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## **SLS Council meeting February 6, 2018**

Present: Chris Harris, Julie Hengenius, Amy White, Karen O'Donnell, Saragrace Friday, & Nicki Lerczak  
The meeting was called to order at 3:07. Minutes were approved with edits – Motion by Amy, seconded by Julie.

### SLS updates and Information:

State budget stuff

Excelsior scholarship – very challenged to get this and keep it. Contact your legislator to remind them of library collaborations and funding needs. Our budget forecast is ok.

CoSers are healthy. Brought a position in as the grant ends. 75k to 85k next year. Districts are looking to bring in STEM people – BOCES has an established reputation.

### Grant updates:

Brian got the Harold Hacker grant to develop some escape room kits in a box. Second year in a row that they got it. Brian will be working on it over the next few months. BOCES is also working to bring in some regional PD – Sue Ballard (8/21-22), MONROE 2 (Spencerport), and working on another keynote for that day. BOCES is also getting Mark Ray – “Future-ready libraries” on 4/23 at the Rochester Italian heritage center. There was some discussion about Interlibrary loan issues. A Five systems advisory committee meeting on the future will help to clarify policy.

Travel grant request – Christine Miller want to attend SLJ conference in Omaha, NE re: school/public library collaboration, to help bring some kind of public library presence to the town of Alexander. Perhaps a virtual branch with NIOGA courier in the foyer of the ACS. It was proposed that we fund her (send Andrea & they'll share a room to go with her) cover airfare and food (\$500), Alexander will cover registration (\$250). Still funding if someone want to go to LI conference. Discussion of funding for conferences ensued. A motion was made by Saragrace, seconded by Amy.

Conversation about visit from OUT Alliance – preferred pronouns, and Prefixes (Ms/Miss/Mrs) and names. LGBTQ is the special client group for the year – so there will be more work on them. Review of special client groups. Last year was other languages/refugees, this year LGBTQ, next year autism/rural/poverty. There was discussion about expected loss of client group materials (~6%?), and safe space certification training.

Meeting adjourned at 3:50 with a motion by Julie and seconded by Amy.