

School Library System Council

Minutes

August 31, 2016

Present: Karyn Bartnick, Sally Bub, Sr. Anna Derouchie, Charlie Kelly, Sarah Lydon, Deborah Lyon, Sarah Myers, Molly Ortiz-Brazak, Faith Rogers-Aubel, Sarah Ryan, Colleen Sadowski, Edith Silver, Lisa Tilley

1. Welcome: The meeting was called to order at 9:10 AM.

2. Approval of minutes from June 28, 2016: Approved.

3. Reports:

a. SLS Director:

- Staffing updates: Two new certified librarians have been hired. The other positions have been filled by certified teachers; all but one (who was selected by that principal) are working toward library certification. One position (#4 school) remains unfilled however Colleen Sadowski has interviewed a qualified candidate and is waiting for the district to complete the hire.
- Vacant council positions: Lauren McCormick resigned from RCSD leaving an open elementary council position. Also, Faith Rogers-Aubel has moved from an elementary position to a secondary position. MOTION made by Molly Ortiz-Brazak and seconded by Sarah Myers to accept Faith Rogers-Aubel's resignation from SLS council and hold a special election to fill two elementary positions.
- Election of officers. Sally Bub nominated Molly Ortiz-Brazak as chair, Karyn Bartnick as co-chair, Deborah Lyon as co-secretary, and Sarah Myers as co-secretary. MOTION made by Sally Bub and seconded by Charlie Kelly to accept the above nominations.

b. RRLC: none.

c. RPL: Sarah Lydon clarified that J and YA lost materials will still incur fines. Teen Central is going to be renovated soon. Backpacks are available for students in need at the Catholic Family Center from 9-2 to the first 10 people. The Section 8 waitlist through the Rochester Housing Authority will open again from Sept. 12-26 for the first time in 7 years. Applications will only be accepted online. Public libraries will provide extra support assisting patrons (often teens are filling these out for their families). We are encouraged to make sure our parent liaisons are aware of this, perhaps offering them use of a computer in our libraries to assist parents. Colleen reported that the school library system and ELA department are funding author visits at the Central library, date TBD, including Nikki Grimes, Jason Reynolds, and Brendan Kiely. Some of our students will be able to attend these visits but it has not yet been decided which students will go. A school-wide read is being considered for the Jason Reynolds and Brendan Kiely visit, which will be a presentation on community and interactions with the police.

d. Committees: Sarah Myers will send out a google sign-up the week after school starts.

Committees are aligned with the Plan of Service and are included in the Annual Report.

- ILL: No report. Sarah Ryan will chair.

- CCD: No report; funding has not yet been released from the state. Sr. Anna will chair.
- Technology: No report; technology is being driven more by our Technology Dept. Molly Ortiz-Brazak will chair.
- Cataloging: No report. We will reach out to Melissa Frost and/or Cathy Buyer-Davis to chair.
- Storytelling: The Storytelling Festival will be March 8th at St. John Fisher. Sarah Myers will continue as chair.
- Advocacy: No report. Colleen advocates at the state level but would like to see librarians present at School Board meetings with students and showcase projects. Charlie Kelly will chair.
- Continuing Education: Sally Bub will request continuing the Research Handbook for 10 hours PD. Charlie Kelly will chair.
- Special Clients: No report. Lisa Tilley will chair.
- ROC Read: Committee name is being changed to Literacy Initiatives. Karyn Bartnick will chair.

Good of the Order: none.

Future Meetings: We need at least 4 meetings per school year. Upcoming meetings are October 5th at 4PM, December 7th at 4PM, February 28th at 4PM, April 26th at 4PM, and June 26th at 9AM at Wilson Commencement.

Action Steps:

- Re-visit bylaws
- Mission
- Committee sign-ups

MOTION to adjourn by Sarah Myers, seconded by Charlie Kelly. Meeting adjourned at 10:30AM.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Molly Ortiz-Brazak.