Minutes

Attendees: Linda Llewellyn, Kay Budmen, Michele Barone, Lisa Czirr, Penny Meskos, Monica Norton, Pauline Shostack, Allison Comes, Doreen Bergman

I. Welcome

II. Approval of Minutes– Combined Council from Sept. 30, 2015 (available on the SLS website)
   • Motion by Kay Budmen, Second by Monica Norton

III. System Topics
   ❖ SLS Program Updates
      ❖ Karen Shull resigned with regret from the Council due to a family member’s illness. We will need to find a Non-Public representative to replace Karen.
      ❖ Annual Report has not yet been approved. It was sent in on time but was kicked back due to some questions that DLD requested some more clarification on how our CoSers support School Library Systems. We are working with DLD to understand their new interest in CoSers.

   ❖ Fall Conference De-Brief
      ❖ Greater Central New York School Library Systems Annual Conference 2015
         November 18, 2015 at the OnCenter
         ▪ Highest number of attendees ever, 295.
         ▪ Having Superintendents Meeting held at the OnCenter did not give the benefits that we were hoping for but it was certainly nice to have so many in attendance.
         ▪ Next year has been booked for October 26, 2016.
         ▪ Summer 2016 all of ISS will be hosting “Making Learning Happen @PBLNY 2016.” PBL meets the Maker Movement with the partnership of BIE.
   • Kay asked if the process for Online resources would stay the same. The process remains the same and we expect it to go very smoothly as we enter our 2nd full year using the Online Resources Management Database.
   • The CNY SLSA Organization is highly concerned with the lack of certified school librarian candidates so we have begun an initiative called “Recruiting Highly Qualified School Librarians.” There is a pamphlet and a website and we are making sure we are present at events that give us an opportunity to encourage enrollment in a School Librarian Program. We also are supporting partners in an IMLS Grant that is being submitted by Barbara Stripling through the iSchool at Syracuse University. The grant is being written as a pathway
to school librarian certification for already certified teachers. Monica mentioned that we should also reach out to the public librarians in the region as they may be interested in becoming certified school librarians.

IV. Five-year Member Plan-Due April 2016
- [Member Plan Template](#)- Software has opened. We would like ours submitted ahead of schedule to make sure there is time for changes if requested by Department of Library Development (DLD). We have put the POS (Plan of Service) into a Google Doc for your revisions and suggestions. Thank you to all that have participating in the vetting of the POS.
- [SLS Annual Report Results](#)
- [Five Year Member Plan Survey](#)
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  - We are purchasing an Organization Membership to NYLA so that all school librarians in the OCM BOCES region can become Associate Members for $75.00. Linda stated that her district might be interested in purchasing the memberships for their school librarians.

- Doreen will revise the Member plan based on comments and suggestions and send it out for more comment. We would like to approve at the next Council Meeting on March 9.

2015-16 Meeting Dates:
- March 9, 2016
- May 11, 2015 (combined meeting with Communication Coordinators, 12:30-3:00)