

**South Central Regional Library Council  
Board of Trustees, Minutes  
Friday, 25 September 2009  
Southeast Steuben County Library, Corning**

Present	Excused	Staff
Stephen Crandall	Lis Chabot	Mary-Carol Lindbloom
Susan Bretscher	Mark Steigerwald	Kathleen Jackson
Karen Creenan	Bernard Tomasso	
Deborah Gagnon		
Nan Hyland		
David Karre		
John Meador		
Chuck O'Bryan		
Ann Voorhees		
Ristiina Wigg		
Marc Wildman		

**Presiding:** Steve Crandall called the meeting to order at 9:50 a.m.

**DOC #2009-32**      **Agenda:** Motion to add August 13, 2009 Minutes to Agenda. Approved by unanimous consent.

**DOC #2009-33**      **Minutes of May 22, 2009:** Motion to approve by Wigg, seconded by Hyland. Approved.

**DOC #2009-43**      **Minutes of August 13, 2009:** Motion to approve by Wildman, seconded by O'Bryan. Approved.

**President's Report:** President Crandall wondered how other Board members communicate the value of SCRLC, based on a conversation he had with a new library director. Crandall asked Board members about the value SCRLC offers their libraries/systems. Wildman: Networking, resources. Wigg: Special support, a place to discuss issues, good opportunities available. Crandall: Focus groups, types of participation that might be used toward tenure. Karre: Education and training programs are key. SCRLC can fill professional education void and provide positions & management learning opportunities. Distance learning can deliver much to members. Creenan: E & T piece is essential; many FLLS members come to SCRLC CE events even though FLLS provides training, O'Bryan: Felt most programs have been geared toward public and academic though this year there was a summer program directed to the schools. The school library systems purchase most of the databases for their members. Lindbloom mentioned CCDA awarded to all academic members (academics must belong to an NY 3Rs to receive), resource sharing support, and First Search/WilsonSelect and NewsBank. Those having public library borrowers' cards can access the Gale Literature Research Center. Wigg suggested composing a nicely organized, concise speech to use when asked about benefits of SCRLC membership.

**DOC #2009-34 - 37** **Treasurer's Report:** May 2009 Bill Sheet #11 & June 2009 Bill Sheet #12: Moved by Crandall, seconded by Bretscher, approved. July 2009 Bill Sheet #13: Moved Hyland, Bretscher seconded, Approved. August 2009 Bill Sheet#14: Moved by Wigg, Gagnon seconded, Approved. 2009-2010 budget was reduced by 10.88%; additional mid-year could happen.

**Nominating Committee Report:** Wigg's second term will expire in December; Wigg/STLS nominated Sherry Collins, a retired librarian and current STLS board member, to represent STLS. Steigerwald and Chabot will run for their first full terms. Motion to approve nominations – moved by Wildman, seconded by Bretscher, approved.

**DOC #2009-38** **Delivery Subsidy 2008-2009:** Lindbloom reported on the need to rethink how the Council awards the resource sharing subsidy. Some of the issues: The ILL form needs clarity (e.g., "in region" is subject to different meanings); examine ILL expenses involved and rethink how to tie in ILL to RS reimbursement; libraries joining IDS have increased volume (Binghamton University's lending has doubled); borrowing from non-IDS may be up as well, due to budget cuts; patron requests are up; SUNY libraries are extensions of each others' libraries; preservation issues need to be addressed. Resource Sharing committee will work on ILL form, will examine resource sharing subsidy, and make a recommendation. In the meantime, Crandall moved to approve the current subsidy as presented; seconded by Wildman. Approved.

**DOC #2009-39** **BARC/ILL Report:** Number of libraries using BARC has decline from 24 users in 2004/5 to 10 in 2008/9, though volume rose from 403 to 603 during that period. Some libraries who can use BARC do not; BARC can be promoted during field visits. Suggestions: SCRLC look at how money is apportioned across membership type and address that in next report card; use Survey Monkey to help evaluate BARC.

**NY Alliance of Library Systems Retreat Report:** Held in the Albany area in August, participants explored the value and benefits of systems, identifying the need for a brand and unified messages to present to decision makers and stakeholders that will resonate within each group. Questions explored include: Who needs to know our needs and what we value? How do we reach our regions? How do we reach out to the top three in Albany? How do we get NYC legislators on Board, as they can play a big role in legislation? Systems will meet again at NYLA.

**DOC #2009-42** **LSTA Plan of Service Planning Grant -** Entering 2 year period of planning for next Plan of Service; the next LSTA invitational grants may help. Karre asked about system plan of service and revisions: all facing reviews, input, and meetings from membership. Lindbloom indicated that a variety of methods will be used to collect input from the membership, including site visits, focus groups, face-to-face meetings, and online needs assessments.

**News from Around the State:** Currently, the NY 3Rs meet on monthly basis and were asked by the NYSL to review changes to state regulations governing NY 3Rs, some of which could affect SCRLC's by-laws. Most of the changes cover outdated, impertinent language. Affiliate members like cultural/charter schools and personal memberships may be better defined. Lindbloom will provide copies of the draft regulations to the Board.

**CCDA** – The NY 3R supports the NYSHEI initiative to increase amounts within the funding formula, which has remained flat lined since 1984.

**ARIA** (Academic Research Information Access): Passed in the Assembly and Senate. ARIA would create the structure; funds would emanate from the Dept. of Economic Development (i.e., a new funding stream—this would not vie with Library Aid). NYSL and NYLA hope that that NYSL can be involved in negotiated any databases in order to leverage statewide buying power. Lindbloom pointed out the need to offer more than CCDA to Academic Libraries and that ARIA could eventually lead to reduced costs and improved access to databases for all libraries.

**DOC #2009-40**

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** Lindbloom reviewed her report with the Board, highlighting the Annual Meeting on 10/30 at TCPL and a call for award nominations. She also mentioned the Academic Library Conference on 6/7-6/8 in Ithaca.

**Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 11:55AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nan Hyland  
Secretary