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# **New York Library Association**

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# **NYLA Annual Membership Meeting**

Thursday, November 3, 2022 8:00 AM – 9:00 AM Saratoga Hilton/ Saratoga Ballroom

The meeting was called to order at 8:18 am by President Beth Merkle.

President Beth Merkle presided. Executive Director AnnaLee Dragon served as secretary of the meeting.

A quorum was established, and the following was adopted.

#### 1. Adoption of the Rules

a. Laura Osterhout moved to adopt the Rules of Order for the meeting. Rebecca Budinger-Mulhearn seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

### 2. Approval of the Agenda

a. President Beth Merkle read the agenda aloud. Jean Currie made the motion to approve the agenda. Jim Telhia seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

#### 3. Approval of 2021 Membership Meeting Minutes

a. Approved by NYLA Council, December 16, 2021

## 4. Introduction of Council Members and Staff

## 5. President's Report

a. President Beth Merkle provided highlights from NYLA's work this year in finance, communications, continuing education, conference, and advocacy, and concluded by thanking all for their hard work.

#### 6. Treasurer's Report

a. Treasurer Kelly Harris provided an overview of 2021-2022 financials and reported on the continuing work of the Balanced Budget Task Force and upcoming audit.

#### 7. Report on 2022 NYLA Elections

a. President Beth Merkle reported on the results of the 2022 elections:

Lisa Kropp – President-Elect (2022-2023)/President (2023-2024)

Keturah Cappadonia - NYLA/ALA Chapter Councilor (2022-2025)

Caitlin Kenney – Councilor-at-Large for Academic/Special Libraries (2022-2025)

Ginger Tebo – Councilor-at-Large for School Libraries (2022-2025)

Rakisha Kearns-White - Councilor-at-Large for Public Libraries (2022-2023)

#### 8. New Business

- a. Recommended Revisions to Bylaws
  - i. President Beth Merkle noted that the proposed changes to the NYLA bylaws are available on the NYLA website for review by membership and that due to timing issues, there would not be a vote at the Annual Meeting to comply with notice requirements in the bylaws. Instead, there will be a 30-day review period, and the vote by membership will be held electronically from

Thursday, December 1 – Thursday, December 8, 2022. Any questions or concerns with the changes can be sent to NYLA Executive Director AnnaLee Dragon.

# b. Member Comments for the Good of the Order

No comments were made.

A motion to adjourn the 2022 NYLA Annual Membership meeting was made by Jill Hurst-Wahl and seconded by Amanda Perrine. The meeting adjourned at 8:33am by unanimous consent.

