NHLA Executive Board Meeting 6/12/18
Baker Free Library

- Call to order at 2:06 PM
- Members Present: Sylvie Brikiatis, Christine Friese, Matthew Gunby, Deann Hunter, Marilyn Borgendale, Amy Lappin, Denise van Zanten, Kate Thomas, Sarah Frost, Lori Fisher, Sam Lucius, Beverly Pietlicki, Todd Fabian, Julia Lanter, Deb Hoadley, Caitlin Loving, Randy Brough, Lisa Jose, Sarah Leonardi, Emily Weiss, Marina Buckler, Marita Klements, Kim Gabert

- Approve agenda. Motion to approve agenda made by Julia Lanter, seconded by Lori Fisher. Motion carries.
- Approve mintues made by Lori Fisher seconded by Kate Thomas. Motion carries.

President’s Report
- NHLTA interested in working with conference committee (possibility of joint conference at some future point) and advocacy committee.

Vice President’s Report
- NHLA Annual Meeting
- Diversity, Equity and Getting to Yes.
- Plymouth Common Man
- Friday November 2nd.

Treasurer’s Report
- Update to Budget. Change to conference line made. Motion to accept amended budget made by Amy Lappin seconded by Christine Friese. Motion carries.
- Transitioning Winchell Loans to QuickBooks. Auditors will help with transition.

New Business
- Google for Non-Profit: accounts set up for officers. Email accounts with title vs. individual name, e.g. president@nhlibrarians.org
  - Use GoogleDrive application. Each member of EB can set up their own login. One place for all digital documents.
- AffiniPay vs. PayPal for WA. Alleviates many of the problems with PayPal. Motion to transition from PayPal to AffiniPay made by Sylvie Brikiatis, seconded by Deann Hunter. Motion carries.
  - Question regarding merchandise.
  - Wild Apricot would not work with Winchell Loans. Currently only one person using this service.
  - Will look into need for PayPal outside Wild Apricot.
  - AffiniPay can be used outside of Wild Apricot.
- Policy for scholarship moneys raised during conferences. Written policy should be brought to August meeting for vote.
NELLs new financial structure. Letter being drafted by NELA to each state. Base pay will be $2,000. Selection criteria process separate from state contribution. Cost to applicant apx. $650. Process for funding within each state different.

Update on Loan info tracking in QB

Section and Committee highlights

Scholarship
- 4 year term instead of 5 year term for Winchell Loan repayment.
- Require recipients to maintain NHLA status or have loan immediately become due.
- Motion to accept changes to Winchell Loan terms made by Kate Thomas seconded by Lori Fisher. Motion carries.
- Bringing Winchell Loan applicants before the Executive Board. Not for authorization, but in case EB members have any knowledge of the applicants.
- Asking recipients to share their experience.
- Pass on information on scholarship opportunities.
- Ask that recipients be enrolled in a university and be a member of NHLA.

Continuing Education Committee
NHCE meeting Wednesday 6/13 at 10:00 at the Derry Public Library.

Past President

Membership
- 4 new members to the Membership Committee.
- Hope to have updated membership payment breakdown recommendation for next Executive Board Meeting.

YALS
CLNH
READS
ULAC
Paralibrarian Section
Advocacy Committee
Information Technology Section
Intellectual Freedom Committee: no report
Conference Committee
Bylaws Committee
- Bylaws change – change to term proposal
- Article 4 section 2 should read:
  - All officers shall be elected by ballot and shall serve until their successors are elected and take office. All officers are elected annually except the Treasurer
whose term shall be three years (elected on alternate years; the first year serving as Treasurer-Elect, the second and third years as Treasurer), the ALA Councilor and NELA Representative, whose terms shall be three years. New officers shall assume their duties in January following the fall election. A new ALA Councilor will assume office at the next ALA meeting. All newly elected officers shall attend the officers meeting in November and the board meeting in December prior to assuming their offices.

- Motion to accept bylaw change as amended made by Marilyn Borgendale, seconded by Beverly Pietlicki. Motion carries.

- Legislative Committee: no report submitted
- ALA Liaison
  - Motion to have NHLA lend endorsement to ALA proclamation made by Lori Fisher seconded by Julie Lanter. Motion carries.

- New England Library Association Liaison
- NH Center for the Book Liaison
- NHLTA Liaison
- Nominating Committee
- Branding Adhoc committee
  - 6 respondents. Half have marketing experience and now comprise the committee.
  - ALA has allowed for NH Libraries Transform logo to be used by NHLA.
- Possibility of having official liaison to state library or report submitted.
- Meeting adjourned at 3:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Matthew Gunby
NHLA President’s Report for June 2018

Attended and helped with registration at the Small Libraries Summit on 4/26. A Committee is being formed for the next summit.

Attended the NHLTA board meeting on 6/6/18 and attended the NHLTA conference in May. I was pleased to see so many library staff in attendance. The board has expressed an interest in working with our conference committee to possibly have a joint spring conference in 2021.

Advocacy—The US Senate has signed a resolution to return to net neutrality. At this time it does not seem that the House is likely to take up the issue, but I am monitoring and will put out a call to contact our representatives at the appropriate time.

At May’s officers’ meeting we had a discussion on developing a policy for the use of unrestricted scholarship funds raised at conferences. A policy will be presented to the board before the end of this term. We discussed asking for a bylaws change addressing the transfer of duties for newly elected officers and a draft will be presented at the June meeting for board approval. We also asked the membership committee to draft a recommendation for changes to the membership structure and recommendations will be presented at the August meeting.

Respectfully submitted by,

Sylvie Brikiatis, NHLA President
NHLA Treasurer’s Report  
June 2018  
Deann Hunter, NHLA Treasurer

Financial Report  
Please find attached a copy of  
- NHLA’s July 2017-May 2018 Profit & Loss Statement  
- NHLA’s Balance Sheet as of May 31, 2018  
- FY18 Expenses and Income as of May 31, 2018  
- FY19 Amended Proposed Budget – NHLA Unrestricted

NHLA’s total assets as of May 31, 2018 were $211,396.16.

Review of NHLA’s FY18 accounts:  
Howe, Riley & Howe will be at the Laconia Library during the week of August 20-24, 2018 for the review.

Winchell Loan tracking via Quickbooks update:  
Todd from Howe, Riley & Howe will assist with the Winchell Loan transition to Quickbooks during the review process.

Below is a listing of cash held by each account as of May 31, 2018.

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The Scholarship Committee is requesting approval from the Executive Board on multiple proposals.

The committee met via Go-To-Meeting on Friday, May 25. We reviewed the terms of F. Mabel Winchell Loan and propose the following changes commencing in September 2018:

1. **Shorten the term of the loan from five years to four years.**
2. **Increase the award from $1500 to $2000.**
3. **Require recipients to maintain their NHLA membership for the term of the loan. A lapse in membership will require immediate repayment of the balance of the loan.**

The committee reviewed three applications for the F. Mabel Winchell Loan and Rosalie Norris Scholarships. Three additional applications were submitted, but did not meet the criteria for the awards. With just under $4000 in the scholarship fund, we propose granting one award now and holding funds for two awards in the fall. **Our choice for the scholarship is Kathleen Kenyon.** Her application is strong with strong and diverse references. She is on track to receive her M.S. in Library and Information Science from St. John’s Univeristy this year. **We also would like to offer Natalia Bairamova a F. Mabel Winchell Loan.** Natalia is attending the University of North Texas.

The committee also discussed ways to further publicize NHLA’s awards for graduate study. We will feature this year’s recipient on nhlibrarians.org and members will be contacting past recipients for testimonials that may be posted there as well. We urge NHLA members to encourage the library school students they know to join and apply for the loans and scholarships.

Respectfully submitted,
Sarah Leonardi
NHLA Continuing Education Committee Report

June 12, 2018

The CE Committee has not met since our last meeting, April 3. Our next meeting is scheduled for Aug. 7 from 2-4 at the NH Municipal Association building in Concord.

We received our first MacDonald Fund Grant application, and it was approved. We voted to accept the whole amount of the application, including mileage. The total amount was 329.10. We had agreed to a $300 cap per year, per applicant, but due to the fact the application and criteria is not on the website yet, we voted to accept the full amount.

We received 243 responses to the CE Survey. I am in the process of going over the analytics to pull out the relevant information. A couple of highlights right now:

- 61% answered they did not know about the MacDonald Fund Grant
- Top 3 choices for gap in personal knowledge were: Community Engagement (46%), Technology (44%), and Advocacy & Marketing (42%).
- Top 3 choices for gap in library staff knowledge were: Technology (60%), Advocacy & Marketing (41%), and Community Engagement (40%).
- Preferred learning style is combining in-person and online (ongoing series)
- Most prefer half-day training
- Many people commented they were glad we were asking these questions. A few comments related to offering a certificate program, or at the very least, every committee should offer certificates of completion. Academic libraries and libraries in the north would like more access to training.

I attended the joint NH/MA Paralibrarian Meeting virtually. There is a desire to have some kind of reciprocity program. As a member of the NELA Conference Program Committee, I have put in a program for a roundtable around this topic. We also discussed a New England Paralibrarian Section for NELA.

Respectfully submitted,

Deb Hoadley
Continuing Education Committee Chair
NHLA Past President’s Report for April 2018

The Google-for-Nonprofits G-Suite is online for NHLA. Thank you, Marina, for validating our domain and setting up the MX records. This means we can establish email addresses such as president@nhlibrarians.org, although we will have to figure out how to implement these so that they are useful.

The most useful functionality is the Google Drive, which is designed for an organization of individuals to access. Everyone on the Executive Board will be getting an email that will be their login to the Drive. I’ve migrated all the documents from the nhexecutive@gmail.com account. Once the Drive is better organized, we will be asking everyone to use it for shared files and archives. For instance, we can create a Team Folder for each section or for the Conference Committee.

Emails seeking nominations for the Ann Geisel Award of Merit and nominations for NHLA officers have been sent to the membership. Both have a deadline of July 31, 2018.

Marilyn Borgendale
Immediate Past President
Membership Committee Report
NHLA Board Meeting - Tuesday, June 12th, 2018

- Aggregated membership information into map layout to show state distribution (for Christine)
- Created member lists of those registered for upcoming events, with membership dues pending
- Reviewed process for generating NELA Membership reports with Deann & Sylvie; only fully paid memberships have been recorded for each monthly report.
- Discussed a member’s request to have group accounts available in WA with Sylvie, Deanne & Marilyn (answer: not possible)
- Contacted libraries with incomplete membership applications to request payment/additional data
- Processed and/or redirected event checks that were sent my way
- Submitted the May & June NELA/NHLA Joint Membership report to Bob @ NELA
- Submitted thoughts & ideas to Officers (via Sylvie) re: possibility of reducing the Lifetime Membership rate (keeping it the same for now)
- Edited last year’s copy of the ALA/NHLA Joint Student Membership brochure with Sylvie for 2018-2019 (update of changes to sections)
- Assisted Adam Di Filippe with instructions on updating the Paralibrarians group list
- Ran a report on outstanding membership invoices from the first of the year; there is approximately $500.00 in total outstanding dues for 2018
- Membership Committee:
  - Contacted 4 new people for the Membership Committee. Three confirmed: Brittney Bergholm (Merrimack), Aimee Lockhardt (Dover), and Azra Karabegovic (Bristol).
  - Brittney Bergholm has agreed to be my backup. I created an instructional guide, and met with her on 5/30/18 to train her on how to use Wild Apricot. She successfully ran an accurate report on her own, and will be a great addition to the committee.
  - We are meeting on July 25th to discuss changes to the Membership dues, and will have a proposition about the dues in place for the August NHLA Board Meeting.
Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Jose, NHLA Membership Chair
YALS June Report

On May 24, YALS met at HealthTrust in Concord, NH to discuss our September 27th Conference. The conference will be held at HealthTrust, located at 25 Triangle Park in Concord, NH. The Conference theme will be Advocating for Your Teens. Below is a draft of the Conference schedule.

9:30- 10:00  Breakfast and Registration
10:00-10:15  Business meeting and Voting for new officers
10:30 -11:15  Sexual Violence Survivor’s Panel – Erin Moulton (Things We Haven’t Said: Sexual Violence Survivors Speak Out) and teen sexual violence survivors – A conversation about how libraries can provide safe spaces and information for victims of Sexual Violence, suggested reading list provided

11:30- 11:45 Isinglass and Flume Update- Justine Fafara (Flume Chair) and Katherine Bollenbach (Isinglass Chair) will discuss the changes that have been made with the Isinglass and Flume teen reads awards and website

11:45 – 12:20 School Shootings & Active Shooters, How to Keep Your Teens Safe Panel
Speaker TBA

12:20 – 1:00  Lunch Break
12:30-1:00  Featured Speaker- Kwame Alexander Author of over 21 books including The Crossover, which won the 2015 Newbery Medal. Kwame ‘s has two books published in 2018, Rebound was published in April of this year and Swing, which Kwame co-authored with Mary Rand Hess, will be hitting shelves on October 2nd.

1:00- 1:20  Social Networking Time & Advocacy Tools Petting Zoo- Touch base with your colleagues as you explore hands activates like button making, apps for publishing eye-catching posters & handouts, learn how the YALSA website can improve your services to teens, and discover other resources to help you inexpensively improve how you advocate for your teens.

1:30 -2:15 Steam in a Box with Portsmouth Naval Shipyard Edward Cormier (Portsmouth Naval Shipyard Recruiting & STEM Outreach Coordinator discusses how your library can team up with the Department of Defense to bring free STEAM programming or teacher training to your library.

2:15 – 2:45 - Steam Programming Share Get a hands on look at the STEAM program you can bring to your library.
2:45 Raffle- Raffle tickets will be available throughout the day. We will be raffling off a $75 gift card to Amazon.

3:00 End

YALS will next meet on August at 10:00 am at the HealthTrust in Concord, NH. We will discuss final preparations for our conference.

NHLA members who have recommendation for STEAM programs are invited to send your recommendations to YALS at our new email address yalsnhla@gmail.com. YALS also is seeking resources and book recommendation on the subject of Sexual Assault, School Shootings and STEAM. Please send any recommendations to us via our email address.

Respectfully Submitted,
Julia Lanter, Vice President YALS
June 9, 2018
CLNH Report
NHLA Executive Meeting
6/5/2018

CLNH held our Spring Conference on May 17th at Pat’s Peak in Henniker, NH. We announced the winner of the Librarian of the Year Award, Rachel Baker of the Elkins Public Library in Canterbury, NH. Grace Lin presented “Putting Books to Work”, talking about her experience with diverse books and how to get them to circulate. We also had Kirsten Cappy of the I’m Your Neighbor project join us to talk about her efforts to create a “Welcoming Library” collection that circulates through Maine and uses materials to welcome immigrants, refugees and other new arrivals to a community. After lunch we held our Great Stone Face Tea, which we live streamed for any librarians who were unable to join us in person. The winner of the 2017-2018 Great Stone Face Award was Ghosts by Raina Telgemeier! We heard book talks for the nominees for the 2018-2019 award and are quite excited for the coming year.

Respectfully,
Letty Goerner
CLNH President
READS Report to the Executive Board

The READS Executive board met last on May 11 at the Concord Public Library before the READS/IT joint event held at the Concord State Library. This event was hugely successful due to the hard work of Eileen Gilbert and Mat Bose and many others including the State library staff. There were 37 in attendance and everyone was in a good mood and commented on the fact that they learned so much.

The READS spring roundtables, although not full were successful with a total of 52 attendees.

Nominations are now being accepted for the READS Awards of Excellence. The executive board has been working to put together the committee members. We should have a full committee to conduct the reviews for the award. The deadline for nominations is June 30, 2018.

Betsy Solon is our new Vice President and she will take over as President in November, following Betsy’s appointment as President in November, the board has asked Mindy Atwood to serve as the new Vice President elect.

The READS Conference will take place in Laconia at the Beane Center on October 12th. The theme will be library spaces.

Deborah Dutcher continues to provide opportunities for librarians to meet, discuss, and networking on services to seniors. Her next proposed meeting in June 27th, and she is looking for stories relating to veterans in our communities. Please e-mail her with your ideas and or questions.

Emily Weiss continues to do an excellent job serving on the Center for the Book Committee. She is working with Scott Campbell to provide a bi monthly READS newsletter to go out to the list serve promoting the READS section of NHLA.

Respectfully Submitted,

Beverly Pietlicki

READS President 2018
ULAC Report to NHLA

April 2018

Topic: Project Management:
-Betsy reported on the planning process used by Milford
-Todd explained how Concord used a Capstone program to design areas of the library
-Yvette described how Merrimack has used an NHTI class for landscaping design

Information Exchange:

Hudson— Linda is the new Library Director — congratulations! She plans to solicit much advice from our group

Dover- Budget should pass next week. Dover is celebrating its 400th anniversary in 2022.

Goffstown— transitioning new adult services position this week. Community Read next year will be “Waking Up White.”

Concord—Penacook Branch project is moving slowly – the building may fall into disrepair before it can be sold. The Concord Heights Branch Library (new popup branch) opens on June12th at the Community Center. Todd relayed some challenges he had with a recent Concord Reads author event. We sent a staff member to Computers in Libraries Conference in D.C. which has been well received.

Rochester— Defending library budget next week. Free comic book day coming up. A story about their partnership with a collection agency recently went nation-wide.

Merrimack—Human Library on April 14th was well-executed. The day was a busy one in town so attendance was not great. Library will be partnering with the conservation committee to catalog parcels of land.

Old Business: Unconference on September 28th Concord, NH, looking to line up speakers.

New Business: none

Sincerely
Todd Fabian
Concord Public Library
Paralibrarian Section Report for NHLA Executive Board June 2018

- The Review Committee and Board approved 2 new Paralibrarian certifications:
  - Lisa Cutter from Amherst Town Library – Level 2
  - Lauren Rettig from Davis Public Library in Stoddard – Level 1
- Continuing Education Committee is not yet ready to take over the basic course offerings so the Paralibrarian Section will continue until January. We are currently planning for a full slate of classes in the Fall which will hopefully cover the following topics:
  - Using Google Sheets
  - Basic Cataloging
  - Social Media Policy
  - Collection Development & Weeding
  - Memory Labs
- Membership is down substantially, **please encourage non-MLIS staff to consider joining the section and participating.**
- The Paralibrarian Certification Forms and Guidelines have been adopted. They follow core library services more closely. These will be posted to the Paralibrarian section of the NHLA website by June 30th. By September 1st all applications submitted for Paralibrarian Certification will need to follow the new guidelines and use the new forms. Any applications not using the new guidelines will have to be resubmitted.
- Elections are underway and the Paralibrarian section wants you to join us! We meet bimonthly and would love to have our section members consider joining in an official capacity. This is an excellent opportunity to network, grow professionally, and it counts towards certification. **To submit your name please contact:** Edmund Lowe (edmund.lowe@nashualibrary.org), Lindsey Blanchette (salisburyfree@gmail.com), or Cyndi Burnham (cyndib@goffstownlibrary.com).

Positions up for election are:

- Vice President/President Elect
- Secretary
- Treasurer

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Frost

Paralibrarian Section President
Advocacy Committee report for NHLA Board Meeting June 12, 2018

1. National Library Legislative Day, 5/7 & 5/8, 2018

I attended NLLD in Washington, DC with Mike York (State Librarian), Christine Friese (Portsmouth PL) and Emily Sennott (Merrimack PL). The information sessions on current issues were valuable, and we were able to meet with the staff of all of the NH Congressional delegation, as well as Carol Shea Porter in person. I was able to speak to Senators Hassen and Shaheen on the flight home; Emily and Mike attended Shaheen’s regular Wednesday coffee meeting with constituents and spoke to the Senator at that time. The four of us met for lunch on 6/4/18, and we’ve discussed a strategy for further engaging the district staff here in NH in order to build a stronger relationship between our Congressional delegation and the libraries here at home.

2. Advocacy Committee Go-To-Meeting 5/14/18

This initial meeting outlined our potential initiatives and priorities, and divided up some tasks among committee members so that we can make final decisions at our next meeting on where to focus our energies for the next few months. Top priorities are the Libraries Transform campaign through ALA, the Engage software implementation through NHLA, and the “Train the Trainer” Advocacy Bootcamp idea for NELA. Other ideas included DigitalLearn (a PLA initiative) and expanding/refining the advocacy toolkit on the NHLA web site.

3. NELA “Train the Trainer” Advocacy Bootcamp Initiative

We are moving forward with the “Train the Trainer” initiative, which will serve as a model for the rest of the country regarding how to get the Advocacy Bootcamp training out to libraries in each state. I am waiting to hear back final confirmation from the NELA 2018 Conference Committee on the approval of six 30-minute advocacy sessions, which would focus on one piece of the Bootcamp message and be presented by trainees as practice. James LaRue and Marci Merola from ALA are excited to be a part of this initiative, and have committed their time to help the trainees learn effective presentation techniques after the Rhode Island boot camp and through web meetings into 2019. More information will be coming in July and August for those who are interested in becoming a presenter of the Advocacy Bootcamp message for NH.

4. Engage implementation in NH

Sylvie, Marina, and I attended a JoinMe meeting with Colin Hay of cqEngage on Thursday 6/7. He conducted a brief overview of the functionality of the software, discussed how we can customize it to appear on our NHLA web site, and provided log in information to all of us. The three of us will be meeting in the coming weeks to get everything going, get it on the web site,
and start using it to promote national legislative advocacy actions to our membership by this fall.

5. Future plans

The committee will be meeting in-person in late July/early August to move forward with Libraries Transform and the use of Engage software.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Fisher, Chair
NHLA Advocacy Committee
ITS Report to NHLA

June 7, 2018

Steve (Treasurer) and Kate (President) joined forces with READS section and presented a program on May 11. Great attendance and reviews were good. Thanks again to Bobbi and the State Library for hosting. Loved the deep dark level tour!

ITS is now seeking nominations for the roles(s) of President, or co-Presidents. Our by-laws allow for Treasurer, currently held by Steve Viggiano who intends to stay on, and either a President or 2 co-Presidents. Each is for a one year term. Anyone interested should reach out to Steve or Kate in June.

Respectfully submitted,

Kate Thomas
Conference Chair Report
June 2018

The Conference Committee had their first meeting April 9th at Mill Falls.

- We determined the theme would be “Cozy Up to Your Community.”
- We had plans to have our follow up meeting June 12, but changed plans due to rescheduling ALA Advocacy Boot Camp. We are in the process of determining the next meeting date.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dara Bradds
Conference Co-Chair
ALA Councilor Report

June 2018

I attended the ALA Virtual Membership Meeting on May 17, 2018. These meetings are great ways for personal members to get a snapshot view of what is happening in the association. This was particularly well done. If you missed it, a recording and the transcript are available on the ALA website.

The ALA elections wrapped up in mid-April. The ALA President-Elect is Wanda Brown, Director of Library Services at the C.G. O’Kelly Library, Winston-Salem State University.

I will be attending the ALA Annual Conference and a Chapter Leaders Forum in New Orleans at the end of June.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Lappin

ALA NH Chapter Councilor, 2016-18

Deputy Director

Lebanon Public Libraries

Lebanon, NH
New England Library Association Report for NHLA Board June 2018

I was late in logging in to attend the NELA Board Meeting on May 18th due to an issue at my library. When I finally had time to login the meeting was finishing up at 11 am (which is a record for NELA for a full board meeting!). So below is information from the minutes:

- Bylaws changes reviewed and have been sent out to the membership for review. The By-laws chair is also asking sections to review their own bylaws to make sure they are accurate and offered assistance in updating them.
- ITS has their standalone conference on June 8th in Portsmouth.
- NELLS II registration is now open. The program is from August 14th to the 16th.
- Theresa Maturevich is stepping down as Help Desk Chair.
- ALS is starting to plan now for their March 2019 program.
- The NETSL conference on April 2nd had 165 attendees. They have already picked the date for next year- April 5th, 2019.
- Conference group met on May 5th. Registration costs are being finalized with registration slated to open the end of June. Speakers are as follows for major events:
  - **Keynote-Cyndee Sturgis Landrum** – Sunday 1pm-Contract completed
  - **Sunday Banquet- Margaret Willison**- Sunday 7:30p-No final contract
  - **Monday Luncheon- Podcast 12:15pm-No final contract**
  - **Monday NERTCL Luncheon- Tracy Baptiste** 12:15pm- Contract completed
  - **Tuesday-Loida Garcia-Febo, ALA President-Elect- 9am-Hotel accommodations**
  - **Tuesday Luncheon- Greg Maguire -12:15 pm- Contract completed**
  - The conference committee is working on a Social Hour to be held at the Warwick Public Library on October 22nd after the last program session.
- **Verbal Judo program to be held July 11th in Shrewsbury**- I believe there are spaces still available.

NELLS – I attended the meeting on May 3rd. I was unable to attend the NELLS meeting on June 4th. However the group is working on changing the financial structure which would ask the states for $2000 each (base fee) and the selection process would be based on applicants and not on how many from each state. Basically the $2000 is to be support NELLS as our leadership program but it doesn’t guarantee a set number of spots per state. The State Reps will also be more involved. A letter is currently being drafted by the NELLS co-chairs and NELA President to be sent to the states with the information. Will keep you posted.
I plan on attending the July 20th meeting which is in person at Canterbury Shaker Village.

In my role as your NHLA 2019 Conference Co-Chair we have started lining up vendors by reaching out to them via our subcommittee- Randy Brough, Deb Hoadley and Steve Butzel. To date I have 5 vendors verbally confirm with me that they are signing up to come. Randy has met with the bookstore in Meredith to assist us as well. Dara and I should probably meet to plan out the next steps and to come up with a draft code of conduct for the conference.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise M. van Zanten

NHLA Representative to NELA
Center for the Book Report

I will attend the Center for the Book Advisory Board meeting on Thursday, June 14 at the NH State Library.

Respectfully submitted,
Emily Weiss
NHLA Liaison to the Center for the Book
NHLTA Liaison Report to the NHLA Executive Board
Marty Davis
http://www.nhlta.org/
June 12, 2018
NHMA, 25 Triangle Park Drive, Concord, NH

Governance
The committee is working to recruit new Board and Committee members.

Education
Our Annual Conference went smoothly. It was noted that there were 45 library directors among the attendees.

Orientation Workshop/Regional Meeting: September 13 at the Weeks Memorial Library in Lancaster.

Regional Meetings
Conway: Saturday, August 11 at 10:30 AM
Stoddard: September at the Davis Public Library.
Guilford: Susan and Conrad are working to set up a meeting in Guilford
Rye: Conrad is working to set up a meeting in Rye in late October/early November.

Officers
The slate of officers was approved: Mary Castelli, President; Susan Gaudiello, Vice President; Marty Davis, Secretary; Mark Branoff, Treasurer.