**UNYOC 2023 Pre-Conference Executive Committee Meeting**

October 25, 2023

# **Present:**

Stephanie Sanger (Vice Chair), Olivia Tsistinas (Past Chair), Kim Nolan (Conference Planning Vice Chair), Virginia Trow (Treasurer), Abigail Smith (Chapter Council Representative), Darcey Rodriguez (Conference Planning Immediate Past Chair), Sarah Lawler (CE), Amanda Ross-White (Member-at-Large, Ontario), Lorraine Porcello (Conference Planning Vice Chair), Angélique Roy (Government Relations, Ontario), Stephanie Helsher (Secretary)

# **Absent:**

Denise Smith (Chair), Beth Mamo (Membership), Liz Irish (MLA Credentialing), Michael Labrecque (Webmaster), Lisa Buda (Archives), Jaimi McClean (Communications), Rebecca Kindon (Vice Chapter Council)

# **Action Items: None**

* Lorraine and Stephanie S. to speak with Beth Merkle about the Vice Chair position
* Abby to check bylaws (ours and MLA’s) to see if she would be able to fill the MLA credentialling position

Meeting called to order at 4:36 pm

In opening remarks, Stephanie S. noted that Denise could not make the conference, but thanked her for her hard work for UNYOC

# **Agenda:**

1. Minutes from summer meeting (Stephanie S.)

**Motion to** approve the summer 2023 meeting minutes

**MOTIONED** by Kim/ **Seconded** by Olivia

**Discussion:** Olivia kindly commented on the quality of Stephanie H.’s note taking.

**Vote:** 9 in favor, none opposed or abstained

MOTION APPROVED

1. 2024 Nominees (Stephanie S.)

**Motion to** approve the slate of 2024 slate of nominees to elected positions

**MOTIONED** by Kim/ **Seconded** by Amanda

**Discussion:**

* Stephanie S. commented that the vacant vice chair is disappointing. Lorraine is working on a nomination from the floor for this position.
* Olivia wanted to convey, for anyone having discussions to persuade a nomination, that the weekly huddle of the Chairs is very supportive—there is lots of support for someone who is unsure of the position
* Rachel Becker is taking the Treasurer position
* Susanna Galbraith is the incoming Secretary
* Jamia Williams is Member-at-Large East/West
* Beth Merke is Member at Large East/West
  + Lorraine will be talking to Beth about the Vice Chair position instead, as we need a Vice Chair much more than the Member-at-Large position. Beth has extensive leadership experience from NYLA. New to medical librarianship, but she won’t have difficulty in this role. Stephanie S. to talk with Beth as well.

Vote: 9 in favor, none opposed or abstained

MOTION APPROVED

**Motion to** approve the slate of 2023 appointee positions

* Jaimi McClean to continue as the Communication Coordinator
* Vacant positions: Government Relations, MLA credentialling, Conference Planning Vice Chair (chair for 2025)

**MOTIONED** by Kim/ **Seconded** by Abby

**Discussion**:

* MLA credentialling
  + Abby willing to do it, but unsure if she can fill 2 roles. Abby will look at rules and will do it if she can.
  + For anyone stepping into the MLA Credentialling position, Rebecca and Liz are good resources.
  + Abby needs to check all the bylaws (ours and MLA’s)

**Vote**: 9 in favor, none opposed or abstained

1. Review Treasurer’s report and FY24 budget (Ginger)

Motion to approve the FY24 budget

MOTIONED by Kim/ Seconded by Olivia

**Discussion**: None

**Vote**: in favor: 9 in favor, none opposed or abstained

MOTION APPROVED

1. Business meeting agenda

**Motion to** approve agenda for the business meeting

**MOTIONED** by Kim/ **Seconded** by Amanda

**Discussion: None**

**Vote:** 9 in favor, none opposed or abstained

MOTION APPROVED

1. Post-conference executive meeting agenda

**Motion to** finalize the post conference Executive Committee Meeting

**MOTIONED** by Kim/**Seconded** by Lorraine

**Discussion: None**

**Vote**: in favor: 9 in favor, non opposed or abstained

MOTION APPROVED

1. Review conference planning final details & incoming conference planning committee (Kim)

* In good shape and going well! The CE was really good (thanks Sarah!). Good speakers coming.
* Wish attendance was more—hopefully Chautauqua will be better.
  + Olivia: on building attendance, urges people to use methods available to share pictures of our meetings to colleagues and organizations. We want interns to attend and will give cheaper attendance.
  + Stephanie S. asked if any students are attending this year. Kim received interest from 2 students wanted to present, but only one is coming. The student is giving a poster presentation. Student is from San Jose State University (probably online program).
* 2024
  + Lorraine stated a goal for the 2024 conference committee should be to engage more with students in our area.
    - Olivia suggested talking up the Ursula Poland award, but Amanda and Ginger reminded the group that the scholarships are currently on pause from being awarded
  + Lorraine also wants to talk up the 60th anniversary for the 2024 conference, and questioned whether there was any way to build content around this
  + Groups to potentially partner with
    - Amanda noted that the NYS Science Librarians met just last week. We could maybe do something with them. Olivia suggested a Co-CE event, but noted that this group plans their events very far in advance. Maybe opportunities for co-advertising or cross-presentations
    - UNYSLA was mentioned, but Abby noted that UNYSLA folded, and we’ve picked up members because of it
    - Ottawa Valley

1. Adjournment

Stephanie S. motioned to adjourn the meeting at 4:58 pm

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