

Minutes--CHILIS Spring Conference  
March 24, 2009  
Southern New Hampshire University

Marie called the crowd to order and explained that the reports (Treasurer, Great Stone Face, Summer Reading Program, Isinglass and Secretary) were available in the lobby.

Steve Butzel, NHLA president, spoke briefly, congratulating Marie, Ann, Amy Lappin and Amy Graves. There is an International Library Committee that all are invited to join, also a free IT section.

Marie announced Amy Graves as the vice president who will become the president in October and Amy Lappin as the upcoming vice president.

Kathy explained briefly that the Fall Conference is being hosted by the Upper Valley childrens' librarians at the Lebanon Fireside Inn and Suites. Anita Silvey will be speaking.

Ann made a brief statement on this coming SRP: T-shirt orders close April 3<sup>rd</sup>, KBA grants are due in early April (today's performers only). The SRP Accu-Cut dies will not be ILL'd due to fragility and availability. A master list of die-cut machines throughout the state will be attempted.

Marie started the discussion on NH SRP vs. CSLP, asking for any last questions or comments. It was clarified that CSLP doesn't affect KBA, that it is a two year commitment and that CHILIS will probably need a new funding source within a couple of years regardless of the outcome of the vote. CSLP's theme next year will be Make a Splash; NH's would be Dig Up a Good Book.

The vote was held and ballots were collected. Kathy was responsible for the count.

CHILIS Librarian of the Year was announced. Barb Ballou of New Boston received flowers, a gift certificate and a year's membership to NHLA.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the business meeting, which passed with enthusiasm.

## Reports

### **Kathy Tracy, Membership Chair**

The position of CHILIS Membership Chairperson was reinstated at the Fall 2008 Conference to foster and encourage new members and to continue to support the membership in general. I started immediately by welcoming 3 new members at the Fall Conference! An up-to-date listing of our members is maintained through coordination with Christian Pearsall at NHSL. The database is checked monthly for any new members

that have joined as well as monitoring renewals. A new member Welcome Packet has been put together and is awaiting approval. This packet officially welcomes new members and provides them with helpful information as a new member so they can take advantage of all the benefits that brings. An Invitation to Join the CHILIS organization was written and the document has been sent to Ann Hoey to be printed and mailed to all NH Libraries via the State Van service. We hope to encourage new members by providing them with information on CHILIS and its benefits.

A reminder was sent out to the CHILIS Listserve for renewal of memberships.

This position is also a resource for any questions or concerns regarding membership and registration. I will be providing an up-to-date listing for our Spring Conference.

### **Amy Inglis, Isinglass Teen Read Committee Chair**

This committee meets monthly to discuss books recommended by 7th & 8th graders for inclusion in our yearly reading list. We currently meet on Thursdays at 4PM in the seacoast area but welcome anyone who wishes to read and respond to do so via e-mail to the chair, Amy Inglis at [blibrary@metrocast.net](mailto:blibrary@metrocast.net). We are always seeking new members to help out. Please send your name and e-mail address to the chair if you'd like to become a committee member. Last year we had the winning author, Natasha Friend, come to accept her award in person at the Stratham Cooperative Middle School. During voting this year in late April/early May, schools will be able to tell us if they'd be interested in an author visit from a winning author. All information about the award, current reading list, and past winners is available at [www.barringtonlibrary.com](http://www.barringtonlibrary.com) under the Teen Zone button. The winner for 2008-2009 will be announced at the NH Library Conference in May.

### **Ann Hoey, Chair of the NH Summer Reading Program Committee**

The NH Summer Reading Program is set to roll out its 2009 program called "Summertime...and the Reading is Easy." Karel Hayes, an artist from Center Harbor, designed all of the artwork for the materials and t-shirt. Manuals, bookmarks, reading logs, posters and reading certificates were sent to all who ordered them, and t-shirt orders are presently being taken. Librarians can find the manual and all of the clip art online at <http://nhsrp.wetpaint.com/>

The Kids, Books and the Arts project, which is done in conjunction with the NH Summer Reading Program, will offer its showcase of presenters at the CHILIS Spring Conference. Librarians who wish to apply for grants to bring a presenter to their community this summer can find the applications at [http://www.nh.gov/nhsl/services/librarians/kids\\_books.html](http://www.nh.gov/nhsl/services/librarians/kids_books.html)

CHILIS members will be asked to vote at the CHILIS Spring Conference on the question of whether CHILIS should join the Collaborative Summer Library Program, a national program involving 48 states. If CHILIS votes to join, it will be committed to the national program beginning in 2010. Information about the program can be found on the CHILIS website.

I would like to thank the following librarians who have served on the SRP Committee this past year for their dedication and hard work: Luci Albertson, Barbara Ballou, Mary

Bognaski, Adele Boeske, Gail Drucker, Kelly Finemore, Amy Lappin, Stephanie Piro, Pam Stauffacher and Chris Tarrío.

**Adele Boeske, Great Stone Face Committee Chair**

The deadline for sending in your 2009 GSF votes is April 24th. Please go to the CHILIS website where you will find the ballots and the voting results form. The information of where to send your voting results is on the form. The GSF Committee will be meeting in April to choose the titles for next year's (2010) list. Bookmarks for the 2010 books will be available at the NHEMA Spring Conference on May 7th and 8th and at the NHLA Conference on May 19th and 20th. After May 11th, you can order GSF materials by sending Adele Boeske your order using the order form on the CHILIS website. Please remember to send a check with your order.

Just a reminder that we are always looking for librarians and teachers to read. We meet at the Bedford Public Library on the 2nd Friday of the month (September - April, no meeting in December) from 1-4pm. If you would like to read and recommend titles but cannot attend the meetings, you can still participate. Email Adele Boeske at [adeleb@derrypl.org](mailto:adeleb@derrypl.org) to find out more.

Thank you to all the libraries who vote!

**Lisa Michaud, Secretary**

CHILIS minutes are now available on the website, enabling everyone to keep current on CHILIS votes and decisions.

During this year, I will begin transcribing older minutes and sending them to the CHILIS webmaster to create an online archive for continuity and availability.