

Annual Meeting
Citizens for Maryland Libraries
October 14, 2017
Prince George's County Memorial Library, Laurel Branch

The meeting was called to order by President Kristen Pironis at 1:30 pm. The business meeting was held as part of a day-long conference, Supporting Your Library During Challenging Times, a Conference for Trustees, Friends and Foundation Members.

The agenda was approved.

Martha Grahame moved and Margie Rhoden seconded that the minutes of the last annual meeting held on October 22, 2016, be approved as written. All in favor.

Sarah Avant presented the Executive Director's Report. She thanked the members for her warm welcome to her position. She will be the smiling face of CML and hopes to organize the membership database and grow the membership.

Martha Grahame submitted a written report from the Nominating Committee. Nominations for Director are Jay Bansbach, Kristen Pironis, Karl Schwalm, Jane Terebey and Lynn Wheeler. Nominations for Officers are President – Kristen Pironis, Vice-President – Pat Hofmann, Secretary – Margie Rhoden, and Treasurer – Stuart Ragland. The slate was moved by Karen Trennepohl and seconded by Jim DeArme. All in favor. Kristen Pironis welcomed Jim Fish and Jim DeArme to the board, as they had joined during the year. She thanked John Carty for his work over several years as he is going off the board.

Stuart Ragland presented the Treasurer's Report. During the year expenses were low as the Executive Director position was vacant for a number of months. CML was under budget for the year.

Bylaws had been revised during the year. A copy was distributed electronically to the membership, as required, and a print copy was included in the packet. Pat Hofmann reviewed the notable revisions, in particular, the addition of a section on ethics. Arthuree Wright moved and Stuart Ragland seconded that the bylaws be approved as amended. All in favor.

Upcoming CML awards and grants were discussed. Other than the Partridge award, the deadline for awards and grants is November 20.

The next meeting of the board will be in Queen Anne's County, at the Kent Island Branch, on January 6, with a snow date of January 20. The February meeting will be held on Maryland Legislative Day.

Member Alice Hagemeyer shared information about the Deaf Culture Library.

Kristen Pironis adjourned the business meeting at 1:50 pm.