



**SCRLC Annual Membership Meeting  
Museum of the Earth, Ithaca  
October 27, 2023  
Minutes**

**Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order at 1:03 p.m. by Megan Biddle, Board Vice President.

**Roll Call.** Matthew Roslund, Board Secretary, called the roll of governing members. A quorum of the membership was present.

**Approval of 2021 Annual Meeting Minutes.** A motion to approve was made by Karin Wikoff and seconded by Marge Kappandaze. Approved.

**President's Report.** Megan Biddle introduced the SCRLC board members who were in attendance. She reported that SCRLC staff accomplished most of the past year's work plan objectives along with other opportunities such as working with the NYS ConnectAll office which resulted in the formation of the Southern Tier Digital Equity Coalition. A new grant was created this that enables members to consult with Dr. Kawanna Bright on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion projects. Three of our members were awarded the consulting grants.

**Financial Report.** Sarah Glogowski, Treasurer, presented the financial report to the membership highlighting the balanced budget with a surplus of \$22,773 due to one staff member being on leave and another staff position that was vacant a few months until Christine Brown started in November. \$27,808 was taken in from digitization work that we did for members. The ARPA grant provided money which was distributed to library systems to upgrade internet/technology. Audit was done in August and will be presented to the Board in December.

**Executive Director's Report.** Mary-Carol Lindbloom reported that this year's Annual Report will be coming to you in the near future. We now have 88 members, many came to us through the Consider the Source project. Sixteen digitization grants and 3 DEI consulting grants were awarded to members. \$120,000 in grants was this past year. We continue to tread water with NYS funding. Fund, protect, and empower is NYLA's new focus. We added 66,800 new objects to NY Heritage. Our hospitals all received grants and access to electronic journals. SCORA, a program that would enable library users use multiple libraries resources. We attempted to launch it right before COVID so it did not take off so we will be trying to revive this. BARC (another resource sharing program) is back to pre-pandemic levels and is serviced by Tompkins Cortland Community College. A membership needs assessment survey will be forthcoming.

**Board of Trustees Election.** Matthew Roslund presented the Slate of Trustees on behalf of the Nominating and Board Development Committee. There were two board seats up for election to five-year terms:

Mary Ann Munroe, Greater Southern Tier BOCES SLS  
Fiona Patrick, Corning, Inc.

A motion to approve the nominations was made by Steve Bachman and seconded by Julia Iannello. Approved.

**Bylaws.** The new bylaws were meticulously reviewed by the Board of Trustees Bylaws & State Regulations Committee along with our lawyer, Stephanie Cole Adams providing guidelines and some wording. A motion to approve the new Bylaws was made by Matthew Roslund and seconded by Gaby Castro Gessner. Approved.

**Adjournment of Business Meeting.** A motion to adjourn was made by Marge Kappanadze and seconded by Steven Bachman. The meeting adjourned at 1:40 p.m.

Minutes were recorded by Matthew Roslund, Board Secretary