

## **Minutes for October 5, 2016 NJLA History & Preservation Section Meeting held at Monmouth County Library, Manalapan, NJ.**

The meeting was called to order at 12:06 PM. In attendance were Section officers Carolyn Dorsey, Tom Anker, Ken Kaufman, and Deb Schiff. Also in attendance were Bruce Bardarik, Bob Egan, Randall Gabrielan, Colleen Goode, Sarah Hull, Mary Hussey, Nancy Madacsi, Jessica Myers, Fred Pachman, Elsalyn Palmisano, and Gary Saretzky.

Introductions were made. Everyone also provided a brief update on happenings at their institutions.

### **Minutes**

Minutes prepared by Tom from July 18, 2016 were reviewed. Ken motioned and Jessica seconded that the minutes be accepted. The motion passed unanimously.

### **President's Report**

Carolyn listed the Nominations Committee membership of Carolyn, Deb, Gary, Ken, and Tom. They will be looking to fill the Vice President and Secretary positions for the 2017/2018 term.

She described three programs scheduled over the next few months (please see new business for more details).

### **Vice President's Report**

Tom presented six proposal ideas to NJLA Conference Committee, as follows: "Bringing History Alive: History Programming at Public Libraries", "Protecting Our Treasures: New Jersey Cultural Alliance for Response (NJCAR)", "Look What I Found in the Attic", "Digitizing New Jersey's Past: New Jersey Digital Newspaper Project", a map program, and the author's panel.

Jessica has one author aboard for the author's panel and is seeking more. Issues were raised at the difficulty of attracting authors without paying for travel and overnight board costs.

Fred hoped that this year we would not have conflicts in our program schedule.

### **Committee Reports**

Gary has been making progress with the Archives Committee in gathering Section archival materials. Among them, he has some pertaining to the merger of Preservation Section with the History and Bibliography Section. Bob brought one cubic foot of papers, comprising of minutes, newsletters, and annual reports that had been passed on to him when he was Section president. Elsalyn is aware of more papers, many of which exist as part of "The Elsalyn Palmisano Preservation Papers", housed at the Monmouth County Archives. Gary's long range goal is to produce a finding aid.

Carolyn spoke for Paul regarding the Professional Development/Continuing Education Committee. The new committee is exploring how to structure its work flow.

Sarah updated on the latest with "The Chronicle". Submissions for the January through March edition will be due at the end of December. She thanked the contributors of the current edition.

Ken thanked Sarah and Tom for handling the minutes in his absence during the last two meetings.

There are vacancies for the Constitution and By-laws Committee. The addition of the Continuing Education Committee needs to be updated in the by-laws language.

Deb announced the Awards Committee membership of Colleen, Deb, Fred, and John Beekman. She submitted the nomination of 2016 Susan Swartzburg recipient, Bob Stewart, to receive the ALA Association for Library Collections & Technical Services (ALCTS) Paul Banks and Carolyn Harris Preservation Award. She called for nominations for the 2017 Susan Swartzburg award. The deadline is February 1, 2017.

### **Old Business**

Carolyn announced two Section organized programs that will meet the NJLA requirement of creating at least one fee-based program (please see new business for program details).

### **New Business**

Carolyn described three programs scheduled by the Section over the next few months. They are "Digitization Basics for Newspapers and Photographs", a free webinar on 10/26/2016, "Save Your Books", a book repair and preservation seminar, on 11/9/2016 at Plainfield Public Library, and "Archival Basics for Librarians", a workshop for new archivists and special collections librarians, at Rutgers Alexander Library on 1/11/2017. One can register for the webinar at <http://njla.adobeconnect.com/hp/> and for the other classes by visiting the Section webpage at NJLA Central. For further information, e-mail Carolyn at [carolyn.dorsey@mainlib.org](mailto:carolyn.dorsey@mainlib.org).

Carolyn and Jessica will be operating the Section table at Monmouth County Library Archives Day. They will have a tri-fold display and brochures, as well as flyers on sponsored programs. Gary and Elsalyn gave ideas for outlets to promote the Section participation here.

### **Adjournment**

Without objections, the meeting was adjourned 12:51 PM.

The meeting was preceded by a lecture from Monmouth County Archives Record Analyst, George Joynson, on early aviation events and airports in Monmouth County and followed by a panel discussion from Monmouth County Historian, Randall Gabrielan, and Rutgers University Project Historian, Dr. David Fowler, on the history of transportation in New Jersey.

Submitted by Ken Kaufman.