

LACUNY Executive Council Minutes

Friday, April 12 , 2024, 2:00 - 4:00pm

Online Meeting

In Attendance: Nanette Johnson (City Tech), Derek Stadler (LaGuardia), Colleen Bradley-Sanders (Brooklyn College), Jill Cirasella (Graduate Center), Eric Pellerin (Medgar Evers), Madeline Ruggiero (QCC), Stefka Tzanova (York College), Maria Kiriakova (John Jay), Samantha Walsh (Hunter College), Matt Dineiro (CCNY), Keith Muchowski (City Tech), Charles Keyes (LaGuardia), Lane Glisson (BMCC), Natalie Milbrodt (Queens College), Nicole Williams (CUNY School of Medicine), Nelson Santana (BCC)

The meeting formally opened at 2:05 pm

1. Welcome

2. President's Report: We have nominees for all positions for next year. There are two people running for secretary. Nominations are being accepted for the Dália M. Leonardo Library School Scholarship and the Jay Bernstein Memorial Scholarship. The deadline to submit a nominee is Friday, April 19. Derek sent out this email on April 10. Anyone interested in joining a committee to review nominations email Derek

3. Treasurer's Update TDBank is allowing email address to be used and Mark has updated the page The PayPal account is now closed and zelle is being used.If anything comes in through zelle put the monies in the affinipay system which is used to accept credit cards and works together with Wild Apricot

These two emails need to be kept active, lacunyeb@gmail.com and lacunyinstitute2020@gmail.com. Two donations were made, one by Sage for \$500, and OUP (Oxford University Press) for \$10,836. Nannette informed us that the LACUNY minutes have been historically uploaded to Academic Works for open viewing. Please continue to do this for public reference.

4. CCL Update: March meeting highlights included a report on the Suny/Cuny share project and indicates that we received 253 books while SUNY borrowed 540 books. Some chiefs are concerned about the OneSearch default for home campus and all of CUNY libraries. The ease of the Bright Space migration varies from each campus. Chiefs reported that for some schools the migration is seamless while others are having challenges with the transition. OLS is looking

to hire a university archivist. Central does not allow people to get tenure so people are less inclined to want to work at CUNY Central. OLS has been unable to get a full time cataloguer. There have been a series of part time employees as cataloguers. OLS is trying to figure out how to increase opportunities across campuses to help junior faculty advance. There are different standards across CUNY for tenure. The meeting also included discussions about bylaws related to librarians and workflow. In the April meeting we learned that the American Chemical Society journals will be free for open access. DEi mentorship is happening across campuses. The chief monograph sharing has 5 schools that are participating. One chief made a note of pointing out that since elections take place on the first week of May it may be wise to have future LACUNY Institute events happen at a different time

5. Membership / Recruitment: There are currently 145 full time, 3 lifetime members, and 11 associate members for a total of 159 members. Charles Keyes, librarian at Laguardia, is nominating Robert Farrell, librarian at Lehman College, for consideration as lifetime member. Farrell has made many positive contributions to our profession to boost the reputation of librarians within CUNY. For membership options we should consult the bylaws.

6. LACUNY Professional Development Committee representative: Not here

7. LACUNY Institute 2024 Registration is open <https://lacuny.org/event-5672972>

- Conferences will be delivered via Zoom and all sessions will be recorded.
- LACUNY Members – \$15.00
- MLIS students – \$10.00
- Non members – \$20.00
- Program is finalized.
- LACUNY_Institute_2024_Program.docx
- There are 10 panels scheduled
- Keynote speaker is ALA President Emily Drabinski (will deliver Keynote address free of charge)
- Institute is fully virtual and recorded with ability to enable CC
- I think we decided to do away with the LACUNY Zoom account and will save approximately \$1,200

We have three committed sponsors and there could be more. Only one sponsor has made a payment. Third sponsor Ebsco will purchase a gold membership for 1000

Consider not having LACUNY the first week of may due to election being held at Chief's meeting

8. Roundtable Call and Updates: Charles Keyes noted that the instruction committee/ roundtable will meet May 3rd Friday zoom link will be sent out.

9. New Business: None

The meeting concluded at 3:28 pm.

