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Proposed FY16 Executive Board Slate

Approved at April 16, 2015 LibraryLinkNJ Executive Board Meeting

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 FY16 Executive Board Slate was developed by Board Nominating Committee members Lynn Pascale, Chair, with Michelle McGreivey, Kathy Schalk-Greene, and Joe Toth. It was approved by the LibraryLinkNJ Executive Board at their meeting on April 16, 2015 for submission to the membership.

Our warm thanks go to the five Executive Board members below. Each has served a first term that is ending June 30, 2015. Each has the energy and desire to run for a second term.

Action. The proposed Executive Board Slate for FY16 is as follows:

Candice Brown, Clifton Public Library Public–Passaic County
Second three-year term: July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2018

I have been at the Clifton Public Library since July, 2009. I earned my MLIS at the University of Western Ontario in London, Canada, and have worked in public libraries in three states. In Connecticut, I served as director of the New Britain Public Library from 2006-2009, and previously managed outreach services and libraries at the Arapahoe Library District in Colorado. In both Colorado and Connecticut I served on state library advisory boards and in Connecticut, served on the executive board of the statewide library consortium. I recently completed my terms on the Pals Plus Executive Board, and currently serve on the Public Policy Committee and Urban Libraries sections of NJLA. I have served one term on the LibraryLinkNJ Board as Vice President, and Chair of the Personnel Committee. I look forward to the opportunity to serve another term and work with the Board and Executive Director to continue the outstanding work of LibraryLinkNJ.

Janice Cooper, Northern Valley Regional HS at Old Tappan School – Bergen County
Second three-year term: July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2018

I have been a librarian since 1981. I earned my MLS and a Certificate in Information Management at Columbia University, and a Certificate in Education Technology at Rutgers University. I have worked as a library media specialist in the Northern Valley District for 30 years, as a Saturday reference librarian at Farleigh Dickinson University for two years, and served on my public library board in Dumont for several years. I currently serve on the BELS Consortium of School Libraries Executive Board.

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 continue serving on LLNJ's Executive Board to help keep this beacon bright.

Heather Craven, County College of Morris

Academic – Morris County

Second three-year term: July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2018

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 the 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 currently serves on the Executive Committee for VALE NJ. She has a B.A. from Earlham College and a M.L.S. from Rutgers University.

Kimberly Paone, Matawan-Aberdeen Public Library

Public—Monmouth County

Second three-year term: July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2018

Kimberly Paone began her tenure as Director of the Matawan Aberdeen Public Library in September 2010. She worked previously in 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 continue on 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

Second three-year term: July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2018

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 continue with 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.