



School Library System Council

December 12, 2024

9:00 – 11:00 am

Zoom:

<https://zoom.us/j/93852438543?pwd=2vbxwAgrQ9pZXN1LJahmWNBSa2g4MT.1>

Attendance: Annie Gersztoff, Debbie Armbruster, Cliff Bird, Karin Lackmann, Kristy Eldeen, Mary Fellows, Lisa Marinucci-Berner, Hilary Lafountain, Giovannine Matheron, Kaela Wallman

Not in attendance: Adam Biggs, Kathy Gundrum

What	Who	Time
Welcome <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introductions - name, school/org, role• New member: Hilary LaFountain, Van Antwerp MS, Niskayuna CSD• Approval of Minutes from October<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Motion to approve - Kaela	Kristy Eldeen	5:00
Council Business <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Legislative Update<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Advocacy Day: February 5, 2025○ Pre-Advocacy Day: February 4, 2025<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Debbie looking to bring students○ NYLA's Legislative Priorities<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ \$11.33 LMA (currently \$6.25 - flat since 2007)■ \$3.1 million for NOVELny○ New Jersey - Freedom to Read Act signed into law! <i>The New Jersey Freedom to Read Act provides a comprehensive, fair, orderly, and constitutional framework to ensure the Freedom to Read in schools and libraries. It defends against unconstitutional censorship, reinforces the professionalism of librarians, addresses harassment and threats against the profession, and applies long-standing legal protections under New Jersey's Law Against Discrimination to protect library institutions and professionals from harassment and defamation.</i>• Current council vacancy: Secondary Administrator	Annie	15:00

SLS Business	Annie	30:00
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General Updates - Staffing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Interviewing for “Gina’s” position <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Position needed to be reclassified ■ Two very strong candidates • ILL Guidelines Review <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Current Guidelines ○ Motion • Courier Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Current schedule • Automation Review - updates • SLS Regional Purchases Review <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Do these resources meet our needs? ○ Survey results from 23-24 • Professional Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Book study #1 done - successful ○ Science of Reading Microcredential Cohort starting 		
General Announcements and Updates	All	10:00
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please bring up concerns to crowdsource, share any informational items or announcements, suggest topics for future meetings 		

Upcoming Meeting Dates:

Tuesday, February 27, 2025 - 9:00 - 11:00 (in person at CRB)

*Tuesday, May 20, 2025 - 9:00 - 11:30 (virtual)