New Hampshire Library Association
Executive Board Meeting
June 19, 2007
2:00 p.m.
Local Government Center, Concord

Present: Annie Donahue, Andrea Thorpe, Judy Haskell, Amy Thurber, Randy Brough, Carl Heidenblad, Marilyn Borgendale, Sean Fleming, Sarah Leonardi, Ann Hoey, Mary Ahlgren, Claudia Mayer, Darcy Coffta

I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by President Annie Donahue.

II. Minutes: Minutes of the May 8, 2007 meeting were approved by those present.

III. Officer Reports:
A. President’s Report—Annie Donahue—the LGC is having a conference November 7-9, 2007 and Annie contacted Terri Knowles about presenting a session. Although she agreed, the June 15 registration date has passed, so Annie will follow up to see if we can still be on the program. The Great Bay Chapter of the American Red Cross appealed for program funds – we declined. Annie received a letter about $15,000 from the CD overcharge settlement that may be coming to NHLA. As it is time to renew our agreement with the LGC, Annie will also explore including graphic design.
B. Vice President’s Report—Amy Thurber—the Fall conference will be at the Common Man restaurant in Plymouth. The program will include Casey Bisson and the director of the Tamworth Public Library as well as a session on graphic novels run by the Center for Cartoon Studies in White River Junction, VT.
C. Treasurer’s Report—Carl Heidenblad—Carl distributed the report, including the draft budget.
D. Past-President—Doris Mitton—not in attendance.
E. NELA Representative Report—Judy Haskell—the $500 from each state pays for the Counterparts conference. Participants are charged $25 to cover lunch and a book, and anyone can attend. NELA says NH has paid this already. Judy will post info about it on the NHLA blog. Judy is still unsure about whether or not there are additional charges for the NELLS participants besides the $2000 each state is asked to provide. She will also find out how many librarians we can send.
F. ALA Representative Report—Rob Sargent—not in attendance; goes to ALA this week.

IV. Old Business:
A. Budget Planning—We reviewed the decisions from the last meeting as shown in the draft budget Carl distributed. We agreed to increase the anticipated membership dues to balance income and expense. We discussed how we are accounting for the Flume award: the unspent amount should be $500 plus the 2005 Barnes and Noble award. We have the money in savings – Carl will look for
the actual amount and add it as income and expense in the 2007-2008 budget. The awards line is increased to $200 (Geisel and Flume) and Ways and Means is increased to $900. We allocated $300 for IT and $1200 for advocacy with the income being credited from savings. **Randy moved we accept the budget as worked out today. Judy seconded.** Motion passed.

**B. Conference Committee**—Ann Hoey brought a tentative financial report of the 2007 conference. The NHEMA treasurer expects to close out the books on the conference by the end of August. Annie was approached by several people about holding the NHEMA conference at the end of NHLA’s. The Sheraton Hotel is not available the days we chose — the conference committee will work out the dates and the structure.

**V. New Business:**

**A. YALS**—Ann Hoey reported that some of the members are interested in becoming a section. Information on how to do this is in the bylaws.

**VI. Section Reports:**

**A. Academics**—no one in attendance.

**B. CHILIS**—Ann Hoey reported that next summer’s theme will be “G’day for reading” with artist Stephanie Piro.

**C. READS**—Claudia Mayer—49 new members; 176 full members. Sessions at NHLA were a success and 28 libraries are sponsoring Reads to Go books. Fall program is 10/26/07: People Places and Things: Security in Today’s Libraries. Reads awards nominations are due August 1.

**D. Urbans**—Mary Ann Senatro—Monthly topic for the April meeting was Circulation Policies. At the NHLA conference attendance was good at the Director’s Roundtable sponsored by Urbans. The group had a lively discussion ranging from Trustee and Director relations to how to promote the value of libraries to salary compensation. Ann Hoey from the NHSL will be the speaker at our June meeting.

**VII. Committee Reports:**

**A. Advocacy**—Darcy Coffta—committee will meet this summer.

**B. Bylaws**—Cathy Redden—not in attendance.

**C. Conference**—Ann Hoey – reported above.

**D. Continuing Education**—Andrea Thorpe—Library 2.0 September 24, 2007.

**E. Intellectual Freedom**—Mary Ahlgren—challenge in Dunbarton re: Mother Jones cover.

**F. Legislative**—Randy Brough—nothing to report.

**G. Membership**—Marilyn Borgendale—Even though the Orient Express did not turn out as planned, we were able to acknowledge new members at the Friday lunch at NHLC.

**H. Scholarship**—Sarah Leonardi—nothing to report.

**I. Ways and Means**—Sean Fleming—this year’s Barnes and Noble goes to CHILIS for Great Stone Face. Raffle baskets for Fall Conference. Fundraising among the membership.

**VIII. Newsletter Editor**—Rebecca Clerkin—not in attendance.
IX. Website Coordinator—Steve Butzel— not in attendance.

X. Liaison Reports:
   A. Center for the Book—Andrea Thorpe—nothing to report.
   B. NHAIS—Steven K. Butzel—not in attendance.
   C. NH State Library—Ann Hoey—nothing to report.
      Sarah Leonardi raised the question about membership on the Council.
      Ann and Annie will contact Mike York about how many representatives
      NHLA is supposed to have.
   E. Trustees Association Liaison—Ann Fabrizio—not in attendance.

XI. Adjournment at 3:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Marilyn Borgendale for Dianne Hathaway, Secretary.