Minutes

Present: Nick Buron (video), Stephen Bury (video), Greta Byrum (video), Donna Gibson (video), Nick Higgins (video), Melissa Jacobs (video), Shannon Mattern (video), Leah Meisterlin (video), Jim Neal (video), Kameelah Rasheed (phone)

Not Present: H. Austin Booth, Patricia Hswe, Brian Kenney, Caryl Matute

Staff: Nate Hill (video), Shelly Mohammed (video)

Shannon Mattern brought the meeting to order at approximately 3:03 p.m.

Mattern motioned to accept the minutes from the 02/25/2022 board meeting. Moved by Stephen Bury and seconded by Leah Meisterlin, the board voted unanimously to accept the minutes.

President’s Update:
New School updates. Mattern is serving on the Advisory Board for the Museum of the City of New York’s exhibition: Analog City NYC B. C. (Before Computers). Mattern suggests this exhibition may be of interest to the board.

Annual Budget:
Nate Hill mentioned to the board that there may be a 5.8% increase from the state coming, but this is not reflected in the budget. Will keep the board posted. Without question from the board, Mattern motioned to accept the annual budget. Moved by Bury and seconded by Melissa Jacobs, the board voted unanimously to accept the 2022-2023 FY Budget.

Board Discussion:
Hill mentioned to the board that Brian Kenney has decided, for personal and professional reasons, to resign from the board, effective immediately.

Executive Director’s Report:
- METRO’s in-person annual meeting is scheduled for June 14, 2022 at NYPL’s SNFL library. ALA President-Elect Emily Drabinski will serve as the keynote speaker and the entire board is encouraged to attend.
- ARPA Updates
- Digital Equity Research Center
- Programs & Events Team Updates
- Repositories Team Updates

Presentation:
Traci Mark (staff) spoke to the board about the new Equity Mentorship Program at METRO.
General Discussion:
Projects that board members are working on.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

2022 Board Meeting Dates:
Thursday, June 30, 2022
Friday, September 23, 2022
Friday, November 11, 2022
Friday, December 9, 2022