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**ANNUAL MEETING  
May 19, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.  
Held at the Saratoga National Golf Club in Saratoga Springs, NY**

**MINUTES**

The 67th Annual Meeting of the Southern Adirondack Library System was held on Monday, May 19, 2024 at the Saratoga National Golf Club in Saratoga Springs, NY and brought to order at 6:00p.m. with SALS Board President, Carol Kuhr presiding.

Ms. Kuhr welcomed the SALS Board of trustees. Those in attendance were:

- Linda Borden (Washington County/Easton Library)
- Eleanor DeVries (Washington County)
- Laura Goodman (Washington County)
- Janet Lindner (Saratoga County)
- Patricia Partello (Saratoga County/Saratoga Springs Public Library)
- Tom Shaginaw (Saratoga County)
- Margaret Shapiro (Warren County/Crandall Public Library)

SALS trustees not present:

- Sue Beck (Warren County/Inlet Library)
- Christine Connell (Saratoga County/Waterford Public Library)
- Heather Crocker (Saratoga County)

Ms. Kuhr announced that copies of the 2024 Central Library Report from Kathy Naftaly, Director of the Crandall Public Library, as well as the 2024 SALS Treasurer's Report, and the SALS 2024 Year in Review, were available to everyone. This information is also available on the SALS website: [www.sals.edu](http://www.sals.edu).

Janet Lindner took the Rollcall of member libraries.

Seventy-three trustees and seventy-four representatives from twenty-six member libraries out of thirty-four were represented.

Argyle Free library	Ballston Community Public Library – Burnt Hills	Ballston Spa Public Library
Bolton Free Library	Caldwell-Lake George Library	Cambridge Public Library
Clifton Park/Halfmoon Public Library	Corinth Free Library	Crandall Public Library-Glens Falls
Easton Library	Fort Edward Free Library	Galway Public Library
Horicon Free Public Library-Brant Lake	Hudson Falls Free Library	Indian Lake Public Library
Inlet Public Library	Mechanicville District Public Library	The Richards Library-Warrensburg
Rockwell Falls Public Library-Luzerne	Round Lake/Malta Library	Saratoga Springs Public Library
Schuylerville Public Library	Stillwater Public Library	Stony Creek Free Library
Town of Chester Public Library	Town of Chester Public Library	

Ms. Kuhr welcomed SALS staff members. In attendance were:

Sara Dallas, Pamela DelSignore, Michele Largeau, Jill Ryder, Jack Scott, and Colleen Smith.

Ms. Kuhr welcomed guests Emily Drabinski and speaker George Steele.

After dinner Mr. Shaginaw, chair of the Library Services Committee, presented the Program of the Year Awards along with citations from Carrie Woerner to the Galway Public Library and to the Saratoga Springs Public Library. An honorable mention award was also presented to the Stillwater Public Library.

Ms. Borden, chair of the Personnel Committee, presented the Trustee of the Year Award along with citations from Carrie Woerner to Raymond James "Jim" Hodsoll of the Galway Public Library.

Assemblywoman Carrie Woerner took the floor to commend the work of the library community.

Ms. Lindner, chair of the Nominating Committee, announced the Election of Trustees to fill the vacancy for Hamilton, Saratoga, Warren, and Washington Counties. The following candidates agreed to serve, if nominated:

- For Hamilton County: Jordan Hornstein for a four-year term
- For Saratoga County: Heather Crocker for a two-year term  
Pat Partello for a five-year term
- For Warren County: Margaret Shapiro for a second five-year term

- For Washington County: Eleanor DeVries for a five-year term  
Debbie Warnock for a three-year term

Brief biographical information about these nominees was provided in the April 23<sup>rd</sup> notice.

Ms. Lindner asked if there were other nominations from the floor. Seeing no nominations Ms. Lindner instructed the secretary to cast one ballot for the people nominated by the Trustee Nominating Committee who is hereby elected by acclamation by the trustees of the member libraries of the Southern Adirondack Library System.

Ms. Lindner presented a Resolution of Appreciation along with citations from Carrie Woerner to Ms. Connell and Ms. Borden for their service as members of the SALS board of trustees for ten years of service.

Ms. Kuhr asked if there were questions for the Board or for the Director.

Ms. Dallas took the floor to express appreciation to the library community as she prepares for retirement.

Ms. Kuhr introduced the guest speaker George Steele.

Ms. Kuhr thanked everyone for attending and said good evening.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela DelSignore

SALS – Financial and Administration Manager