

Minutes
CASL Board Meeting
Wednesday January 6, 2010
Cheshire High School

Present: Chris Barlow, Kate Candido, Mary Lou Cassotto, Martha Djang, Jackie Galante, Irene Kwidzinski, Susan McKenna, Mary Ellen Minichiello, Sara Kelley-Mudie, Katrina Palazzolo, Lucia Rafala, Janet Roche, Carolyn Shea, Nancy Shwartz, Ellen Speirs

Absent: David Bilmes, Jennifer Cirino, Maureen Hinkley, Denise Kennedy, Jane Martellino, Mary Shukie, Shelly Stedman

1. Call to order by Lucia at 6:45
 2. Approval of minutes—Moved by Janet, second by Irene approved unanimously.
 3. Treasurer's Report income \$9,552.50 expenses \$25,158.56, balance \$53,046.87
 4. NESLA Report: Need consensus of Board members interested in meeting with other NESLA Boards June 5 but will be meeting with other presidents at ALA Affiliate assembly. Motion by Janet that CASL will pay for lodging for Board members who will be attending. Second by Ellen. Approved unanimously.
 5. Vice President's Report from Prof. Dev. Committee A. Professional Development with Fairfield University Planning Update
Also the date we have open for facilities at Fairfield University to host a Professional Development, Leadership workshop for SLMS's, with CEUs given by CASL is Saturday February 20th, 8:30-12 noon. Maureen Hinkley has been working with planning this workshop. Sara Kelly Johns will be conducting workshop on professional development. April 19 and 20 participation with CLA with their conference. Possible speaker is Tasha Squires who has written a book about the collaboration between public libraries and school libraries, Library Partnerships: Making Connections between School and Public Libraries. We are planning to have a bookstore this year and could have copies of her book available for sale. As it stands presently, we are looking to fill the keynote slot with either a big name author or the ALA President, Camilla Aire.
- B. Martha has 105 CASL (1 gig) jump drives remaining from the 2008 CASL conference. Janet moved that will give these to participants at workshops starting with Feb. 20. Second by Nancy S. approved unanimously.
- C. A deposit has been paid to the Crowne Plaza reserving it for the 2010 CASL Conference on November 7th and 8th. Focus will be on Transliteracy. Continuing to look for local authors. Possible keynote would be Buffy Hamilton (The Unquiet Librarian). Issue with software program use to manage CEU database no longer being supported. Do want to continue with this software or explore new software. Martha will look into cost presently spending for this software for technical support. Consensus was that Board approved that should investigate new software.
- Discussions with different authors, elementary and YA for conference in fall. Working on keynote, working on panel with keynote on social networking in teaching.

6. Advocacy Committee Update: All Award nominations have been received (except for the Video Award whose deadline has been extended) and the various winners have begun to have been chosen. We will complete the choices by the March meeting.

7. Membership Committee Update

Spring Fling will be coming up for Spring Awards. Ellen will contact Baci Grill as to possible dates: April 28 or 29.

Will be looking into ways to attract more members, through Independent School Association, Alternate Route to Certification program. Finding out how present members heard about CASL and became members.

Will be updating CASL Brochure as to who we are and what we do to hand out.

Anne will send out reminder to members in June that membership expires at end of June for renewal.

8. Old Business

Nomination for Board members. David needs to know if any Board members do not want to continue in their roles. Need new VP Intern for next year.

One way of gaining new Board members was by personal invitation. Award winners are encouraged to join. Grant winner is expected to join.

A. Sign up for refreshments. We need at least 3 people per meeting. You can apply to be reimbursed for part of the amount of money you spend on refreshments. (\$25)

January 6 – Martha, Jackie, Irene

February 3

March 3 - Kate

April 7

May 5--Janet Roche

June

6. New Business:

Adjournment Motion to adjourn Irene moved, Janet second, at 7:50