

ULSTER COUNTY LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

December 19, 2023

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Steven Cook (Elting Memorial Library, New Paltz) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Julie Kelsall-Dempsey (Highland Public Library) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tracy Priest (Hurley Library) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Margie Menard (Kingston Library) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Christina Jennerich (Marlboro Public Library) | <input type="checkbox"/> Gisi Vella (Morton Memorial Library, Pine Hill) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chrissy Lawlor (Olive Free Library Association) | <input type="checkbox"/> Liz Potter (Phoenicia Library) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Darren Lanspery (Plattekill Public Library) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Katie Scott-Childress (Rosendale Library) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lois Skelly (Sarah Hull Hallock Free Lib, Milton) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jennifer Russell (Saugerties Public Library/ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jody Ford (Stone Ridge Public Library) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jesse Chance (Town of Esopus Library) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mary Collins (Town of Ulster Public Library) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kara Keene (West Hurley Public Library) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ivy Gocker (Woodstock Public Library) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nancy Krom (Cragmoor Free Library) | <input type="checkbox"/> Susan Mangan (Ellenville Public Library) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nicole Lane (Gardiner Library) | <input type="checkbox"/> Lisa Palmer (Wallkill Public Library) |

MHLS Board Member: Ken Goldberg

MHLS Staff Members: Rebekkah Smith-Aldrich

The meeting of the Ulster County Library Association was called to order by Katie Scott-Childress at 10:04 am virtually, via Zoom.

Minutes:

Julie Kelsall-Dempsey made a motion to approve the November 21, 2023 minutes. Kara Keene seconded. All-in favor. Approved.

County Legislature 2024 Budget:

Discussion regarding the Ulster County Legislature budget. The budget was signed by the county executive, funding UCLA with \$102,400.

Treasurer's Report:

Kara Keene reported that county funding was received, a full report will be presented at January 2024's meeting.

MHLS RSAC Appointment:

Jennifer Russell at Saugerties Library will fill the open position on RSAC.

Ad-hoc Committee for Managing Publicity & Digital Resource Manager:

Interviews were held with 2 qualified candidates. Katie Scott-Childress made a recommendation of Quinn Jordan to the position. Katie Scott-Childress makes a motion to hire Quinn Jordan as Social Media Specialist for UCLA. Margie Menard seconded. All in favor. Approved. An offer will be extended.

Review of ByLaws:

Darren Lanspery and Kara Keene will review the UCLA bylaws. Updates may be needed regarding concerns about officers and quorum. A full review will be undertaken.

12/2023 Overdrive Spending Report:

Discussion regarding the spending report that was disseminated by MHLS. Directors appreciate the information and will work towards achieving spending goals.

2024 Meeting Schedule:

Pursuant to the objective of holding quarterly in-person meetings, a meeting schedule was prepared, including dates and locations for all 2024 UCLA monthly meetings.

RSAC Report:

No report.

SSAC Report:

The MHLS Board approved the Memo of Understanding. It is expected to be sent out to all libraries in January.

CLCD Report:

The NYS Board of Regents has requested \$3M from the NYS budget to fund NOVELNY.

MHLS Staff Report:

Rebekkah Smith-Aldrich informed the Directors of Advocacy Day (February 7th). The link to register for the advocacy briefing is:

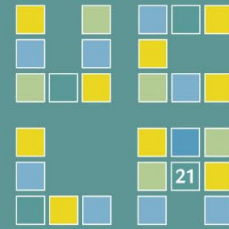
<https://midhudson.org/events/mhls-advocacy-day-briefing-2/>

Busses will be provided this year. Flat funding is an issue that NYLA will address to the Governor's office. Additional details to follow.

Katie Scott-Childress adjourned the meeting at 10:31 am.

Next UCLA Meeting Tuesday, January 16, 2024, at Plattekill Library

Respectfully submitted by Christina Jennerich (Secretary)



UCLA Agenda

Tuesday, December 19, 2023

10:00 a.m. via Zoom

Town of Esopus Library
Gardiner Library
Hurley Library
West Hurley Library
Kingston Library
Highland Public Library and
Stone Ridge Library
Marlboro Free Library
Sarah Hull Hallock Free Library
Elting Memorial Library
Olive Free Library
Plattekill Library
Rosendale Library
Saugerties Public Library
Phoenicia Library
Morton Memorial Library
Wallkill Public Library
Town of Ulster Public Library
Cragmoor Free Library
Ellenville Public Library and Museum
Woodstock Public Library

- I. Approval of Minutes from November 21, 2023 meeting
- II. County Legislature 2024 Budget
- III. Treasurer's Report
- IV. MHLS RSAC appointment
- V. Ad hoc committee for managing publicity and digital resource contractor(s).
- VI. Review of bylaws
- VII. 12/2023 Overdrive Spending Report
- VIII. 2024 Meeting schedule
- IX. RSAC Report
- X. SSAC Report
- XI. CLCD Report