

APPROVED

Catamount Library Network (CLN):

Board of Directors: Lynne Fonteneau-McCann, President (Bennington), Mary Kasamatsu, Vice-President (Waterbury), Jill Tofferi, Treasurer (Ludlow/Fletcher), Holly Hall, Secretary (Jericho/DRawson)

Attendees: Wendy Sharkey (Bennington), Starr LaTronica (Brooks), Gizelle Guyette (Morristown), Amy Howlett (Springfield), Greg Tisher (Royalton), Tony Pikramenos (Reading), Catherine Goldsmith (Starksboro), Cathi Wilkens (Guilford), Janet Clapp (Rutland on behalf of Deb Higgins), Rene Cressy (West Rutland)

**Denotes by GoTo meeting (Due to technical difficulties GoTo meeting was unavailable)*

Not Present: Deb Higgins (Rutland), Cheryl LaRue (Bakersfield), Sarah Snow (Ainsworth)

CLN Annual Meeting October 27, 2016 @Rutland Free Library, Rutland Vermont

Called to Order by President Lynne: 11:31 am

Additions to the agenda: None

Public comment(s): Jill T commented it was nice not to have to take minutes this year.

Minutes:

Greg pointed out that we have been spelling his last name wrong. Holly will correct the spelling.

Motion made by Amy and seconded by Holly to accept the Catamount Library Network Minutes of October 22, 2015 Annual Meeting as amended. Motion passed unanimous.

Treasurer's Report: Jill T.

- Jill posted on Basecamp a year-end report. (Copy of the report is in the secretary's board book)
- Still waiting for the Ebsco bill but everything is right on track. Catamount membership bills for the next year will go out the end of December.

Nominating committee report: Lynne

- Mary Kasamatsu's term is expiring. The members of the board of directors, acting as the committee, recommends Mary for another term of three years.

Election of Directors

Motion made by Janet and seconded by Catherine to elect Mary Kasamatsu to the Catamount board of directors for a term of three years. Motion passed unanimous.

Ratify Membership agreement 2017

Discussion was held about w) which states *regular attendance by a library representative is required for board and committee meetings*. The board heard for several small libraries about the burden of being required to attend so many meetings. The board explained that member input is very important at meetings and that the committees do a lot of work and it needs to be equally shared. The board is also hoping that Board meetings will only be held quarterly in the next year and that committee meetings are already scaled back. Goto Meetings are an option and we will try to record them so that they will be available for members to keep informed about meetings. Minutes are posted on Basecamp as well. The board agreed to revisit this item next year before the Catamount annual meeting to see if changes to the line need to be made. No changes at this time were made to

the agreement language. *Motion made by Greg and seconded by Janet to ratify the membership agreement of 2017 as presented. Motion passed unanimous.*

Presentation of the 2017 proposed budget: Lynne

- Lynne presented the budget and answered questions. It was pointed out as more libraries join Catamount the cost will be going down. Exceptions at this time are the smaller libraries that the other libraries have been subsidizing. A plan is in place to gradually raise their cost to the minimum amount charged by ByWater.

Set membership fees for 2017:

- A chart of costs was posted on Basecamp. (Copy of the report is in the secretary's board book). Discussion was held about how each libraries cost was calculated. Lynne explained the formula used.

Adoption of the 2017 Budget

- *Motion made by Gizelle and seconded by Amy to adopt the Proposed 2017 Budget. Motion passed unanimous.*

Conflict of Interest annual statement

- Members of the Board of Directors signed the agreement. The agreements are in the secretary's board book.

Other Business:

- None

Next Meeting:

- **Next Annual meeting is the Catamount Library Network, Inc. Tuesday October 24th 2017.** (Time and place to be decided at a later board meeting)

Motion to adjourn Janet and seconded by Catherine. Unanimous

Adjourned 12:22 PM