

New York College Learning Skills Association
Annual Meeting
April 7, 2008
Poughkeepsie Grand Hotel, Poughkeepsie, NY

- I. **Call to order:** President Pat McCurdy called the meeting to order at 1:05 PM
- II. **Minutes:** The minutes for the last Annual Meeting were distributed to the membership. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Rick Grossman and seconded by Ted Szymanski.
- III. **Treasurer's Report:** Carl Wahlstrom distributed the Treasurer's report. The current treasury balance as of March 30th is \$36,041.81. This reflects the total before the payment of Conference bills. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Mariangela and seconded by Jane Newburger; the motion was carried.
- IV. **Membership Report:** Kevin McNeelege reported that NYCLSA currently has a total of 269 members. There is an increase in new members and in the renewal of past members; there are increases in the Hudson Valley and Downstate regions.
- V. **Regional Report:** Ellie Fosmire introduced each of the Regional Reps. At the Conference, Ellie had given each representative a mobile for the purpose of collecting emoticons. Each emoticon had the name of a member from the respective region who was attending the Conference. Gift certificates in the amount of \$25.00 from Dunkin Donuts will be awarded to those Representatives who accumulated the highest percentage of names of Conference attendees from their region.
Regional Reps were congratulated for their work.
An Audio conference in October is being considered.
- VI. **RTDE Update:** Mary Ellen Mulvey (not in attendance)
Pat reported the Journal will be discussed at the next Executive Board meeting regarding electronic publication, numbers of editions to be printed, etc.
- VII. **Noozleter Update:** Sharon Green requests that participants send her articles and summary session reports from the Symposium.
Sharon announced that after seven years as Noozleter editor, she will be stepping down. She reported the new Noozleter editor will be Dr. Nichole Bennett-Bealer. Sharon reminded the Board that the silent auction proceeds are dedicated to the Professional Development Scholarship. She extended thanks to those who contributed to the silent auction.

VIII. Election Results:

A motion to cast ballots for positions was made by Jane Newburger and seconded by Stephanie Olsen.

Positions for 2008-2009 officers were accepted as follows:

Past President – Pat McCurdy
President – Mariangela Chandler
President –Elect – Michelle De Freece
1st Vice President –Amy Crouse Powers
2nd Vice President - Ellie Fosmire
Treasurer – Carl Wahlstrom
Membership - Kevin McNeelege
Newsletter Editor – Dr. Nichole Bennett-Bealer
Secretary – Carol McPhillips

IX. Old Business: Pat McCurdy

Pat announced the completion of the Conference Planning Guide on how to plan and prepare for a Symposium. Members are invited and encouraged to meet with the planning committee to discuss the manual.

X. New Business: Mariangela Chandler

Announcements: May 2nd Westchester CC Assessment Roundtable.

Thank yous were extended to:

Steering Committee and Conference Sub Chair Committees

Don Frament

Pat McCurdy

Marj Moore

Treasurer/Registration information - Carl Wahlstrom

Communication Specialist - Kevin McKneelege

Conference Evaluations – Jeanine Rose

Space Facilitator and Special Interest Co-Chair -Jeanine Rose

Media - Esa Merson

Ticket preparation - Erika Hendra

Membership - Kevin McNeelege and Wick Smith

Presenter Evaluations and Hospitality - Stephanie Olsen

Hospitality - Michele DeFreece, Stephanie Olsen

Presiders- Carol McPhillips

Proposal Review – Jennifer Ferguson

Publisher Exhibitors- Eileen Howell

Silent Auction - Sharon Green

Site Coordinator - Stella Fox

Technology – Sally Weglinski

Organizers at Culinary Institute – J. Wrage and J. Sterling

Recognition was given to all “downstaters” who attended the Symposium.

Thanks were given to participating publishers.

Pat McCurdy

The Executive Board had provided a new Site Coordinator position to prepare for next and future symposium locations.

Marj Moore announced the contract was ready for NYCLSA 2009 to take place at the Radisson Hotel in Corning.

- XI. **Passing the Gavel:** Pat McCurdy turned the meeting over to the new President, Mariangela Chandler. Mariangela called for a motion to adjourn. A motion to adjourn was made by Carl, and seconded by NaReida Crandall. The meeting was adjourned at 1:37 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol McPhillips, Secretary