

St. Louis Regional Library Network
Annual Business Meeting
April 28, 2015
Fontbonne University

The meeting was called to order at 7:45pm following the presentation by Virginia Millington of StoryCorps. Acting president Heidi Vix thanked all for attending.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the last business meeting. The motion carried.

Heidi thanked the Council subcommittee, Amigos and Fontbonne staff for their efforts in hosting this event. A farewell gift of appreciate was given to departing Council member Michael Boddy in honor of his three years of service.

The election was held to confirm retention of two renewing Council members and to elect one new member. Voting members were asked to fill out their ballots.

Proposed revisions to the SLRLN bylaw had been emailed to the membership and were also available for review at the meeting. The proposed changes were in the auditing and council terms sections. Members were asked to indicate approval or disapproval of the proposed bylaws changes on their ballots.

The fiscal 2016 budget was presented to the membership and discussed. Heidi explained that over the years the fund balance has been built up to fulfill our mission of serving the membership for the long term. It has been drawn down in recent years through efforts to increase our membership and promote the value of the organization. SLRLN is running a deficit at the moment but the plan is to have a balanced budget next year. The current deficit can be partially be traced to not having full accounting of current expenses at this point in time.

Announcements:

The SLRLN Summer Workshop, “Disaster Planning for Your Library” will be Tuesday, June 23rd. Participants will leave with the resources and knowledge to develop their own disaster plan, train their own response teams, and select a disaster response company if needed. Registration will be available in mid-May. Keep an eye on the SLRLN website for more details to be announced.

Council member Chris Pryor shared information on the Special Libraries Association event, “Being Strategic: Thinking, Planning and Evaluating.” This is a free event for St. Louis SLA members with a \$10 registration fee for non-members. The event will be held at St. Louis University Law Library downtown. There is an optional boxed dinner for \$10. Registration deadline is May 8th. Visit <http://stlouis.sla.org> for more information.

The election results were reported and the new Council members were voted in and the bylaws changes were also approved. Tori Lyons and Christina Prucha are reelected as Council members and Christa Van Herreweghe is welcomed as a new Council member.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.