



ENY/ACRL Annual Business Meeting
Hamilton College
May 15, 2006

Agenda

- I. Welcome and call to order – Mary Anne Waltz, President
- II. Minutes of May 2005 business meeting (see inside)
- III. Committee Reports (see inside): Questions
- IV. New Business
 - A. Number of Conferences per year
- V. Reports/Announcements
 - A. Past President, Inga Barnello
 - B. Janice Newkirk Award
 - C. Other
- VI. Raffle for ALA conference registration
- VII. Adjournment

Annual ENY/ACRL Business Meeting Minutes

The College of St. Rose

Monday May 16, 2005

The annual ENY/ACRL business meeting took place during the spring conference held at The College of St. Rose. The title of the conference was, *Who Are Our Students?*

Raffle: This year's business meeting began with a raffle of various products donated by vendors. These donations included a Barnes & Noble "T Sam" portfolio, t-shirts, Nylink portfolios, books, and Hoover's reference books. Recipients of these products were Sandy Berger, Martha Smith, Glynnis House, Mary Mullen, Jane Kessler, Elaine Bergman, Megan Coder, Kay Bouman, Amy Schleigh, Cara Molyneaux, and Lorraine Melita. The traditional raffle for the ALA conference registration will be held at the conclusion of the business meeting.

I & II. Welcome and Minutes:

On behalf of Mary Anne Waltz, Past President Inga Barnello called the meeting to order at 1:10 PM. Inga asked the membership to review the minutes for any additions or amendments. No changes were forthcoming and Inga asked for a motion to approve the 2004 meeting minutes. It was so moved and seconded. The voting membership approved the minutes.

III. Committee Reports:

The Committee Reports are included in the program. Inga announced that the Membership Committee is in need of volunteers, particularly members from institutions in the Central and Capitol regions. Inga asked for any questions on the reports. Treasurer Sheldon Wein corrected the Spring Conference 2004 financial report to read "Skidmore" rather than "Utica/Rome." Acceptance of the treasurer's report as corrected was so moved and seconded. The voting membership accepted the corrected treasurer's report.

IV. New Business:

A. Mileage reimbursement for committee members for meetings.

Inga presented a motion from the Board of Directors that discussed whether or not committee members should be reimbursed for mileage while attending meetings. Inga opened the floor for discussion.

Sheldon Wein commented on the financial health of the Chapter and indicated that reimbursement mileage for would not adversely affect the Chapter's financial situation. Inga called for a vote from the membership. The motion passed with a vote of 36 in favor and 0 opposed.

V. Reports/Announcements:

A. Past President, Mike McLane

1. Mike McLane announced the results of the election: Deborah Bernnard was elected as Vice President/President Elect and Program Chair; Lorraine Melita was elected as Secretary; Patricia Hults was elected as Communications Chair. Gretchen Lieb agreed to be the Government Relations Chair.
2. Inga thanked Mike McLane for his assistance and encouragement to the Board. She also thanked the members of the Program Committee, Suzanne Preate, Tasha Cooper, and Mary Lindner and Steve Black from the College of St. Rose and Uma Sharma for their tireless efforts in organizing the Conference.
3. Inga announced that the conference registration checks of the following students would be mailed back to them or destroyed: Amanda Bauer, Amy Carpenter, Charlotte DeJesus, Michelle Freedman, Celia Rouse, and Richard Tiwary.
4. Inga announced that the Fall 2005 Conference will be held at Vassar on October 21. A location for the Spring 2006 Conference has yet to be determined. Inga also reminded members to pick up membership directories for their respective campuses and thanked Mike Cooper from Bosca, Nylink, Ebsco, Barnes & Noble, and Hoover's Business Information Services.

B. Other Announcements:

VI. Raffle of ALA Conference registration:

The winner of the 2005 ALA Conference registration was Tasha Cooper.

VII. The meeting was adjourned at 1:29 in order to review the Posters.

Lorraine Melita
Secretary
SUNY Cortland

President's Report 2006

Our organization is blessed with a large membership base; very professional, active members; a dedicated Board; and a substantial financial base. As I've learned from attending Chapters meetings and from the Chapters e-list, this is certainly not the norm for our colleagues in other states. It is because of all of you that we can point to our success as an organization and as a vehicle for professional development activities such as our conferences.

I must acknowledge the work of the other members of your Board of Directors during this past year. Due to a series of personal and family issues, I was not able to always give the Board all of the time and attention that I wanted. And so I extend my sincere appreciation to Inga Barnello, Deborah Bernard, Lorraine Melita, Sheldon Wein, Pat Hults, John Thomas and Gretchen Lieb for all of their efforts this year. Inga has been especially helpful, and her experience and guidance are a valuable resource for the organization.

The challenge for the incoming board and our members continues to be conference planning. As more and more of us are experiencing additional responsibilities at our respective institutions, it has become increasingly difficult to schedule and organize two major conferences each year. The reality of this situation for recent Program Committee members is that we can do one conference well, but are stretched by two. We welcome your input as we strive to deal with this issue.

Based on my recent experience, as a committee member and on the Board, I can attest to the benefits of active participation in the organization. More and more communication takes place by email, telephone, and teleconference. When travel is necessary, our treasury contributes to your travel expenses. Conference registration rates and the dues structure are maintained at a reasonable level due to our healthy financial status. And I'm sure you will find, as have others, that collaboration with other members is very satisfying.

So, please, volunteer for committees. Encourage your coworkers to become members. Run for office. Nominate a co-worker for Librarian of the Year. ENY-ACRL is easy to belong to and easy to participate in.

Thank you for the honor of allowing me to serve as your President and for your support these past two years.

Mary Anne Waltz
President, ENY/ACRL
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

**Past President's and Nominations & Elections Chair
Annual Report
2006**

The newly elected board members for 2006/2007 (and continuing through 2007/2008) are Francine Apollo, SUNY Cobleskill, as Vice President/Program Chair/President-Elect; Suzanne Preate, Syracuse University, as Membership Chair; and Liz Strickland, SUNY New Paltz, as Treasurer. Leading the board will be Deborah Bernnard, University of Albany, as President. Patricia Hults, from RPI, will continue on as Communications Chair. Lorraine Melita, SUNY Cortland, will continue her term as Secretary, as will Gretchen Lieb, Vassar College, as Chair of Government Relations.

Completing their terms of office are Membership Chair John Thomas, Jefferson Community College, and Treasurer Sheldon Wein, from the New York State Library. Both of these board members did outstanding work on behalf of the Chapter.

Barbara Petruzzelli assisted me with nominations. I thank her, and also Kathryn Johns-Masten, Siena College, and Jane Kessler, University of Albany for running for office.

I wish to thank past presidents Mary-Alice Lynch, from NYLINK, and Elaine Coppola, from Syracuse University, for their service on the committee for the ENY-ACRL Librarian of the Year Award. Susan Zappen from Skidmore College is the 2006 Librarian of the Year.

Barbara Via and Catherine Dwyer completed successful work on the Janice Graham Newkirk Award changing the award and the procedures to one that assists students in their pursuit of graduate study. These awards will be presented at this Spring business meeting.

I want to thank the current members of the board for their fine work on behalf of the Chapter. It has been a pleasure to serve the ENY-ACRL board for the past three years. Thank you to the membership for this wonderful opportunity.

Inga H. Barnello
Chair, Nominations & Elections Committee & Chapter Past President
Le Moyne College
May 2006

Treasurer's Report to Membership 2006

ENY/ACRL is in excellent financial condition.

Our **checking account** balance as of March 31, 2006 was \$ 18,897.05

ENY/ACRL gave \$135 in awards in 2005.

Spring Conference 2005, College of St. Rose, Albany, NY

64 paid registrations
\$300 in vendor support
Total Income: \$2,220.00
Total Expenses: \$4,066.80
Net loss: \$1,846.80

Fall Conference 2005, Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, NY

52 paid registrations
Total Income: \$1,820.00
Total Expenses: \$2,807.67
Net loss: \$ 987.67

Our financial status is very healthy and this will allow ENY/ACRL to continue to provide vibrant programs for its members. We continue to subsidize our conferences to keep the direct cost to membership as low as possible.

The **Janice Graham Newkirk Research Fund** balance as of March 31, 2006 \$ 25,056.16

There were no applications for a Newkirk Fund award in 2005.

Respectfully submitted
Sheldon Wein, Treasurer ENY/ACRL
The State Library
May 1, 2006

2005/06 Annual Report of the VP / Program Chair

Program Committee The members of this year's program committee have worked hard to produce two exceptional programs. Thanks to committee members:

<i>Francine M. Apollo</i>	<i>Morgan Gwenwald</i>	<i>Suzanne Preate</i>
<i>Megan Coder</i>	<i>Brenda Hazard</i>	<i>Elizabeth Putnam</i>
<i>Tasha Cooper</i>	<i>Kathryn Johns-Masten</i>	<i>Connie Roberts</i>
<i>John Cosgrove</i>	<i>Abby Kasowitz-Schee</i>	<i>Urmila Sharma</i>
<i>Jacquelyn Coughlin</i>	<i>Jane Kessler</i>	<i>Vivien E. Zazzau</i>
<i>Barbara Durniak</i>	<i>Gretchen Lieb</i>	<i>Kari Zhe-Heimerman</i>
<i>Barbara Grimes</i>		

Fall 2005 Conference at Vassar College

Our Fall 2005 conference, **Transitions: New Directions in Librarianship**, took place on a beautiful October day on the historic Vassar campus. Keynote speaker, Frank D'Andraia, Dean and Director of University Libraries, University at Albany, SUNY forecast some of the challenges academic libraries will face in the 21st century. We also heard from Cornell librarians, Barbara Berger Eden and Bill Kara, about the transformation of their traditional roles in preservation and technical services. Tom Mackey, Assistant Professor, Department of Information Studies, University at Albany, SUNY, spoke about using blogs as a teaching tool for information science students. We closed out the day with an engaging presentation by Steven Cohen, creator of the blog, Library Stuff, on using blogs and RSS feeds in our day to day work.

Attendees left the conference more than ready to embrace change during the new academic year.

Spring 2006 conference

Many thanks and congratulations to Connie Roberts as the local arrangements chair for this conference at Hamilton. As we close out the semester, this Spring's focus on data use for many library functions will provide welcome tips for managing services and collections.

Submitted by Deborah Bernard
Vice President/Program Chair
University at Albany, SUNY

ENY/ACRL Membership Committee Report 2006 Spring Conference

As of April 27, 2006 ENY/ACRL has 228 paid members, and of these, 105 are members of the National ACRL Division of ALA.

This year the Membership Committee contacted the institutional liaisons from many of our libraries and organizations with the goals of updating the membership database and securing new ENY/ACRL members. Overall, the effort was a success. We have eliminated numerous database entries for folks no longer working in member institutions and we gained several new members as well.

Last summer, in consultation with the Board and other Membership Committee members, I decided to mail the renewal forms to liaisons at institutions with an active liaison for distribution, rather than send them on an individual basis. All feedback was positive and the assistance from liaisons in relation to offering "gentle reminders" to their colleagues to renew was helpful. Thank you liaisons! If your institution does not have an ENY/ACRL liaison please consider serving!

The members of the Membership Committee include:

- Mary Lynn Bensen, SUNY Oneonta, South Central Region
- Amy Hillick, Orange County Community College, Southeastern Region
- Kathleen Horton, SUNY Canton, North Country
- Jane Kessler, University at Albany, Capital Region
- Mary Mullin, Herkimer County Community College, Central Region

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the members of the committee for all of their assistance and service during my tenure as chair. Their input and work was extremely valuable and appreciated. Thank you all.

I would also like to thank ENY/ACRL's membership for the opportunity to serve the organization over the last two years. It has been a rewarding experience.

Submitted by John Thomas
Membership Committee Chair
Jefferson Community College, April 27, 2006

Communications Chair Annual Report 2005/2006

In addition to maintaining and monitoring the membership listserv, there were two main areas of activity by the Communications Committee this year; the website and the newsletters. Thanks to hard work by Abigail Bordeaux, Electronic Resources Librarian at the Binghamton University Libraries, ENY/ACRL's website was redesigned. The new look is cleaner, loads faster, and is more accessible to people with disabilities.

The website is regularly updated with information such as news about the upcoming conference, award winners, etc. The Committee is looking into incorporating a blog in the future.

Three newsletters were produced and mounted on the website.

The Committee currently consists of Abigail Bordeaux, Binghamton University Libraries; Bern Mulligan, Binghamton University Libraries; and Patricia Hults, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

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