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Notice of Annual Business Meeting

Notice is hereby given of the annual business meeting of the Southern Adirondack Library System on Monday, May 15, 2023, at the Excelsior Springs Event Center, Saratoga Springs, NY. Hearing-assistive devices will be available for those who request them, and the venue is wheelchair accessible.

Prior to the 6:30 PM meeting, there will be a meet-and-greet at 5:00 PM and dinner served at 6:00 PM. Our program will feature Lauren Moore, Assistant Commissioner for Libraries and State Libraries.

At the business meeting, election of trustees will be held in accordance with New York State Education Law §255, 2f, and with SALS Bylaws. The following openings exist:

- One in **Hamilton County** to complete a five-year term due to the resignation of the second five-year term of Ms. Nancy Seifts. Ms. Nanci Vineyard has agreed to have her name considered for the completion of a first five-year term. Term to expire May, 2027.
- One in **Saratoga County** for a five-year term due to the expiration of the first five-year term of Ms. Janet Lindner. Ms. Lindner has agreed to have her name considered for a second five-year term. Term to expire May, 2028.
- One in Washington County for a five-year term due to the expiration of the first five-year term of Ms. Carol Kuhr. Ms. Kuhr has agreed to have her name considered for a second five-year term. Term to expire May, 2028.

Brief biographical data about the nominees follows in this notice.

Nominations for the openings will also be accepted from the floor at the business meeting. Any individual you suggest should agree to serve, if elected, and should be aware that committee work outside of SALS board meetings is required.

Jordan Hornstein, Chair Trustee Nominating Committee

Hamilton County: Nanci Vineyard for a five-year term to expire May, 2027.

Regarding the current opening for a third member from Hamilton County to fill an open position on the Board of the Southern Adirondack Library System (SALS), I would like to submit my information for consideration.

I have been a resident of Indian Lake since 1999, and have used the stellar Indian Lake branch and SALS system on a weekly basis for over these two decades. I love our library, and our overall lending system, and would consider it my honor to be able to give back by serving on its board.

My local employment background consists of having been a newspaper reporter for the Hamilton County News and several other local papers, covering mostly environmental issues and Adirondack Park Agency meetings, as well as writing articles for the Adirondack Explorer and other national magazines. I also

taught English at Adirondack Community College for six years during the 2000's and while there also tutored in the Writing Center and taught specialty classes in the Continuing Education Department. I have also managed two area gift shops, including forging numerous relationships with local artisans whose work I stocked. During my 20+ years in the Adirondacks I continuously supplemented my income by operating a store selling rare and antiquarian books online.

I am a member of Adirondack Lakes Center for the Arts, Protect the Adirondacks, and the Adirondack Land Trust.

Saratoga County: Janet Lindner for a five-year term to expire May, 2028.

A resident of Saratoga Springs since 1975, Janet has a BA in philosophy and an MS in Health Policy and Management. Before her retirement she had two careers, as a technical writer and editor for computer software, and in public health. Her last job included initiating and editing a journal at the New York State Academy of Family Physicians.

Janet served as board member and president of the Friends of the Saratoga Springs Public Library, and as trustee and board president of the library's board of trustees. She has been on the SALS board for one term, currently serving as vice president.

Washington County: Carol Kuhr for a five-year term to expire May, 2028.

I have been retired from teaching in Granville, New York since 2010. There, I taught Special Education at the elementary level for 23 years. I earned a B.A. in American Studies from Douglass College, Rutgers University. My M.A. in Reading is from New York University.

Since retiring, my two main interests have been my home and community. I live with my husband, Ron, in an old farmhouse in Argyle. We grow a lot of vegetables and make a little maple syrup. I am also the Chair of the Friends of the Argyle Library. Through the work of our director, Faith St. John, the library won an ALA Libraries Transforming Communities grant early in 2022. An outcome of the community forums made possible by the grant was the creation of the nonprofit Argyle Improvement Association. I am vice president of the association and coordinator of its Water and Sewer Committee. We are working with the Argyle Village Board to secure grants for the design and funding of a much needed sanitary sewer system for the village.

It is an honor to serve on the SALS Board of Trustees and I am grateful for the support SALS gives to the libraries in our region.