

NBSLS Advisory Council Meeting

March 14, 2025

3:04 Welcome

- **Recorder of minutes- Kim DeRosa and Rashell Clarke**
- **Agenda discussion: 3:12 pm**
- **Motion to approve January 13, 2025, minutes approved. 3:13 pm**
- **SLOY and AOY Awards. Both winners approved. SLOY – Lisa Geary and AOY – Maya Lerner. Discussion about the process of seeking Committee members and how to make the existing nomination process easier and to look into changing the forms to encourage more SLOY and AOY applications. Revisit the process – possibly over a council meeting breakfast. 3 :14 pm**
- **Anticipated Services for Next Year. No more News-O-Matic – due to cost and low usage. The council suggested sharing ideas of what is useful in form of a survey to all librarians. They mentioned: Cyber Civic as a possible vendor for 5-8th and beyond – free trial being set up for 1 week and being sent to everyone including Council – asking for feedback. MS students do not attend library with teachers AT ALL. Open access is common for those buildings. 7-8th graders are required to have 1 to 2 hours of library class a week. Suggested to send a specific email to K-8 librarians seeking choice recommendations or simply pick choices of given ideas for them to choose from. 3:18 pm**
- **Council. Carole Anne Weik contacted two new candidates in addition to two librarians interested at today's Liaison Meeting. Continuing to reach out to two possible academic librarians. 3:26 pm.**
- **Annual Report update. No news to report, still haven't heard back. Emailed but no response back from the State - "It's in the queue". Per by-law, 5 council meetings each year. The council's breakfast could be 5th meeting. Will look into scheduling for end of school year in June. 3:28 pm.**
- **Thoughts/Concerns: Carole Anne Weik is retiring at the end of this year. She is fine to stay on the council. Discussion on notifying**

the award winners and ordering the plaques to present to the winners at the May Liaison Meeting. Thank you to Renee McGrath for the two librarians who attended today's Liaison Meeting – they were great! 3:32 pm

- Members that attended: Amber Fink, Joanne Spencer, Carole Anne Weik, Dr. Xavier Rodriguez, Renee McGrath, Amanda Packert, Agi Rosen, Karen Homer.
- *The next Advisory Council meeting is May 12, 2025*

Meeting concluded: 3:37 pm