CMLA Meeting
January 13, 2021
Held via Zoom

In attendance: Brittany McDougal, Betsy Perry, Becky Plimpton, Bernadette Rivard, Cheryl Hansen, Lisa Cheever, Deb Hinkle, Nancy Gilbert, Rob Favini, Andrew Jenrich, Deb Spratt, Cheryl Donahue, Robin Shtulman, Sharon Bernard, Ryan Donovan, Erin Redihan, Ann Dallair Julia Palmer, Joe Hood

The meeting was called to order at 10:01 am

Bernadette made a motion to accept the minutes of the September 10, 2020 meeting. Becky seconded the motion. The vote is all in favor, motion passed unanimously.

President’s report
Brittany reported that the annual meeting, held in November had a good turnout and that she received quite a bit of positive feedback from attendees.
We are going to restructure the committees today.

Treasurer’s report
Bernadette reported that we currently have 31 paid members and 44 overdue memberships.

$85 in membership fees was received in December.
Expense was $35 to the Massachusetts Attorney General for the public charities registration fee.
$4157.69 left in treasury not counting the legislative breakfast monies which are $296.96.

By laws Subcommittee
No report

Public Relations
We had talked early last year about sending out a newsletter but never sent out due to Covid.
Deb Hinkle is up for creating a new newsletter.

Legislative Breakfast Subcommittee
Lisa Cheever is looking for someone to take over from her, Becky is going to step up.
Last time Lisa talked to someone from the MLA Legislative Committee they were talking about online breakfasts.
Rob says that the MBLCs legislative agenda is pretty much set.
Lisa will reach out to MLA and see what their plan is.

Membership Subcommittee
Bernadette and Robin are going to work on sending out a reminder to people who are overdue.
Nominating Subcommittee
No report

Programming Subcommittee
Andrew is looking for someone to take over from him, otherwise no report.

Committee Reorganization:
By-laws: Bernadette and Andrew will co-chair
PR/Communications: Brittany will stay on as chair
Legislative Breakfast: Becky will chair
Membership: Robin and Bernadette will co-chair (also will work with PR/Communications to work on marketing)
Nominating: Becky will take on chair since she’s past president
Programming: Lisa and Cheryl Hansen will co-chair

Grant update:
Becky reports that all the money was spent. She sent emails to the foundation but never heard back from them.

New Business:
Set the third Wednesday of the month as a standard meeting date, 10 am. So, next meeting is February 17 at 10 am

Next meeting we can come up with a target date to send out the newsletter
Ask member libraries to submit blurbs about what they’ve been doing during the pandemic

Old Business
Discussion of possibly holding training outside in the spring

Lisa motion to adjourn at 10:28 am, Bernadette seconded. Meeting adjourned.