

## READS BOARD MEETING – Wed. Dec 7, 2005

### NHSL

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 am by President Sarah Leonardi. In attendance were Brian Hackert, Tricia Quinn, Claudia Mayer and Diane Arrato Gavrish.

Tricia presented a Treasurer's Report through October 31, 2005. Balance in the savings account was \$4,013.77. Checking was \$245.96.

Claudia reported on the Programming Committee. She discussed the new form that will be available and the procedure for filling it out after a program. The summary form includes the specifics of the program as well as a summary, expenses, comments and feedback from evaluations. It is hoped that these forms will be kept on file to refer back to and to help keep track of programs and the work that was done on them.

The next Roundtable is planned for the last week in March. The topic will center around Book Discussion Groups. The programs will take place in Hooksett, Rye and Hanover with sessions from either 10-12 or 12-2 with actual book discussions afterward. Approximately 20-40 people would be expected to attend.

Claudia reported on a discussion held at the last meeting of the Programming Committee concerning how the group could work better together as a team. She also related concerns raised by the committee regarding the Executive Board's involvement in Programming plans and activities. Likewise, she conveyed the committee's suggestions relating to the READS bylaws and presentation at the READS Annual Meeting. The Board appreciated the recommendation to have a parliamentarian assist with the Annual Meeting. The Board also suggested that future meetings when bylaws are discussed should be taped in order that the comments made by members would be able to be transcribed more accurately.

Betsy Eaton from Converse Library in Lyme will join the Programming Committee.

The financial status of READS was reviewed. It is the intention of the group that the figures that NHLA show will match those of our accounts. There is still a withdrawal from the READS account that is being looked into. Our savings account is accurate.

Sarah asked the Board to collect any minutes/notes/emails from the past for a record of READS activities from 2005 and before. Everyone who has any of this information that would be beneficial for archival purposes is asked to forward them to Sarah.

Election results were reviewed. We received a total of 48 ballots (19 at KUA, 10 faxed, 14 mailed to the Local Government Center, and 5 returned in person). There were 11 write in votes for Vice President/President-Elect. Officers for 2006 are:

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New contact information will be posted on the website.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Arrato Gavrish

Secretary