



Minutes

NASSAU BOCES SCHOOL LIBRARY SERVICES

Due to the switch in Director and the Global Pandemic, Minutes were not available for either the March or May 2020 meetings.

- x Vote held to approve Global Pandemic & Other extenuating circumstances By Laws Amendment: All present voted yes. Amendment attached to minutes, will be added to the By Laws and posted on the SLS website.
- x All present members agree to stay on for 2021, Ellen Widawsky emailed to say that she would like to remain a member. Michelle Philips resigned at end of last year. Jodi Thompson resigned before first council meeting by email.
- x Volunteers were asked for Minutes taking for the 2021 meeting:
 - o 10/20/20- Kirsten Anderson
 - o 12/8/20- Karen Homer
 - o 3/16/21- Agi Rosen
 - o 5/13/21- Renee McGrath
- x Due to pandemic, new nominee process for SLS Advisory Council. Council would like to add at least 2 additional members to replace those that resigned. Possible new members will be discussed at or before 10/20 meeting. Suggestion to bring someone on that has STEM focus was discussed.
- x Annual Report is due October 30, 2020 this year and will be presented for approval at 10/20/20 meeting.
- x Dr. Bea Baaden mentioned that she has a student in need of placement and requested this be sent to the listserv.
- x Renee McGrath mentioned that she would like to explore how school and public librarians might have a joint session or meeting.

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NBSLS Advisory Council Meeting
12-8-20

Judy is thinking of moving the time for the next Council meeting.
October 20 minutes passed.

Still getting complaints about unresponsiveness of Overdrive. "Not taking care of their people, new customers included." Judy has experienced this herself in purchasing a collection. Bridget set up user groups for Overdrive so that librarians can help ~~each~~ other get support for their Overdrive accounts.

Reallocating funds which Judy had wanted to spend with Overdrive to purchase ~~News~~ Newsomatic for all elementary school libraries. Newsomatic won a Teacher's Choice Award from Learning Magazine for 2020, and was one of AASL's Best Apps for Teaching and Learning in 2013. They have been responsive, the product has a lot to offer and they are excited for this partnership with us. The agreement with Newsomatic will go until December 31, 2021 and there will be a "bench date" in January.

Teacher accounts will be given to the school librarian. If there is none, the school or district will appoint another teacher (maybe technology?) to utilize the account.

Three student accounts at different levels and training is included.

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2016-2021 Approved Plans of Action footer SLS:

<http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/libdev/pos/posurl.htm>

SLOYA and SAOYA call for nominations has been put out. Judy is thinking of sharing the nominations with u and discussing them. Nominations need to be done by February, and plaques should be ordered by mid March for engraving later.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 PM.



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SLS Advisory Council 3/16/21
2:30 pm

In - zoom attendance -Kristen Anderson, Judith Ashby, Bea Baaden, Valerie Conklin, Karen Homer, Joanna Koukoulas, Renee McGrath, Alex Norden, Amanda Packert, Agi Rosen, Susan Bridget Sitler, Carol Anne Weik,

Very few submissions for the award this year. One submission for school librarian is in question.

Administrator of the year East Williston Principal, Dr. Sean Feeney nominated by librarian, Jo Beth Derts.

For school librarian Amelie Weber, Karen Mylan We will send Judy a separate vote.

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