

CHILIS Executive Board Meeting
Friday, February 9th, 2018
Local Government Center, Concord, NH
Minutes compiled by Moriah Churchill

In Attendance:

In attendance: Letty Goerner (President/ Wadleigh Memorial Library), Sam Lucius (Vice-President/President-Elect/ Wiggin Memorial Library), Amber Coughlin (Immediate Past President/ Lebanon Public Libraries), David Basora (Treasurer, Intellectual Freedom Liaison/ Manchester City Library), Moriah Churchill (Secretary/Richards Free Library),

Quorum achieved

Not Present: Grace LaRochelle (NERTCL/NELA Liaison/ Hooksett Library) Susan D. Laun (Membership Chair/ Portsmouth Public Library)

Call to Order: 10:44

Reports:

Secretary's Report: Clarification required; minutes will be held over until the next time.

Treasurer's report:

At this time, the January bank statement was not available. Deposits included \$305 from membership dues and \$40 from a reimbursement. The current balance is 13,406.19 based on the December bank statement and the deposits made since then.

Conference committee: The conference will be held at Pat's Peak. The cost for the use of the ballroom space, continental breakfast, soup and sandwiches for lunch, coffee and cookies etc for the Great Stone Face tea in the afternoon will be about 30\$ a person. All the audiovisual equipment will be arranged. Amber has been discussing possible themes for the lunchtime time by Grace Lin, with Lin's agent, Amy. A possible topic centers on the idea of what to do if your favorite picture book is racist. Additionally, Grace Lin has a talk titled "Making Your Collection Work for You" prepared, focussing on weeding collections and the issue of diverse books not circulating.

Amber is in the process of negotiating the honorarium for Grace Lin.

Letty offered an idea to have a Grace Lin themed raffle, including signed Grace Lin books.

Sam reported that our morning diversity speaker, Sujei Lugo from the Boston Public Library, is all arranged, with a \$400 honorarium plus bus fare or train fare. Her talk can last either 90 minutes or 60 minutes plus a questions/answers session.

The spring conference is shaping up well, but the Fall conference needs more work. The challenge is that we need a stage, but due to the timing we can't use a school. We are hoping for a southern/central NH location. We have decided that we can compromise by having lunch in the same room as the performances. We will have some sessions in the morning with something to do with the 2019 summer reading theme, which is "Space." We brainstormed some venue possibilities to check.

Action Items: Let's find a few venue options.

- David will look into the Krista McAuliffe Science Center, and/or the SEE Science Center as possible venues.

- Amber will ask about seating capacity at Tidewater Catering in Manchester, and a few other options, including the Radisson Hotel, Millies Tavern, and Fratello's.
- Murphy's Taproom has a new space in Bedford located just off of Rt. 101.

Great Stone Face Committee Report:

The committee was meeting at 2:00 on February 9th.

Summer Reading/CSLP:

Deborah Dutcher has taken over at the state library. She will attend next month, but during this meeting she was in Denver, attending ALA Midwinter as the NELA president. Amber and Deborah will go to the CSLP conference in Denver in April, because Letty won't be able to go. Amber will not ask to be reimbursed for her lodging because she wants a separate room. Sam will attend in Fall 2019, when the CSLP is moving it's conference from summer to fall.

The deadline for KBA performers for the Fall 2018 docket is March 15, in order to add a few new performers for the 2019 season (such as Space/science themed performers).

NERTCL:

Sam reported that there will be no spring NERTCL one-day conference! NERTCL president Lucas moved to another state, so everything that has been arranged will be held over for the main conference in the fall.

NHLA/CLNH website:

David emailed Judy to find out how the old header for the CHILIS website was made; she sent a .png which replaces CHILIS with "CLNH" to replace the header for now. We will consider commissioning new art when NHLA website is done. We want to keep the CLNH website parallel to the NHLA website and use it as a style guide, rather than attempting something wildly different.

Action Item: Board members need to fine-tooth comb the website, especially the Mission statement.

Old Business:

Spring Conference

Executive board members discussed inviting school librarians to the spring conference, and decided that we should give them the member rate for the Great Stone Face Tea. Since they don't have a spring conference this year, perhaps more will come. Our conference theme is applicable to them as well.

Action item: Sam will invite the school librarians.

Librarian of the Year award: Sam updated the nomination form as a google document, and is currently acting as the contact person to receive nominations. This was something that Ann Houy did, so we can get Deborah in the loop, however, the officers agreed that the executive board can handle the Librarian of the Year Award nomination collection without needing to put something new on Deborah's plate. Sam will accept nominations until April 2nd (April 1st is Easter Sunday.)

New Business:

NHLA 5 Year Conference Plan

NHLA has created a Google form listing the different conferences held by all of the various sections, whereon everyone will set their conference dates out for the next 5 years, in order to avoid overlapping any conferences by accident. NHLA would like this form completed by April 1st. We decided to do the best we could with approximate dates: our spring conferences will be in May, and our fall conferences will be in the 3rd week of October unless it overlaps with NELA, possibly even the Thursday prior to NELA. We discussed the possibility that the next time the NELA conference will be in NH will be in 2020, at which point we could just hold a KBA showcase in the Fall, rather than a whole second conference.

Meeting Times:

We decided to keep holding our meetings at 10:30, rather than 10:00.

Adjourn: Letty moved to adjourn, Sam seconded. Meeting adjourned at 12:10.