

**ORANGE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION  
GENERAL MEETING  
OCTOBER 25, 2006**

**Attendance:**

Marie Arnstein, Carol Bezkorowajny, Florence Brady, Cora Collela, Lois Delarosa, Theresa Dolch, Angela Farrugia, Madelyn Folino, Hattie Grifo, Darcey Green, Emma Hoben, Eda Lapont, Rebecca Lynn, Roberta Manzella, Carol McCrossen, Lois McCreery, Marilyn McIntosh, Joanne Movrich, Linda Petersen, Rose Ann Pomares, Rose Marie Reilly, Gail Seidenfrau, Suzanne Skeels, Jodi Smith, Catina Strauss, Martha Sullivan, Denise Terzian, Melanie Turner

Suzanne Skeels called the meeting to order at 9:35 A.M. at Ramapo Catskill Library System in Middletown.

Approval of minutes of the September 6, 2006 meeting was tabled. Molly Robbins will provide these minutes at the next meeting.

**Treasurer's Report**

Balance in our account is approximately \$7,000. Second check from Orange County is due in December. OLA's amount will be taken out of the second check.

**Legislative/Advocacy Committee**

Paperwork is in to Orange County for 2007. We have asked for \$200,000 but will probably received \$120,000. Please write to your legislators for their support for Orange County libraries.

**Programming**

Please send any ideas for this year's Bash to Theresa Dolch at Tuxedo.

There will be a Circ/Tech Roundtable in April. Please begin thinking about any issue for discussion and send to Carol Bezkorowajny at Monroe.

December 13, 2006 meeting will be a General Meeting/Holiday Celebration to be held at Thrall Library 11:30 A.M. – 2 P.M. All are welcome to bring samples or description of holiday program from their library.

**Website**

Work on the website is proceeding. Please send any ideas or information about library programs to Susan O'Neill at Monroe.

**Old Business**

A new grant for Books for Babies will be written.  
Liberty Mutual Insurance may come to speak at our December meeting.

### **New Business**

OLA hopes to emulate LARC in the future. Molly Robbins met with LARC representatives and OLA will co-sponsor an event for the LARC conference in 2007.

OLA is now a member of the Orange County Chamber of Commerce.

Jerry Kuntz spoke about the proliferation of collection codes in Horizon. Currently there are approximately 360 codes. So many codes can lead to mistakes in linking. Collection codes are used by reports to generate statistics, show in catalog to use as directional cues, limit search by groups and view items by collection. All codes need to be grouped for the state annual report.

Jerry would like input from OLA on how to cut back on the number of codes. Perhaps a threshold of 200 plus item would warrant a code. OLA will have a committee work on collection codes and report to Jerry by the end of 2006.

Meeting was adjourned for a workshop on stress. Thanks to Carol for putting together this program.

Respectfully submitted,

Florence Brady  
Secretary  
Orange Library Association