

# **METROPOLITAN NEW YORK LIBRARY COUNCIL**

## **Board of Trustees Meeting**

**Monday, April 30, 2018**

**3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

### **Minutes**

**Present:** Stephen Bury, Greta Byrum (phone), Valeda Dent (phone), LaRuth Gray, Josh Greenberg, Milan Hughston, Norman Jacknis, Leah Meisterlin, Jim Neal (phone), Christopher Platt, Patricia Skarulis (video)

**Not Present:** Nick Buron, Shannon Mattern, Bonnie Tijerina

**Staff:** Nate Hill, Shelly Mohammed

Norman Jacknis brought the meeting to order at approximately 3:01 p.m.

Jacknis motioned to accept the minutes from the December 11, 2017 and February 28, 2018 board meetings. Seconded by Christopher Platt, the board voted unanimously to accept the minutes.

#### **President's Update:**

All virtual votes are to be reaffirmed in person. Jacknis motioned to reaffirm the following votes:

- Nominate Greta Byrum, Director of the New School's Digital Equity Laboratory to the board, subject to the annual vote of the membership
- Nominate Valeda Dent, Dean, St. John's University Libraries to the board, subject to the annual vote of the membership
- Vote in Shannon Mattern to replace Lisa Rosenblum as Vice President of the board, subject to the annual vote of the membership

Seconded by Stephen Bury, the board voted unanimously to reaffirm all votes.

Jacknis suggested the board schedule a separate meeting, after the next board meeting, to begin a discussion re board strategic planning.

#### **Treasurer's Finance Report:**

Greenberg highlighted the Statement of Financial Position reflects movement of money from stocks into CD's, approved at the previous board meeting. Greenberg noted The Income and Expense Statement reflects decrease in individual membership. Nate Hill explains individual membership is in the process of being reworked: Value proposition, relocation, services, and due collection are all a part of an updated individual membership model. Strategic priority to grow this area.

Greenberg noted that digital services setup and hosting is going well, and METRO is under budget on expenses.

#### **Executive Director's Report:**

- Library Trustees Association annual meeting update. [Slides are here.](#)
- Mark your calendars and register for our next symposium, June 1: [\(Mis\)informed: Propaganda, Disinformation, Misinformation, and Our Culture.](#)
- Working with the Intrepid Museum on their proposal to NARA. The Intrepid Museum has just joined METRO.

- The Brown Institute for Media Innovation event at Stanford: [Public Record Under Threat: News and the Archive in the Age of Digital Distribution](#) update.
- Rhizome's [IMLS funded web archiving conference](#) update.
- XFR equipment usage (media migration in our studio):
  - Queens Public Library (Queens Memory)
  - Magnum Foundation
  - Apollo Theater
  - Alliance for Downtown New York
  - Grad students from the Columbia Oral History program and Pratt info science
- Slides from [Molly's recent presentation](#) about our A/V work with XFR Collective.
- Podcast Booth
  - Library Bytegeist season 2 starts Thursday. [Subscribe!](#)
  - Users: NYU students, Allison Behringer of KCRW podcast called, [Bodies](#).
- Hiring a Project Coordinator for [Preserve This Podcast](#), our Mellon project. [Project Curriculum](#), which is now in progress.
- [MODA](#) updates.
- Delegation from Beijing Capital Library will be visiting METRO in May.

ESDN / DPLA update and discussion  
METRO Repository Services Overview

Board consecutive term limits discussion

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

**2018 Board Meeting Dates:**

Monday, September 17, 2018 (virtual)  
Monday, November 12, 2018  
Monday, December 17, 2018 (virtual)

*All meetings are 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. at METRO.*