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Proposed FY18 Executive Board Slate

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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 FY18 Executive Board Slate was developed by Board Nominating Committee members Lynn Pascale, Chair, with Steve Chudnick and Karen Brodsky. It was approved by the LibraryLinkNJ Executive Board at their meeting on April 20, 2017 for submission to the membership.

Action. The proposed Executive Board Slate for FY18 is as follows:

Cathy Boss, Jersey Shore University Medical Center Library (Monmouth County), Special Library Representative, Three-year term: July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020

Cathy has been the Coordinator of Library Services at the Booker Health Sciences Library, Jersey Shore University Medical Center for the past 20 years. In that capacity, Cathy has coordinated library services for the health system and taught Internet searching and library orientation classes. Prior to that Cathy was Library Director at another Medical Center for 25 year where she taught similar classes as well. She has a Bachelor's degree in Library Science, a Master of Science degree in Library Science, is a Distinguished Member of Academy of Health Information Professionals, the credentialing body of the Medical Library Association and has Level II Specialization in Consumer Health Information from the Association. Cathy has presented 27 papers and posters, authored 4 book chapters, 5 journals articles, and been awarded over \$50,000 in grant monies during her career. She is a part-time lecturer in Rutgers University's School of Communication and Information in their Masters of Library Science program. On a personal note, she has been married for 45 years and has 3 daughters, the oldest of whom is a librarian at Jersey College. Much of her free time is spent with her 2 grandchildren Elizabeth and Aaron, and with church ministries.

Michelle McGreivey, Hoboken High School Library (Hudson County), Member at Large, Three-year term: July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020

I have been a School Library Media Specialist at Hoboken High School in Hoboken, NJ since 2002. Prior to that, I worked in a variety of public, academic and special libraries in New Jersey, South Carolina and Louisiana. I got my MLS in 1990 at SUNY Albany, and earned my SLMS certification through classes at Rutgers and St. Peter's College. I have been active in NJASL (New Jersey Association of School Librarians), managing the NJASL regular and board listservs for several years, as well as assisting in a variety of ways with planning the annual NJASL conference. I have served as secretary of NJASL since 2014. I was named the Hoboken High School Teacher of the Year in 2011-2012.

Having worked in so many types of libraries, I truly appreciate LibraryLinkNJ for serving all types of libraries. Libraries are, by their very nature, sharing and collaborative organizations, and LibraryLinkNJ is the embodiment of that, offering continuing education and group services to help all of our institutions. I am proud to be part of such an organization.

Jennifer Podolsky, East Brunswick Public Library, Member-at-Large (Middlesex County),
Three-year term: July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020

I have been the Director of East Brunswick Public Library since 2015. Prior to my tenure at East Brunswick I was the Project Specialist for Business and Technology Outreach at the New Jersey State Library. There I spearheaded many popular statewide initiatives including the Mobile Device Discovery Kit Program, Mental Health First Aid Training and NJGrowsBiz. With over ten years of experience, I have has served in management, research, and editorial positions in both publishing and libraries. I started my career as the Senior Research Editor at Reed Elsevier, where I supervised a staff of researchers and was responsible for the research library. I worked as a Youth Services Librarian for the Somerset County Library System and was a volunteer Research Librarian for the archives department of the Ellis Island Immigration Museum. My diverse library background also includes working as a Media Specialist in several New Jersey School districts including Millburn, Middletown, and Califon Public School where I was also the Technology Teacher for grades K-8.

I am an active member of NJLA and serve on the Public Policy Committee. I hold a Bachelor of Science degree in English Literature and Anthropology and a Master's Degree in Library and Information Science, both from Rutgers University.

Rick Vander Wende (Bergen County), Lay Representative, Three-year term: July 1, 2017
through June 30, 2020

It has been my honor to be a member of the Waldwick Public Library Board of Trustees, as either an elected official or volunteer appointee since 1990. During that time, I took a leadership role in two significant expansion projects. The first, a complete renovation of the library, included the construction of a new children's room. The second phase added new meeting space and a local history room. We work tirelessly to keep our library as the center of the community.

I am a passionate library advocate, and have focused on better communication, and increased cooperation between the library community and elected officials. I have been a guest speaker on this and other topics at the NJLA and NJLTA conferences and at several libraries. In 2005, I was presented with the NJLA Trustee Award. However, my proudest accomplishment is my daughter is now a librarian!

The library professionals that I have worked with previously on the Executive Board of Highlands Regional Library Cooperative and since 2013 at LibraryLinkNJ have given me great hope that the future of our libraries is bright. Despite the challenges, working together we can continue to do great things for the citizens of New Jersey.

Anne Wodnick, Gloucester County Library System (Gloucester County), Public Library
Representative, Three-year term: July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020

Since 2010, I've had the privilege of serving as the Director of the Gloucester County Library System (GCLS) with 14 member communities in Gloucester County served by a headquarters library in Mullica Hill, four branch libraries and one association library. I am a past president and current member of the LOGIN Library Consortium Board of Directors which includes 23 libraries from Gloucester, Cumberland and Salem counties. I have always been active in NJLA, having served on numerous committees and as Secretary and First Vice-President of the NJLA Executive Board. I am a current member of the NJLA Public Policy Committee. I was recently selected by the State Librarian to serve as a library consultant on the NJ State Library SWAT Team of Library Transformers.

I am proud to serve as a current member of the Board of Directors of LibraryLinkNJ and as a returning member of the LLNJ Delivery Task Force. I was a member of the Executive Board of the South Jersey Regional Library Cooperative, serving as Treasurer.

I whole-heartedly believe in the value the Cooperative brings to multi-type libraries across New Jersey including the ability to foster library innovation, and provide opportunities for continuing education, cooperative purchases, networking, and collaboration. I hope to continue as a member of the LLNJ Board of Directors and will continue to work to facilitate efficient and cost-effective state-wide resource sharing.