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Proposed FY13 Executive Board Slate

Background. In accordance with the LibraryLinkNJ Bylaws, the Board Nominating Committee submits a slate for membership consideration and action at the spring Membership Meeting. This FY13 Executive Board Slate was developed Board Nominating Committee members Jayne Beline, James Keebler, and Robert Lackie. It was approved by the LibraryLinkNJ Executive Board at their meeting on March 22, 2012 for submission to the membership.

Our warm thanks go to those current Executive Board members whose terms expire June 30, 2012:

Jayne Beline	(public – Morris County)
Ellen Callanan	(public – Sussex County)
Janice Cooper (new-filled Carol Moroz unexpired term)	(school – Bergen County)
Roberta Bronson Fitzpatrick	(academic – Essex County)
Dee Venuto	(school – Burlington County)

Action. The proposed Executive Board Slate for FY13 is as follows:

Candice Brown, Clifton Public Library (public – Passaic County)
Three-year term: July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2015

While relatively new to New Jersey, having arrived in Clifton in 2009, I previously served as director of the New Britain Public Library in Connecticut for 3 ½ years, and for 15 years, managed outreach services and libraries in a large public library system in Colorado. In both Colorado and Connecticut I served on state library advisory boards and in Connecticut, I also served on the executive board of the statewide consortium. I currently serve on the Pals Plus Executive Board. I look forward to the opportunity to both share my experiences in different states and learn from my colleagues in New Jersey to ensure excellence in libraries of all types. I was born and raised in New York City and am very happy to be back on the East Coast with my family.

Janice Cooper, Northern Valley Regional High School at Old Tappan (school – Bergen County)
Three-year term: July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2015

I have been a librarian since 1981. I earned my MLS and a Certificate in Information Management at Columbia University's School of Library Science, and, while on Sabbatical, a Certificate in Educational Technology at Rutgers University's SCILS. I have worked as a school library media specialist in the Northern Valley Regional High School District for twenty-seven years, worked as a Saturday reference librarian at Fairleigh Dickinson University in Teaneck for two years, and served on my public library board in Dumont for several years when I was a resident.

I have embraced the mission and programs of New Jersey's Regional Library Cooperatives since their inception. Now, LibraryLinkNJ is essential to every library in our state. LLNJ's commitment to developing shared services, exploring group discounts, expanding its varied menu of continuing education options (in terms of both topics and delivery methods), and fostering innovations in patron services and collection development will keep all libraries vibrant and vital. I wish to serve on LLNJ's Executive Board to help keep this beacon bright.

Heather Craven, County College of Morris

(academic - Morris County)

Three-year term: July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2015

Heather Craven is a long-time supporter of the New Jersey Library Network, having been Program Coordinator at Highlands Regional Library Cooperative during the early 2000s. Her experience there gave her first-hand knowledge of the value and versatility of a multi-type library cooperative as well as an understanding of its operations. Craven has a strong background in community colleges, having worked at DeVry, Union County College, and County College of Morris, where she is currently Director of the Learning Resource Center. However, her experiences at HRLC and as a reference librarian at Nutley Public Library have given her a breadth of understanding of a variety of library types. Craven has an interest in all forms of education for students, for the public, and for members of our profession, and she teaches a full-day workshop in the annual Super Library Supervisors training series. Craven served on the New Jersey State Library's Blue Ribbon Panel for developing future visions and goals. She has a B.A. from Earlham College and an M.L.S. from Rutgers University.

Kimberly Paone, Matawan-Aberdeen Public Library

(public – Monmouth County)

Three-year term: July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2015

Kimberly Paone began her tenure as Director at the Matawan Aberdeen Public Library in September, 2010. She worked previously at the Elizabeth Public Library, supervising the branches and the Teen Services Department. Paone received both her Bachelor of Arts and Master of Library Science degrees from Rutgers University. She is a recipient of the New York Times Librarian of the Year award, has taught at both Kean University and Rutgers University, and has written many articles and contributed to several books about library services. One of Paone's areas of expertise is service to teens, however, now in an administrative role, she has found a real passion for making community connections, marketing, and serving other underserved populations. Once very active in teen services organizations and committees on a local, state, and national level, Paone is eager to join the members of the LibraryLinkNJ board in making positive decisions to benefit New Jersey libraries, their staff members, and, ultimately, library users.

Lynn Pascale, Collingswood Middle/High School

(school – Camden County)

Three-year term: July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2015

Lynn began her career as a youth services librarian with the Burlington County Library System. At BCLS, she developed a wide variety of programs and pioneered the Babies, Books and Beyond program for little ones and their caregivers. After entering K-12 education, Lynn taught computer technology classes in addition to library skills instruction integrated with the classroom curriculum. Pascale's contributions to the field of school librarianship include developing and implementing an Information Literacy curriculum taught within computer technology classes; building relationships with academic librarians to ease student transition from high school to college; writing and implementing policies and mandates for student information use and citation; providing ongoing professional development workshops for faculty; and representing her school district in collaborative teaching and learning consortia. Lynn has presented at forums such as the South Jersey Academy of Teaching and Learning at Rowan University and NJASL's annual conference, as well as serving as an NJASL mentor to new school librarians. She received her MLS from Drexel University. Pascale is honored to join LibraryLinkNJ for the opportunity to strengthen the collaborative work of NJ libraries of all types and to continue to promote our crucial role and mission in this age of information.