South Central Regional Library Council  
Board Meeting  
January 29, 2016  
SCRLC, Ithaca, NY

Present:  
Camille Andrews  
Steven Bachman  
Linda Beins  
Lisabeth Chabot  
Kate Dimitrova  
Jill Dixon  
Deborah Gagnon  
Jean Jenkins  
Susan LeBlanc  
Aprille Nace  
Al Oliveras  
David Stevick  
Nicole Waskie-Laura

Excused:  
Mark Smith  
Charles O’Bryan

Staff:  
Diane Capalongo  
Danna Harris  
Mary-Carol Lindbloom

Guests:  
Sarah Glogowski

Presiding. A. Nace called the meeting to order at 9:36 a.m.

Consent Agenda

DOC.#2016 – 1, 2. (Approval of Agenda, Approval of Minutes). L. Beins moved to approve; seconded by J. Jenkins. Approved.

DOC.#2016 - 4  
November 2015 Bill Sheet. L. Chabot moved to approve; seconded by A. Oliveras. Approved.

DOC.#2016 - 6  
December 2015 Bill Sheet. J. Dixon moved to approve; seconded by D, Gagnon. Approved.

DOC.#2016 - 8  
2016 Work Plan. Some items from 2015 Work Plan have been moved to 2016 due to unexpected staff changes. Highlights: a RS/Outreach Librarian will be hired by end of fiscal year; CE needs assessment will be going out to members in the very near future; will implement the RS subsidy and create RS LibGuide; HLSP looking at people vs. resources needs; collaborating with ESLN on Academic Librarians 2016 conference; advocacy committee plan will be developed and become more active this year; regional networking groups will be a development focus; review membership dues and fees. S. Bachman moved to approve; seconded by Linda Beins. Approved.

DOC. #2016 - 9  
Seneca Falls Historical Society Membership Application. S. LeBlanc moved to approve; seconded by J. Dixon. Approved.
Seneca Falls Library Membership Application. S. Bachman moved to approve; seconded by D. Gagnon. Approved.

Nominating & Board Development Committee. L. Beins made a motion to nominate S. LeBlanc for the Vice President position. Seconded by J. Dixon. Approved.

Sarah Glogowski will be taking L. Beins seat as Finger Lakes Library System board representative. L. Beins moved to approve; seconded by S. Bachman. Approved.

MC Lindbloom will apply for a NYCON grant to subsidize the board retreat. A. Nace would like to do a more in-depth board audit with the assistance of Scott Heyman, Director of Education & Training at the Human Services Coalition. Please forward any other ideas/suggestions to MC. Lindbloom or A. Nace. Deadline for the grant application is March 1st.

Open Discussion: How to Get Board Members Fully Involved. Need to consider succession planning for board; maybe vice president could be designated as president-elect; strengthen executive committee role; use Finance & Audit Committee as pathway to being treasurer; Linda thinks the secretary needs to be in person at meetings to confidently review minutes; maybe have terms for committees to expand knowledge of other committees; board members should serve on an advisory committee or participate in SIGs; wary of creating terms for committees too much bureaucracy; designate mentors for new board members for more continuity; perhaps chair of each committee could be the mentor for new members; should have a mentor for the treasurer position; needs to be a hand-off/conversation when committee chairs change; executive committee and chairs need to meet and develop a yearly game plan; query new members about what they need to be more effective board members.

President/president elect idea needs to be further discussed among nominating/bylaws committees.

Board members should serve on advisory committees, if possible.

Look at advisory committees as source of board members.

Next step: have executive committee/committee chair meeting.

Executive Director’s Report. Kudos to Julia for bringing in 2 new members and developing digitization value statement; FINRA grant not funded, may reapply at some point in the future; MWBE/governor requirements: how much will they affect SCRLC and other councils - will be discussed at next ESLN meeting; ELD may be scaled back to better serve member needs; I2NY initiative: assessment and digitization
are the most active pieces, some projects have lost momentum or completed their tasks as far as they can go; would like to offer a Mango Languages trial to all members (currently FLLS offers to members; can we leverage that and offer to all member systems at a good price?).

**Adjournment.** Motion to adjourn made by L. Beins; seconded by J. Dixon

Meeting was adjourned at 11:36 a.m.

Next meeting will be on **Friday, March 18, Corning Community College, Corning, NY.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Al Oliveras, Secretary