

NCLA-CSD EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
March 15th, 2010

In Attendance: Linda Eagan, Jacqueline Fitts, Gail Goldfarb, Jessikah Chautin, Bonnie Markel, Renee McGrath, Lauren Loechner, Helen Friedman, Barbara Buckley, Todd Schlitt

- I. The meeting was called to order at 9:31 a.m.
- II. The minutes were read and accepted by Bonnie and seconded by Gail.
- III. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** President's Report from the March 12, 2010 NCLA Executive Meeting. The Media Services Division will hold its annual roundtable on March 23rd at 9:30am at NLS. They will have discounted tickets for Book Expo America: \$15 off a 3 day ticket and \$5 off a 1 day ticket. They will be posting more information on their website and on the listserv.

Reference Services Division is now going to charge \$5 for each program beginning in June to help with the financial difficulties NCLA is facing.

YASDs new Excellence in Programming Award is up on their website. They are still soliciting local businesses for donations and are hoping to give the winner a cash prize or gift cards.

The Continuing Education committee wants to offer a program for doing Reader's Advisories using the web. They are looking for one Adult librarian, Young Adult librarian and Children's Librarian to volunteer to instruct the participants on how to do this. (I will have to get more information about this program and exactly what they want us to do.) Please let me know if anyone wants to volunteer

LDA Award flyer has gone out to libraries. Deadline for submission is March 26.

Library Lobby Day was held on March 2nd. 60 people from Long Island attended and a total of 1,000 library advocates across the state. It may have seemed as though the day was unsuccessful but Art made a point to quote "The fact that we were there means they may cut us less." What we need to get across to the senators and assemblymen is that libraries are a part of education. It's the starting point for education, people look to us for continuing education and we are an extension of education.

The Annual Legislators breakfast will be held on September 24 at NLS

LILC registration is now online. You must download form, print it and mail it in.

NCLA membership is up from this time last year. Last year it was at 673. This year it holds at 686. CSD is up as well.

NLS is working on next year's budget but it is very difficult since they do not know how much they are going to be cut.

Nassau BOCES thanked Renee McGrath for the wonderful job she did presenting picturebooks.net

There are 2 New Yorkers running for positions in ALA. Sara Kelly Johns is running for President and Art strongly encourages everyone to vote for her and support New York State.

IV. **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

The opening balance is \$8,062.53. There were no disbursements and the closing balance is \$8,062.53

V. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

A. **ARCHIVES:** No Report

B. **INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM:** A teacher in Colombia has helped over 4,000 children learn to read by distributing books to them since 1990. Louis Soriano has helped children get homework help, learn to read or listen to stories, and learn geography lessons. He rides on the back of a burro, through inclement weather, banditos, and accidents to reach the children in the many rural Colombian villages.

C. **MEMBERSHIP:** Membership in March is up to 122 from 68 in January.

D. **OUTREACH/RIF:** Barbara spoke to Newsday regarding Nassau County RIF and the need to increase the number of books distributed NOT the number of centers needed. Volunteers readers are still needed for The Shore Foundation and the next RIF meeting will be held in Oceanside after Easter break.

E. **PERSONNEL:** No Report.

F. **PROGRAMS:** PocketBooks, a division of Simon & Schuster, publishes "Harry, A History" and Jackie will call to order 50 books and see if we can get a discount. Three baskets will be raffled off at the CSD table. A Harry potter basket, a Cooking Basket and a Make A Splash basket. Linda will bring in the banner, raffle tickets, autograph tickets and anything else she has leftover to the April CSD meeting. Lauren is working on a "recipe" reminder post card. Jackie will be in touch with Melissa Anelli to see what she may need for the program.

G. **PUBLIC RELATIONS/MEDIA:** "Recipe" postcards will be created and distributed for the CSD LILC program, as well as advertised on the website, Listserv, etc. and Lauren is still working on a CSD Facebook Fanpage

H. **NLS:** There is a Tween program on 4/25 at East Meadow P.L. On 4/26 there is a training program for on-line Summer Reading Club registration and programming that can accommodate up to 40 people and Renee encourages librarians and staff to view the webinar before attending the training course.

VI. **OLD BUSINESS:** No Report

VII. **NEW BUSINESS:** No more donations of books to South Bay Elementary school in West Babylon are necessary.

VIII. **ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m. Linda made a motion to dismiss and Lauren seconded.

I would like to express my sincere thanks to the members of the Children's Services Division in helping me grow and learn as a librarian. I hope to see and work with you all in the future!

Respectfully submitted,
Todd Schlitt