

**New Hampshire Library Association  
Executive Board Meeting  
July 17, 2007  
2:00 p.m.  
Local Government Center, Concord**

Present: Annie Donahue, Andrea Thorpe, Judy Haskell, Amy Thurber, Rob Sargent, Ann Hoey, Marilyn Borgendale, Sean Fleming, Sarah Leonardi, Mary Ann Senatrot, Mary Ahlgren, Steve Butzel, Heather Shumway, Dianne Hathaway

- I. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by President Annie Donahue.
- II. **Minutes:** Minutes of the June 12, 2007 meeting were approved by those present.
- III. **Officer Reports:**
  - A. **President's Report—Annie Donahue—**Catherine Redden is hoping to be in rehab by the end of the week. Cards may be sent to: 12 Ridgecrest Drive, Exeter, NH 03833. **The August NHLA board meeting will not be held—have a wonderful summer!** Jenny Eldrige is the contact at LGC; we do have a contract for graphic design assistance from them.
  - B. **Vice President's Report—Amy Thurber—**Working on the fall business meeting and the draft of the flyer is done. LGC would like everything by August 31<sup>st</sup>.
  - C. **Treasurer's Report—Carl Heidenblad—**not in attendance.
  - D. **Past-President—Doris Mitton—**not in attendance. Annie has not heard from Doris regarding nominations for a new slate of officers nor has she seen anything regarding the Ann Geisel Award. The positions of vice president and secretary will be on the ballot. There is some confusion about the Geisel Award—the web site has old information and the deadline for nominations is not there. More publicity needs to be done to make this award truly special. The deadline has been extended to August 31<sup>st</sup>.
  - E. **NELA Representative Report—Judy Haskell—**Counterparts is occurring this week. More information is available on the NELA web site. There was discussion about the timing of Counterparts in July.
  - F. **ALA Representative Report—Rob Sargent—**Posted an entry on the blog to report his ALA experience!
- IV. **Old Business:**
  - A. **LGC Conference:** We will not present a program at the November LGC conference as anticipated.
  - B. **NH State Library Advisory Board—**NHLA usually has 5 members on the board but it seems more casual than NHLA sending their own representation. NHLA has not been sending representation and there is concern the board is basically powerless. The understanding ranges from the NHLA president appointing members to members finding their own replacement. This membership is governed by statute.

## **V. New Business:**

- A.** Sarah asked about the NH Law Librarians Association that is listed in the *NH Library Directory*. She is wondering about a possible collaboration or some other way to work together. We have use for their expertise but there isn't much we can offer them. We offer awards and scholarships that are broad enough to encompass law librarians. It may be worthwhile to reach out to librarians in specialized fields like medical, legal and art librarians.

## **I. Section Reports:**

- B.** Academics—no one in attendance.
- C.** CHILIS—Pam Stauffacher—not in attendance. This is the middle of summer reading.
- D.** READS—Claudia Mayer—not in attendance.
- E.** Urbans—Mary Ann Senatrot—Ann Hoey was the speaker at their last meeting. Presenting a webinar in September about web 2.0.

## **II. Committee Reports:**

- F.** Advocacy—Darcy Coffta—not in attendance.
- G.** Bylaws—Cathy Redden—not in attendance.
- H.** Conference—Heather Shumway—The follow-up meeting was held and it looks like NHLA will lose money this year. Heather believes it is a good thing financially that we are moving off on our own. Looking for a location and date for the 2008 conference. LGC is coming up with several proposals for a location. Once a date is scheduled Heather will put out a meeting call.
- I.** Continuing Education—Andrea Thorpe—The web 2.0 workshop on September 24<sup>th</sup> is coming together.
- J.** Intellectual Freedom—Mary Ahlgren—nothing is happening. The READS fall conference is on October 26<sup>th</sup> and will focus on library security.
- K.** Legislative—Randy Brough—not in attendance.
- L.** Membership—Marilyn Borgendale—nothing new to report.
- M.** Scholarship—Sarah Leonardi—nothing to report.
- N.** Ways and Means—Sean Fleming—Planning fall conference auction. He and Claudia are also planning tote bags to sell.

**III. Newsletter Editor—Rebecca Clerkin**—not in attendance. The last newsletter was delayed because the van did not arrive on the appointed day to pick it up.

**IV. Website Coordinator—Steve Butzel**—The previous conference web site had been separate from the NHLA site. The next one will just be part of [www.nhlibrarians.org](http://www.nhlibrarians.org). Steve will post photos on a Flickr site that he hasn't loaded yet. People are contributing to the blog—READS and the ALA conference are represented. Sarah asked about site statistics since it has been refurbished. There was a blog entry from a pharmaceutical company that came across as spam. Right now there are three places for electronic discussion: NHAIS-L, WebJunction and the NHLA blog.

**V. Liaison Reports:**

- O.** Center for the Book—Andrea Thorpe—A “Big Read” grant was received for the state to read *Fahrenheit 451* this fall and the NH Humanities Council will present some programming surrounding this project.
  - P.** NHAIS—Steven K. Butzel—nothing going on. There seems to be some frustration about the attention and time this gets. No meetings have been held and this is not uncommon. On another note, Joe Dionne’s wife passed away last weekend.
  - Q.** NH State Library—Ann Hoey—Call the NHSL if there is interest in the Downloadable Audio Service.
  - R.** NH State Library Advisory Council—Katherine Hiller—not in attendance.
  - S.** Trustees Association Liaison—Ann Fabrizio—not in attendance.
- VI.** Adjournment at 2:57 p.m. Our next meeting will be on September 18<sup>th</sup>. The October meeting is on the 23<sup>rd</sup>; no meeting in November because of the annual meeting.

Respectfully submitted by Dianne Hathaway, Secretary.