

CMLA Meeting

January 20, 2022

Held virtually on Zoom

In attendance: Lisa Cheever, Betsy Perry, Ryan Donovan, Erin Redihan, Kate Sawisch, Becky Plimpton, Jason Homer, Carol Witt, Cheryl Donahue, Rob Favini, Brittany McDougal Bialy, Bernadette Rivard

The meeting was called to order at 10:32 am by President Lisa Cheever.

Ryan Donovan made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 16, 2021 meeting, seconded by Erin Redihan. All in favor, motion passed unanimously.

Brittany McDougal made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 13, 2022 meeting, seconded by Becky Plimpton. All in favor, motion passed unanimously.

President's Report- Sharon Bernard sent an email to Michael Johnson of the MMA Website Weekly Review in response to the article Public Service Career Opportunities. Sharon suggested that Librarianship be part of any career discussions.

Treasurer's report

\$275. In membership renewals was received

\$1.03 was expended on credit card fees

\$5404.64 ending balance

By laws – no report

Communications and PR- no report

Legislative breakfast- Worcester will host the CMLA/Worcester virtual breakfast on Feb. 4. Looking for a way to pull in engaged participants. Possibly incorporate taped testimony from patrons, send them CMLA swag as a thank-you.

Membership- Bernadette will generate a new list of lapsed memberships and Ryan will draft an email to send out. Discussion about how/who to reach out to generate memberships; possibly update wording on website to specifically include all types of libraries and people.

Lisa makes a proposal to form a messaging subcommittee. Bernadette suggests trying to pull people back in first. Jason will join Communications and PR committee and help Bernadette and Ryan with

getting people to renew. Jason will set up a meeting with all the relevant parties (Becky, Brittany, Kate, Ryan, Bernadette)

Nominating- still looking for someone to fill Robin Shtulman's position on the board. Interested parties should contact Brittany.

Programming- discussed setting up childrens/teens roundtables for March. Possibly also a panel discussion on youth writing programs. Betsy will set up.

New Business-none

Old Business- none

Bernadette motioned to adjourn, seconded by Becky. All in favor, motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 11:12 am