Minutes

Present: H. Austin Booth (video), Stephen Bury (video), Greta Byrum (video), Donna Gibson (video), Nick Higgins (video), Patricia Hswe (video), Shannon Mattern (video), Caryl Matute (video), Jesse Montero (video), Jim Neal (video), Kameelah Rasheed (phone)

Not Present: Nick Buron, Melissa Jacobs, Leah Meisterlin

Staff: Nate Hill (video), Allison Lund (video)

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

Mattern motioned to accept the minutes from the 06/30/2022 board meeting. Moved by Stephen Bury and seconded by H. Austin Booth, the board voted unanimously to accept the minutes.

Presentations:
LMS Feasibility Study, Carson Block
The New DCMNY, Allison Lund

Executive Director’s Report:
● REALM network convening tool
● METRO is pursuing an NLG grant from IMLS
● Leadership Team retreat upcoming
● Digital Equity updates
● Program & Event updates
● Archives and Climate Change course

Nate Hill gave a brief description of the proposed membership model changes. These changes would alter the Non-Profit Member category so that the category is limited to non-libraries in NYC and Westchester (ie Scholastic). In addition, these changes would add a new category, Digital Member, for orgs outside METRO’s region regardless of library or not. They would have the same benefits as the non-profit category. Mattern motioned to accept these changes. Moved by Jim Neal and seconded by Bury, the board voted unanimously to approve the changes to the membership model.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

2022 Board Meeting Dates:
Friday, December 9, 2022