

**WESTCHESTER LIBRARY ASSOCIATION**  
**Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting**  
**September 11, 2014**  
**White Plains Public Library**

**Present:**

Mary Ayers, Elizabeth Cerino, Ann-Marie Cutul, Alexandra Gaete, Maxine Grandison, Martha Iwan, Bonnie Katz, Kathleen Mannino, Leah Massar, Donna Pesce, Maureen Petry, Srivalli Rao, Sara Rodgers, Sarah Rodriguez, Sharon Rothman, Rebecca Steere, and John Torres

**Excused:**

Z. M. Baird, Tim Baird, Gina Bell, Dan Glauber, Valerie Herman, Terry Kirchner, Joseph Mannozi, William Moorhead, and Carolyn Reznick

The meeting came to order at 10:10. Motion (Rothman/Ayers) to approve the Minutes from June 12, 2014, passed.

**President's Report:**

- Incoming President Mannino welcomed several new members to the Board. Elizabeth Cerino, White Plains High School librarian, and Sarah Rodriguez, Children's librarian at the Scarsdale Public Library, are the new Youth Services Co-Chairs. Rebecca Steere, librarian at Mount Vernon Public Library and Westchester Community College, has joined the College section, and William (Bill) Moorhead, who was excused, has joined the Reference section.
- Mannino further announced that the Vice President/President Elect position is still vacant. She urged Board members to give her suggestions for candidates.

**Treasurer's Report:**

- Rothman, who has taken over from Falcone, announced that she is waiting for Quicken to be installed on her computer in order to produce the monthly reports. She has opened a mailbox in White Plains, and WLA's new mailing address is as follows:  
**Westchester Library Association**  
**P.O. Box 8258**  
**White Plains, New York 10602**
- Mannino will ask Glauber to post the address on the WLA's homepage.

**Membership Report:**

- Rao announced that WLA currently has 197 members. Anyone who joined after the Annual Conference will be counted as a 2015 member.

**Web Administration Committee:**

- Glauber was excused. Mannino urged all Board members to examine their online listings for accuracy and report any corrections to Glauber. She will also ask Glauber to post the new WLA address on the website.
- Mannino also announced that Glauber will assist with IT at the Conference.
- Mannino will check to see if Tim Baird still does job postings on the website.

- Cutul will ask Glauber to send Wiki invitations to Petry, Steere, Moorhead, Cerino and Rodriguez.
- Pesce and Massar will investigate how WLA can reach more librarians; define their needs and ways that WLA can fill them.

**Youth Services Committee:**

- Cerino would like to involve more school librarians in WLA. Rodriguez will investigate how school librarians can get credit for attending workshops.

**Legislation Committee:**

- Pesce announced that WLS is sponsoring a Legislative breakfast this month.
- She also mentioned that pairing legislators with constituents from their own district at the Conference luncheon was very successful.

**Professional Development Committee:**

- Board members examined and discussed the rules of the Scholarship and Professional Development awards.

**Job descriptions and timelines:**

- Mannino asked all Board members to write up a detailed description of their duties with a time line, if applicable, by the November 13 meeting.

**Annual Conference:**

- Rodgers reported that she has investigated having a joint Conference with LARC (Library Association of Rockland County). Board members discussed pros and cons and concluded that there were too many particulars to decide upon to have a joint 2015 Conference. LARC consists of public librarians only and has a conference every other year, usually at the Crowne Plaza in Suffern. 2016 may be a better year for collaboration since LARC is not slated to have a conference that year.
- Board members decided upon May 1 as the date for the 2015 Annual Conference with May 8 as the alternate date.

The meeting was adjourned (Pesce/Rodgers) at 12:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Ann-Marie Cutul

**Upcoming Meetings:**

**October 9, 2014, at the Warner Public Library in Tarrytown**

**November 13, 2014, at the Mount Kiso Public Library**

**December 11, 2014, White Plains Public Library**

