; budgeted = \$13,950. Net income = \$11,143.92. New budget to include spending down the coffers by \$4,825 in this fiscal year ('16 – '17). Bank balance: \$34,054.95. Ann reports: 1KBBK bags to cost \$25,000 (5,000 bags; sold about 1,000 so far = 4,000 left over); CHILIS will cover cost and recoup money as members buy bags over the next few years (would break even by selling another 2,000 bags). Judy reports missing financial info from 2015 – Liz may have some information from her term as secretary and will forward to Judy if she does.

**Action items:**

- **Judy to update budget re: 1KBBK & make separate 1KBBK budget report.**
- **Liz to search for any 2015 financial info for Judy.**

**Summer Reading:** Ann has received over 100 evaluations so far; will do raffle at conference with items for 2017 Summer Reading; CSLP still going through lots of transition: executive director hired last year is no longer working there. Ann goes to Indianapolis at end of month for CSLP board meeting: attempting to hash out what direction to go in: CSLP wants to study impact of summer reading / do more research & partner with more organizations (schools, National Summer Learning organization); members tend to just want the manual, artwork, Upstart promotional materials, etc. and not give much feedback on higher level. Ann happy to speak to the board about concerns we may have. KristenP is on the Statistics Committee for CSLP. Exploring ways to survey/partner without reinventing the wheel. Discussion about summer reading & community expectations; challenges; successes. Judy reports the success of letting children set their own goals with their families. Judy proposes a panel discussion on "Making the Case for Summer Reading" - ways to communicate its value to stakeholders, community members, etc. (advocacy!).

**Bruins:** Ann reports that the partnership was a lot of work, but well worth it. Bruins love us! Better attendance at NH libraries than MA. Prize situation was tricky; Ann only received entries from about 50 libraries. 27 prizes total (3 grand prizes). Ann expects next year to run much more smoothly, though we will probably always encounter the time crunch of finding out when visits are so closely to Summer Reading due to Bruins schedule.

**Great Stone Face:** absent; discussion tabled until October; Judy suggests generating questions for committee

**Action items:**

- **KristenP to email board for questions for committee.**
- **Ann to check in with Luci regarding confirmation of resignation as co-chair.**

**Isinglass:** absent

**Action items:** **Liz to check in with Yvette and Amy Perry.**

**NERTCL:** NELA Annual Conference – Danvers, MA – Oct 16 – 18. Amber attended meeting in Wells, ME on August 26th (last meeting before Conference).

Youth services presentations include:

Sunday:	Nancy Keane on Tech-Savvy Booktalker Lyndsey D'Arcangelo on Importance of LGBT YA Fiction
Monday:	Coding for Kids & Teens Luncheon w/ Gary Schmidt – will announce winner of Jordan Miller grant YA Slam (similar to Guerrilla Storytime)

Lessons in Censorship: Librarians as Guardians of Free Expression w/  
Catherine Ross - constitutional law professor; has written about  
children's freedom of speech in schools  
If at First You Don't Succeed, Try and Try Again by Betsy Diamont Cohen  
(sp?) - learning from mistakes/failures

Tuesday: Media Mentorship in Libraries Serving Youth  
Get Puzzled! Escape Room Challenges in the Library  
Adult 101: Like Skills Programming for Teens  
Roundtable Discussion: Building Bridges  
Guerrilla Storytime

NERTCL has no executive board right now; just a few state reps; very unstable right now. No one-day conference this year.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**The Big Picture: Long-Range Planning:** tabled

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Scholarship Request:** granted.

**Action items:** **KristenP** to contact recipient.

**Elections:** Tara to send another email about running for board; soliciting short paragraph bios of nominees.

**NHLA 2017 Program Proposals:** not providing budget up front; need to propose programs and see if they approve next month.

**Action items:** **Liz** to propose **Making the Case for Summer Reading & the Great Stone Face Tea.**

**Wild Apricot Training:** Marilyn is offering training. Susan and Judy may just need support as required, not training.

**Go to Meeting:** available should we need it

**CHILIS on the Move:** lack of information available at this time; cataloging issues because of short-staffing but rolled out in October 2014.

**Action items:** **Ann** to check in with **Mary Russell** for update.

**Next meeting: Friday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016 @ Triangle at Center Park**

**Adjourned: 1:47pm**