

**South Central Regional Library Council
Board Meeting
September 25, 2020
Online Zoom Meeting**

Present:

Camille Andrews
Megan Biddle
Cindy Buerkle (left 11:00)
Keturah Cappadonia
Kristin Dade
Jim Galbraith
Sarah Glogowski
Marge Kappanadze
Fiona Patrick
Mark Smith (left 10:48)
David Stevick (arrived 9:56)
Nicole Waskie-Laura

Excused:

Fabina Benites
Carol Henderson
Jean Jenkins

Staff:

Diane Capalongo
Danna Harris
Mary-Carol Lindbloom

Presiding. J. Galbraith called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m.

Consent Agenda

DOC.#2020 – 44, 45. M. Kappanadze moved to approve the consent agenda; seconded by K. Dade. Approved.

**DOC.#2020 – 46,
47, 48**

**June 2020, Bill Sheet #12; July 2020, Bill Sheet #1; August 2020,
Bill Sheet #2.**

Out of the ordinary expenses for the month of June were the Consumer Health Complete subscription, attorney fees for Ask the Lawyer, and webinar presenters' payments. July out of the ordinary expenses were electronic resources subscription payments for Literary Resource Center, EBSCO, and OCLC FirstSearch, and OCLC WorldShare. August out of the ordinary expenses were ELD pass through for Alfred, book scanner purchase and NYLA registrations. S. Glogowski noted that PPP loan money has been expended and D. Harris submitted the request for forgiveness. A motion to approve the June, July and August bill sheets was made by S. Glogowski and seconded by N. Waskie-Laura. Approved.

DOC.#2020 - 49

2019-2020 Annual Report. The deadline has been extended to the end of October so the report could be approved prior to submission this year. M-C Lindbloom has some minor additions to make as a result of completing the 2019-2020 work plan final report at the same time. Motion to approve the 2019-2020 Annual Report was made by K. Cappadonia; seconded by C. Buerkle. Approved.

DOC.#2020 - 50 2021 Board Meeting Dates

January 29
March 26
May 14
July 16
September 10
October 22 or 29
December 17

DOC.#2020 - 51 2019-2020 Work Plan Final Report. BARC statistics were not available yet due to COVID-19 quarantining. Some goals were impeded by the pandemic and were moved forward to the 2020-2021 work plan.

DOC.#2020-28 Executive Director's Report. Update: we did not get the IMLS grant but we are looking at ways to retool it to make it work. 1701 grants were received; 63 were funded--only two in NYS: The Everson Museum of Art (Syracuse) and MANY (Albany). MANY funds could go to some of our region's museums/historical institutions.

**Board Retreat
Discussion**

There was much discussion Re: the July Board Retreat including:

- Recruitment of future librarians.
- School libraries – more advocacy is needed to support them. When we can meet again in person, we could find a high school library that would be willing to host one of our board meetings.
- BU has been having discussions about increasing their advocacy efforts and becoming more proactive.
- Support for the librarian profession is waning in part because of the perception that librarians are all about books, i.e., why do we need a big building full of books when everything is available electronically?
- Ultimately, libraries will survive because they support the community.
- Advocacy education needs to be directed at the users, parents, and communities.
- Everything changes so rapidly that we need to look at things in light of current events.

Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicole Waskie-Laura