

**Minutes**  
**CASL Board Meeting**  
**Tuesday November 10, 2009**  
**Cheshire High School**

**Present:** Chris Barlow, David Bilmes, Kate Candido, Mary Lou Cassotto, Martha Djang, Jackie Galante, Maureen Hinkley, Irene Kwidzinski, Mary Ellen Minichiello, Katrina Palazzolo, Lucia Rafala, Janet Roche, Nancy Schwartz, Ellen Speirs, Shelly Stedman, Diane Strumello

**Absent:** Jennifer Cirino, Audrey Daigneault, Paula Daitzman, Elizabeth Dalton, Susan Eblen, Denise Kennedy, Jane Martellino, Susan McKenna, Sara Kelley-Mudie, Mary Shukie

1. Call to order by Lucia at 7:15
2. Approval of September Minutes moved by Janet, second by Nancy S.  
Approved unanimously.
3. Treasurer's Report: The total Outflow (July 1, 2009 - November 10, 2009) was \$15,856.87. The total Inflow (July 1, 2009 - November 10, 2009) was \$4,828.50. The balance as of November 10, 2009 was \$57,856.87. Have not received conference monies yet, but have paid bills from conference. Motion to accept Treasurer's report: Shelly moved, Jackie second. Approved unanimously.
4. Vice President's Report Discussion over professional development opportunities and for next year's conference. Working on contacting Conn. Authors. We will be working on creating one presentation for CLA in April...Martha Djang will be our representative. Conference was a success; everyone seemed pleased with it.  
Professional Development Committee: Mary Lou suggested that we focus more on Reading this time. Will also be trying to contact Reading teachers. Mary Lou to contact Conn. Assoc. of Publishers and Authors to talk about having CT authors at conference and maybe to present workshops. Jackie Galante is looking into Suzanne Collins, the author of *Dormia*, and others.
5. Old Business
6. SLJ Summit
7. New Business: Fairfield Univ. asked if they could receive an honorary membership for Dr. Langran and Maureen Hinkley. Irene moved, Jackie second that they receive an honorary membership for length of partnership. Approved unanimously.

A. Approve Calendar for 2009-2010

Will need someone to serve as Vendor Chair for next year's conference.

Advocacy: Have already received some new applications for 2010 awards. Deadline is Dec. 31. Letters being sent out to administrators state wide for Clark and Erickson awards.

Membership: Plan to send out through Anne W., reminder cards to members that membership expires June 30 (not October 31 as was listed on card received from conference).

775 participants in conference.

Martha Djang has volunteered to be liaison to CLA

Adjournment moved by Mary Lou, second by Irene. At 7:40