

ULSTER COUNTY LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

April 11, 2012

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Heather Olson (Kingston), Lynne Ridgeway (Plattekill), Ken Goldberg (Saugerties), Ruth Quick (Ulster), Cynthia Wadnola (Ulster)

DIRECTORS PRESENT: John Giralico (Elting/New Paltz), Kelly L. Tomaseski (Esopus), Julie Dempsey (Highland), Margie Menard (Kingston), James Cosgrove (Marlboro), Lois Skelly (Milton), Amber Certain (Pine Hill), Sukrit Goswami (Saugerties), Faith Johnson (Ulster)

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Ulster County Library Association was called to order by James Cosgrove at 5:59pm at the Town of Ulster Library.

II. DISCUSSION

MOTION

Faith Johnson made a motion seconded by Margie Menard

TO ACCEPT THE AMENDED MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 12TH MEETING AS PREPARED BY KELLY TOMASESKI

AYES: 10 NOES: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

MOTION

Kelly Tomaseski made a motion seconded by Faith Johnson

TO ACCEPT THE TREASURER'S REPORT AS PREPARED BY MARGIE MENARD

AYES: 10 NOES: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

James Cosgrove reported that contracts have been signed with Universal Classroom and Tutor.com. Kara Lustiber is working on the technical end to make sure we are ready to go. Training on Tutor.com will be offered at the Kingston Library on Friday, April 20th at 10am. All library staff are encouraged to attend, but please let Margie know how many plan to attend. Kelly Tomaseski will send out an email to member libraries alerting them to the training session. Ken Goldberg asked if there is an evaluation system to determine which of the online products are most popular.

Jim reported that some county funds will be used to purchase e-book titles on Overdrive. Amy Raff is looking to see if there are two log-in levels—one to view and make suggestions, one to actually purchase.

The association is looking at providing training for the Infoportal products. Faith Johnson and Heather Olson are researching a WOMM plan. Thursday, May 17th MHLS is offering a workshop on OPAC/Novel Databases. Jim suggested a possible piggyback where ULCA will offer an additional hour of training on specific Infoportal tools. UCLA would provide lunch for those in attendance. Julie Johnson recommended circulating the scavenger hunt created by Merribeth Advocate as part of the Building your Base Online course. The Town of Ulster will also be creating youtube tutorial videos of patrons using the online tools. The piggyback idea was tabled.

Advocacy: Jim reported that Casandra Beam of the Ulster Literacy Association would like individual libraries to contact her about which materials they should purchase for their collections. It was agreed that all of these items should be catalogued with the same I-code. Kingston has already added these items, so Margie will let everyone know what I-code they used.

We need volunteers to attend the Legislative Programs, Education and Community Services Committee meetings (July 3, July 31, Sept 4, Oct 2, Oct 30, Nov 27 at UCCC). Jim and Margie have been attending, but we need new faces. The committee seems to appreciate short presentations. Adele Reiter, Deputy County Executive, Chief of Staff is a good contact person for the Ulster County Legislator.

Thank you to Mary Lou Carolan for organizing the Hudson Valley Renegades fundraiser. For \$15 patrons will get admission to the June 30th game, along with a free hat and admission to after game fireworks. If the minimum number of tickets is sold, \$3 of each ticket purchased will go toward the UCLA.

Public Relations: (Faith Johnson, James Cosgrove, Jody Ford, John Giralico, Ken Goldberg, Heather Olson, Tracy Priest) Faith will be scheduling a meeting.

Website: (Kara Lustiber, James Cosgrove, Sukrit Goswami) The website will be moving to Wordpress with a password protected area.

Annual Meeting: (Kelly Tomaseski, Faith Johnson, Julie Dempsey) The committee is awaiting a proposal from Fred's Place in Lake Katrine, New York. Speaker recommendations are now being accepted.

Grants: (Margie Menard, James Cosgrove, Tracy Priest) Margie will be scheduling a meeting.

Selection/Acquisition Committee: (James Cosgrove, Julie Dempsey, Faith Johnson, Margie Menard, Pam Stocking) This committee has not met recently.

III. NEW BUSINESS

Jim would like to reach out to Ulster County Workforce Development. The PR committee will survey member libraries to see what services are being offered for job finding.

Healthy Ulster County Week begins May 19th. Each member library should try to participate in some way.

IV. FUTURE MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Ulster County Library Association will be Wednesday, June 13th at 5:30pm at the Saugerties Library. The next Director's meeting will be Tuesday, May 8th at 10am at the Elting/New Paltz Library

V. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

Sukrit Goswami made a motion seconded by John Giralico

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED AT 7:13PM

AYES: 10

NOES: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly L. Tomaseski