



**SCRLC Annual Membership Meeting
Online Zoom Meeting
October 22, 2021
Minutes**

Call to Order. The meeting was called to order at 11:52 a.m. by James Galbraith, Board President.

Roll Call. Keturah Cappadonia, Vice President, called the roll of governing members. A quorum was present.

Approval of 2020 Annual Meeting Minutes. A motion to approve was made by Jean Jenkins and seconded by Karin Wikoff. Approved.

President's Report. James Galbraith thanked our speakers, finding each one very inspirational and positive. He thanked the SCRLC staff for their ongoing hard work, the board members for their work and dedication, and the members here today.

Financial Report. Sarah Glogowski, Treasurer, presented the financial report to the membership; it is included in the *Annual Report*. Due to the pandemic, SCRLC initially lost 20% of their state funding, which was later reinstated. SCRLC participated in both rounds of the PPP loans and forgiveness which enabled SCRLC staff to continue working through the pandemic.

Executive Director's Report. Mary-Carol Lindbloom:

- introduced the staff and board members.
- indicated that like everyone else in the room, SCRLC has carried on through a pandemic that is approaching 20 months, and that we, too, pivoted.
- said that the 2021-2026 Plan of Service was still due in March, 2021, so SCRLC convened a Plan of Service Design Team, conducted surveys, held virtual community conversations, and wrote the Plan. She thanked the Design Team members for their hard work.
- indicated that the Design Team recommended new language for the mission, vision, and value statements to better reflect diversity, equity, inclusion, justice, and sustainability.
- said that in the context of our values, we reconsidered our space and relocated to the Finger Lakes Library System building on Dryden Road.
- mentioned the newly produced annual report that would be posted soon, with kudos to Dan Taylor.
- described the large number of networking meetings and learning opportunities held in collaboration with other ESLN Councils—all gratis and virtual, indicating that BIPOC members of

our Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Advisory Committee began monthly BIPOC Community Calls to hold space for our BIPOC colleagues.

- said that we continued to add collections to New York Heritage and NYS Historic Newspapers, and thanked Claire Lovell for the excellent walk through of the new services and features that were added this past year.
- found the continued decrease use of electronic resources surprising, while the use of AskUs24/7, ESLN's virtual reference service, increased.
- looked forward to the many opportunities ARPA (*American Rescue Plan Act* of 2021) and other grants will offer the region.
- reminded attendees that SCRLC is a member-driven organization, that the members are our greatest strength, and that we want to be responsive to our member needs--and asked everyone to reach out to us with ideas, needs, and concerns.
- thanked everyone for being on this journey with SCRLC, and for helping to create a great future for our communities.

Board of Trustees Election. Jean Jenkins presented the Slate of Trustees on behalf of the Nominating and Board Development Committee. This year there are five board seats up for election to five-year terms.

Gabriela Castro Gessner, Cornell University Library
Steph Cowling-Rich, Cornell University (non-librarian seat)
Sarah Glogowski, Finger Lakes Library System
Julia Iannello, Otsego Northern Catskills BOCES SLS
Brian Sullivan, Alfred University

Receiving no nominations from the floor, a motion to approve the nominations was made by Marge Kappanadze, seconded by Nicole Waskie-Laura. Approved.

Awards. Mary-Carol Lindbloom presented this year's awards. **Erika Jenns**, Southern Tier Library System, received the Social Media Outreach Award, and **Jennifer Embree and Neyda Gilman**, Binghamton University received the Sustainability Award.

Adjournment of Business Meeting. Motion to adjourn made by Elizabeth Hicks and seconded by Marge Kappanadze. The meeting adjourned at 12:26 p.m.

Minutes were recorded by Megan Biddle, Secretary