# Maine Library Advisory Council (MLAC)

## Meeting Minutes

**November 5, 2020**

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| Present: | Reg. 1 Rep. Chip Schrader, Goodall ML, Sanford  Reg. 2 Rep. Beth Kane, Norway ML  Reg. 3 Rep. Tammy Rabideau, Waterville PL  Reg. 4 Rep. Debra Lay, Vose Library  Reg. 5 Rep. Michelle Fagan, Thompson FL, Dover-Foxcroft  Reg. 6 Rep. Debbie Lozito, Edythe Dyer CL, Hampden  Reg. 7 Rep. Elly Andrews, Northeast Harbor Library  Reg. 8 Rep. Marianne Thibodeau, Merrill Library, Univ. of Maine, Machias  Reg. 9 Rep. Sonja Eyler, Mark and Emily Turner ML, Presque Isle  Ex officio- Academic library rep. Carin Dunay, SMCC  Ex officio- School library (MASL) rep. Amanda Kozaka, Cape Elizabeth Middle School  Maine State Library: Jamie Ritter, Janet McKenney, Deborah Clark, Lisa Shaw, Jenny Melvin, Jared Leadbetter, Stephanie Zurinski  Maine Library Commission Rep. Jeff Cabral |  |
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| Next meeting: | **TBD** |  |

1. Welcome & introductions

The meeting was called to order by MLAC Chair C. Schrader at 9:35 a.m. Schrader welcomed 57 attendees and introduced the regional representative and ex officio members of the Council.

1. Business: State Librarian Jamie Ritter

**Discussion:** State Librarian, J. Ritter, presented on the history of MLAC and updated the group on the vacancies on the Maine Library Commission with instructions on how to request appointment to the Commission.

**Action:** For information only.

1. Presentation

**Discussion**: Ann Freeman of the law firm Bernstein, Shur. Ann presented on the impact of COVID-19 in the workplace and how to handle staff issues and concerns.

**Action:** For continuing education of Maine library professionals.

1. Adjournment

C. Schrader adjourned the meeting at 12:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Deborah Clark 10/20/20