Minutes--CHILIS Board Meeting
Nov. 13, 2009, 10:00a.m. at the Local Government Center

Present:  Ann Hoey, Amy Graves, Amy Lappin, Nancy Lang, Kathy Tracy, Lisa Michaud, Luci Albertson, Gail Drucker, Carolyn Birr, Amy Inglis

Reports:
Treasurer
   CHILIS lost approximately $200 on the conference; generally viewed as a reasonable return.

Secretary
   Kathy moved to accept as read, Amy Lappin seconded the motion.

Great Stone Face
   Luci announced that she and Sarah Hydorn are co-chairs, but she will attend the board meetings. There have only been a couple meeting so far, but there are new members including more school representatives. The GSF materials given to Jackie at Amherst (who has since left) were passed to Susan Macdonald of Greenland. There are currently 50+ books on the list.

Isinglass
   There have been a couple meetings with 50-60 books on the list. Teen suggestions have been solicited and there are more school representatives on this committee as well. Isinglass bookmarks sold out this year which is attributed to ordering slightly fewer than last year. Jordan Sonenblick, who won the award last year sent a thank you video from his kitchen table. So far there has been great success with getting authors to come in person to accept the award. Now there is a list of nominees, a “big list” of all books considered and a “Can you host an author and what space/budget do you have available” on a questionnaire for schools. There are no publication date limits on nominees, but most fall within the past 4 years.

Summer Reading Program
   Manuals were passed out at the conference and sent on the van so all should be distributed. Committee met last Friday and the KBA roster was created. It will be available in January. The next meeting is Friday, Feb. 5th. Currently, CHILIS budgets $1500 to the grant program—Gail moved to increase it to $2000. Nancy seconded and all were in favor.

Newsletter
   Cathy is not present but reported that fall conference information was currently being uploaded.

CHILIS Spring Conference
   Gail reported that SNHU is trying to find a sound person (most likely a student to save costs) for a sound person. Food is the largest expense. Ann brought up
possibility of coupon towards a performer (on the KBA list) as a door prize. Lisa moved to spend $300 on prizes, Kathy seconded and all were in favor. Raffle items are requested. The conference will be March 25th.

Membership
Kathy reports 195 members; one was added since the conference. She will send out an email invitation again in January along with scholarship information.

NERTCL
The fall conference, though expensive, was excellent with good attendance. Check the NELA site for materials. The spring one-day conference location hunt has been challenging. The next meeting is Dec. 12 in Atkinson at 10am.

NHLA
Amy Graves attended the fall business meeting on Nov. 5th. The highlight was Deb Hoadley’s presentation on the value of children’s librarians. The NHLA online calendar can be added to—send information to Nancy.

CHILIS Fall Conference
Thanks again to Amy Lappin and Kathy. Ann had evaluations—there was only one offer to host. Presenters were clearly appreciated. There were only a couple suggestions, easily implemented.

Accu-Cuts
Lisa will create a spreadsheet from the information provided by the questionnaire. Gail will order and negotiate the dies that are decided upon. To reach that decision, she will send out a questionnaire regarding dies and prices.

Fundraiser
Ann suggested notecards of SRP artwork throughout the years. She asked for a price for 10 blanks and envelopes from a supplier and was told 300 sets would be $7.65ea, but prices improved as numbers grew. The consensus seemed to be lots of 4 images per pack. Luci and Ann will pursue this and request information on packs of 12.

NHLA Spring Conference
It will be held at Attitash again. A desire for a children’s author was voiced and suggestions were solicited. The merits of a luncheon talk vs. a workshop were debated. The Great Stone Face Tea is discussing possible changes to better serve committee members due to attendance issues.

The next meeting will be held Dec. 11th at 10am at the LGC.
Nancy will bring refreshments.

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Michaud