

Council Meeting – 12/6/2014

Present: Anne Marie Gordon, Deb Donahue, Joan Ellison, Jill Feine, Holly Mullin, Renee Burns, Nicki Lerczak, Julie Hengenius, Kristie Miller, Christopher Harris and Matthew Perry.

3:00 call to order - Minutes were read; motion to accept made by Kristi; seconded by Joan. All were in favor.

The slate of officers as presented was voted on. Kristie Miller was approved as Chair; Joan Ellison was approved as Vice Chair; Jill Feine was approved as secretary. All in attendance were in favor; the slate of officers was accepted and passed as presented.

Annual Report/Budget: Chris submitted the budget with the following edits:

- What organizations are part of the membership
- Dollars for grants for member libraries including book grants and travel grant adjustments.

Chris will send out the 2014-15 Annual report, which was viewed by Council on the screen and with a brief overview. This included the Structure; members; how \$\$ are spent and the library budget. Chris will also post the budget online on the Council page for review.

The new Plan of Service (2016-2021) is a five year plan that we have a year to pull together. Doing the Plan of service will be an excellent way to focus on forward-thinking functions of the organization. Changes in the five year plan include:

- Focus on gathering more information
- Add Advisory groups to develop the Plan of Service, including Communication coordinators, faculty reps, administration, academic and public partners
- Add Resource sharing - adding digital elements and digital collections
- the standard process is to review the Member plan (submitted by Librarians); the Cooperative Collection Development Plan and review the current plan of service.
- Do a Needs Assessment survey - "How are we doing?"
- How are we doing with regard to the 10 elements in the current plan?
- Include mentoring as an essential component of the Plan of Service with a formalized system

Must be submitted by 4/1/2016

Budget review: with healthcare and retirement cost, costs have increased. Benefits went up approximately \$5,000. However, SLS is in decent shape at about the same levels as last year. SLS is charging less than other systems for Library Automation.

Advocacy Items: SLS will put more money into printing. posters were distributed - School Libraries Transform Learning. ALA has created a new youth and teen policy as well as a group to talk about advocacy for libraries and technology leadership. There is an RRLC Advocacy Council and Public Librarians who meet on a bi-monthly basis, getting legislators into school libraries to see what's going on. There is a Rochester area push "Libraries are education in the greater Rochester Area". Libraries should be associated with "Makerspaces/Digital Learning Zones/3D printing, three current trends.

Travel Award Committee - the link is more visible on the SLS page; all council members can add items to this; member librarians pay costs up front, and then are reimbursed as approved; we need to remind people of availability; any related library activities are eligible for award. When someone applies for a travel grant, Kristi receives an email

Professional Development Michael Hunter will be contact to provide the morning session for the February SLS meeting. Chris will contact Kristen Fungiero - Makerspaces with public and School Library Support - Third Space Learning (Cherry Lake Publishing). This will be investigated for the spring.

Feedback on SLS performance - sometimes SLS team members have not been available. Chris will follow up on this issue. Chris will also create a newsletter on a monthly basis

Brainhive Schools can turn off the titles that we don't want. It's important to promote this to teachers to try it out.

GCC feedback - what are students struggling with?

- writing skills
- SUNY won't let them add more programs - they are removing Humanities classes to make room for addition requisities

Matt Perry (LTG Group)- the new bond issue that was passed in the last vote looks encouraging. Money from this issue can be spend over a long period of time - stretching it out to fund a replacement cycle. However, these funds can only be spent on hardware.

At 4:25, Ann Marie made a motion to adjourn; Holley seconded that motion.

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New meeting was called to order at 4:28 to approve the Annual Report. Anne Marie made a motion to approve the Annual Report; Nicki seconded that motion. All were in support.

Matt made a motion to adjourn; Nicki seconded that motion. This meeting was adjourned.