

School Library System
Western Suffolk BOCES
Council Meeting
Monday, January 23, 2017
9:00 a.m. -Executive Conference Room 1

Minutes Recorder: Linda Lennon

Present: Jill Adler, Elizabeth Aitken, Carolyn Burton, Dr. Matthew Covey, Dawn Koziarz, Linda Lennon, Min Liu, Dr. Catherine Masrour, Mary O'Hara, Sara Kardasz

Absent: Dr. Bea Baaden, Carol Byrne, Jane Herbst, Dr. Vincent Livoti

Council Meeting convened at 9:08 a.m.

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Discussion regarding having more than one award followed. Council discussed leaving the honor to a single person, stressing that often a candidate will be nominated the following year. A review of the applications for nominees Donna DeLuca, Smithtown School District, and Jennifer Freedman from Lindenhurst Middle School followed. Linda moved to give Jennifer Freedman the award; a vote was taken.

Sara discussed the Science Journal Club at the Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Library & Archives.

Certificates of Participation will be given to all students on February 7, 2017.

Surveys will be created so we can get student reflection and feedback on the program.

Two students will be invited to the May Conference to speak about their experience.

Matt spoke about tweaking the program to be more student friendly.

Professional Circles

November 29, 2016 “Booktalking Tips and Tricks” facilitated by AnnMarie Jenkins, Northport SD, was attended by a number of English teachers as well as librarians.

December 19 and January 19 cancelled due to lack of interest.

February 14 “Let’s Center on Centers: Creating Lifelong Inquirers with Learning Centers” will be facilitated by Erica Fraiberg, Cold Spring Harbor SD.

March 16 “Google Tips and Tricks for School Librarians”, will be facilitated by Tina Mottl, Lindenhurst SD.

Sara attended annual WSBOCES Board Dinner on December 1 where she showcased the slideshow from last May’s “Celebrating Our Successes” program. Sara reported the difficulty in showing off the library system without a tangible display.

Liaison Meeting will be held March 9, 2017 at Smithtown High School West hosted by Dr. Cathy Masrour where she will show her hybrid

display of books, as well as their Maker Space area. Breakout.edu will be one of the workshops. Soundzabound rep will also be there.

Library Advocacy Day is March 1, 2017. LILRC will have a bus travelling to Albany for those interested. Min Liu reported funding for LILRC is in jeopardy with Cuomo's cutback of \$40,000. Support for libraries is vital. Min reported LILRC newsletter is now online since January 1.

Follett User Group, Commack MS, March 27 will include pedagogy