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NORTH COUNTRY PUBLIC LIBRARY  
DIRECTORS ORGANIZATION

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ARTICLE I - Name

This group shall be known as the North Country Public Library Directors Organization.

ARTICLE II - Purpose

The organization will serve to improve library service to the residents of Jefferson, Lewis, Oswego, and St. Lawrence Counties, through the interchange of information, the monitoring of services provided to libraries, and the provision of advice and guidance to the North Country Library System regarding concerns of the organization.

ARTICLE III - Membership

A. Each NCLS member library director/manager or their designee is eligible for membership. When used herein, the term "member" shall mean eligible member.

B. Each member attending one or more meetings per year will be considered an active member.

C. Each active member shall have one vote in organization matters.

ARTICLE IV - Officers

A. The Association will be headed by a President who shall preside at all meetings, authorize calls for special meetings, appoint committees, and prepare agendas.

B. The Vice-President will serve in the absence of the President.

C. The secretary will record and distribute minutes, distribute agendas, and provide notice of all meetings. Minutes shall be automatically distributed to all members. Normal notifications and communications will be by email.

D. All terms of office shall be for one year, not to exceed two consecutive terms.

E. A Nominating Committee will present a slate of officers annually to all members for a vote at the Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE V - Meetings

A. Meetings of the Association will be held in April, June, and October. The April and October meetings will be held in Watertown. The June meetings will be held in different libraries around the four counties on a rotating basis. Special meetings may be called by the President when deemed appropriate.

B. The meeting held in October shall be the Annual Meeting.

C. A quorum for voting shall consist of members present with a simple majority needed to pass a vote.

D. Meetings will be held from 10:30 a.m. to not later than 1:30 p.m. No votes shall be taken except during the hours 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

E. Every attempt will be made to rotate the site of meetings to provide a more equitable opportunity to attend.

ARTICLE VI - Committees

A. The Nominating Committee will be appointed by the President and will have representation from each county having active members in the Association.

B. A Liaison Committee will be appointed by the President to provide organization representation at NCLS Board meetings.

C. Committees to further the objectives of the Association will be appointed as needed by the President.

ARTICLE VII - By-Laws

By-laws may be amended at any meeting of the Organization provided written notice of the proposed Amendment has been sent to all members at least 20(twenty) days prior to the meeting at which such action is proposed to be taken.

ARTICLE VIII - Programs

Programs, if any, shall be determined at any meeting for presentation at some future meeting. Normal meeting agenda will consist of discussion of matters of mutual interest.