

Spring Annual Membership Meeting

June 17, 2020, 1 – 3 - Zoom

MINUTES

INTRODUCTION

Interim Executive Director Juliet Machie welcomed everyone to the Spring Membership Meeting.

CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME & REMARKS

The Executive Board President Chris Carbone (South Brunswick Public Library) called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m. and announced that the meeting was in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Chris introduced the Executive Board, thanked the outgoing Executive Board Members, Steve Chudnick, Karen Cohen, Michelle McGreivey and Elizabeth Sosnowska. Chris also welcomed Jennie Pu (Hudson Community College) to the Executive Board who was appointed to fill Steve Chudnick's term.

MINUTES

The Executive Board Secretary, Bonnie Lafazan, moved to approve the June 5, 2019 membership meeting minutes. Since there were no objections or corrections, the minutes were approved.

STATE OF THE COOPERATIVE

Juliet Machie reported that although there were many challenges, the cooperative remains strong. Delivery will resume as libraries reopen and funding is made available through the New Jersey State Library.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SEARCH UPDATE

Jennifer Podolsky reported that a consultant was hired and that there were 13 applicants for the position. After the committee screened the applicants, four were interviewed, and three were scheduled for a second interview.

NEW JERSEY STATE LIBRARY REPORT

State Librarian Mary Chute presented a written report.

PROPOSED First Quarter FY21 BUDGET

Steve Chudnick presented the first quarter FY21 Budget. Ricardo Pino moved to approve the budget. Jennifer Podolsky seconded the motion, and the motion was approved.

PROPOSED FY21 OPERATIONS PLAN

Irene Sterling presented an FY21 Operations Plan. Steve Chudnick moved to accept the plan. Ricardo Pino seconded the motion, which passed.

ELECTION OF FY21 BOARD MEMBERS

Steve Chudnick presented the ballot for new board members. slate of new board members. The following members were elected to the LLNJ Executive Board: Chris Carbone (South Brunswick Public Library), Will Porter (Sussex County Library), Jennifer Podolsky (Princeton Public Library), Kathy Dempsey (Lay Representative), Kimberly Flanagan-Bouchard (Daiichi Sankyo Scientific Library and Competitive Intelligence).

PROPOSED BYLAWS AMENDMENTS

Michelle McGreivey presented proposed amendments to the bylaws. Each amendment was individually deliberated on. The results are as follows:

Article III, Section 4 – Voting Rights
Postponed Indefinitely.

Article IV, Section 4 – Proxy Voting
Approved with contingent amendment.

Article IX, Section 7 – Proxy Voting
Approved with two amendments

1. *The designation of a proxy must be submitted At least three business days prior to the meeting*
2. *Removed last sentence from paragraph 4: "proxy shall not be designated" (removed).*

Article IV, Section 1 – Virtual Annual Meeting

Approved

Article IX, Section 1 – Meetings

Approved

Article IV, Section 2 – Notification for Petition Ballots

Approved

Article V, Section 1 B&C, Sections 5 & 7

Board Composition & Removal

Approved

Article VII – Committees

Approved

Articles X, XII, XIII & XIV Procedures & Alignment

- *Amended to remove Article X*
- Approved with the Amendment

PRESENTATION OF ELECTION RESULTS

Juliet Machie recapped the results of all the ballot questions.

ADJOURNMENT

Ricardo Pino (Wayne Public Library) moved to adjourn the meeting. Jean Marie Ryan (Roselle Public Library) seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 3:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Ralph Bingham (Gloucester County Library System)

Secretary, [LibraryLinkNJ](#) Executive Board