

**South Central Regional Library Council  
Board Meeting Online Zoom  
December 16, 2022  
Minutes**

**Present:**

Megan Biddle  
Gaby Castro Gessner  
Kristin Dade  
Sarah Glogowski  
Margaret Kappanadze  
Fiona Patrick  
Matthew Roslund  
David Stevick  
Brian Sullivan  
Karin Wikoff

**Excused:**

Keturah Cappadonia  
Steph Cowling-Rich  
Julia Iannello  
Curtis Kendrick  
Nicole Waskie-Laura

**Staff:**

Danna Harris  
Mary-Carol Lindbloom

**Guests:**

Kacie Harder  
Matthew McSherry

**Presiding.** President K. Dade called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

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**Consent Agenda.** K. Dade recommended modifying the agenda to allow Matthew McSherry and Kacie Harder to present the audit and IRS 990 first. S. Glogowski moved to approve the consent agenda with the suggested change; seconded by K. Wikoff. Approved.

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**2021-2022 Independent Auditor’s Report and IRS 990 2021.** M. McSherry stated that the Council ended the year in a strong, solid financial position and maintained its liquidity with a good cash position. SCRLC is in a very good position to do well through any financial challenges that may arise. They are issuing an unqualified, unmodified opinion on the Council’s financial statements, which is the highest one that can be provided. A motion to accept the audit and the 990 was made by M. Kappanadze; seconded by S. Glogowski. Approved.

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**Finance & Audit Committee Report.** S. Glogowski reported on the meeting with M. McSherry. Our goal is an unqualified, unmodified opinion. Access to information needed to complete the audit was well-provided. The ARPA grant created increased revenue and expenses, which were noted. M. McSherry stated that SCRLC is in the people business, which takes money in benefits and salaries.

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**Budget Amendment.** D. Harris reviewed the Budget Comparison (DOC.#2022-74). Additionally, M-C Lindbloom would like to add \$900 to printing for an additional Women’s Suffrage Exhibit and \$1,300 to Capital Expenses for a new digitization scanner. S. Glogowski motioned to approve the Budget Amendment with proposed changes to printing and capital expenses; seconded by D. Stevick. Approved.

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**October 2022 Bill Sheet #4.** S. Glogowski highlighted out of the ordinary expenses for October: \$6502 for ARPA accessibility equipment, an office shredder, NYLA conference expenses, NY Heritage membership fee, and intern expense for scanning.

**November 2022 Bill Sheet#5.** S. Glogowski highlighted out of the ordinary expenses for November: Laptop for C. Brown, car mileage expenses, auto insurance, staff development, web server and web hosting, dark web storage through SENYLRC, computer repair, food expense for Consider the Source, and annual report design.

S. Glogowski motioned to approve the October Bill Sheet; seconded by M. Biddle. Approved.

S. Glogowski motioned to approve the November Bill Sheet; seconded by M. Biddle. Approved.

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**DEIJ. Plan.** The DEIJ Advisory Committee recommended abbreviating the introductory paragraph about SCRLC. A note was added Re: updating the diversity statement after the Bylaws were updated. "Create a regional Digital Equity Coalition to unite area leaders to advance digital equity" was added under Consulting and Development. "Participate in relevant digital equity projects, if available and as they relate to telehealth and other aspects of health and medicine" was added to HLSP. Other program areas were slightly modified. K. Wikoff motioned to approve the revised DEIJ plan; seconded by G. Castro Gessner. Approved.

DOC.#2022 - 84

**Annual Report Changes.** The NYS Library requested Board approval for the changes this year. A motion to approve the changes was made by S. Glogowski; seconded by M. Biddle. Approved.

**2023 Board Officers.** President: K. Dade. Vice President: M. Biddle. Secretary. M. Roslund. S. Glogowski: Treasurer. D. Stevick made a motion to approve the proposed slate of officers for 2023; seconded by K. Wikoff. Approved.

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**Schuyler County Historical Society Member Application.** A motion to approve the application was made by K. Wikoff; seconded by G. Castro Gessner. Approved.

**Neutrality and Libraries** was the discussion topic for the Board meeting. M-C Lindbloom had presented SCRLC's DEIJ work at the last Diversity Consortium of Tompkins County meeting, and the idea of libraries as not neutral came up. K. Dade and she thought it would be a good topic to discuss at the Board meeting. M-C Lindbloom had passed along a couple of articles in preparation for the discussion, [The Battle for the Soul of the Library](#) by Stanley Kurtz, an opinion piece published in the *New York Times* and [The Battle for the Soul of the Library: A Response](#) by R. David Lankes.

**Other.** The Board meeting date for September was corrected to Friday the 15<sup>th</sup>. The July meeting/board retreat was rescheduled for the 21<sup>st</sup>. Should we move meetings to hybrid? Having the Zoom option makes it easier to attend most if not all meetings, so for now, the meetings will stay remote.

**Board members expressed their thanks to K. Cappadonia and C. Kendrick for their service on the Board.**

**Gift Cards.** \$50 each to staff members from the Board.

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**Executive Director's Report.** \$25 Gift cards were provided to the four Cornell students who worked on our DEISA project. It will now go to the DEIJ Advisory Committee for next steps.

**Adjournment.** A motion to adjourn was made by M. Kappanadze; seconded by S. Glogowski. Adjourned at 11:51 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Megan Biddle