Annual Report 2023

Annual Report of 2023 - ACRL/NY

Submitted by Liam Adler

In 2021, ACRL/NY undertook a commitment to crafting a new vision. We want our organization to be sensible and smart in its functioning; transparent in its governance; vibrant and dynamic in its programing; inclusive, diverse, and robust in its membership; and responsive to its members. The Committee for a New Vision has guided this effort. In 2023 they continued to meet regularly, to reimagine and to work through complicated details. Specifically, the committee focused this year on revising our handbook, and piloting new organizational structures. Additionally, we also undertook the first of what I hope will be an ongoing initiative to partner with other regional library organizations on service projects. The goal is twofold: to undertake concrete work to serve both our users and our library colleagues and to build networks of solidarity across library types. This year we worked with the Urban Librarians Unite group on their project to support public libraries serving refugees.

 ACRL/NY is powered by an Executive Board that meets for hours each month to think carefully about what we do and how we do it. Our Professional Development Committee and our discussion groups plan a rich menu of programs, events, and networking opportunities. Our mentoring program pairs experienced academic librarians with those new to our field, so they can grow together and so our profession can grow too. Our Symposium Planning Committee spends a full year putting together a rich day of presentations and conversations. It's my hope that our annual symposium will be known as a space for critical dialogue within the profession. This year's focus, on slow librarianship, invited us to, in the words of Julia Glassman, "reflect on the effects of capitalism and corporatization on the work habits of librarians."

I appreciate the space that our symposium gives us to reflect on our role as librarians and what we might do to help in a world devastated by war, racism, colonialism, (and a list that goes on). I hope that critical thought and mutual aid

might help us find our way to a deeper empathy and a sharper analysis. I hope - and I believe - that libraries and librarians have a specific role to play in supporting both.

I would like to thank everyone on the symposium committee and in particular Ian Beilin for crystalizing the vision and chairing the group and Danielle Apfelbaum for doing so much of the foundational work this year.

I'd also like to take a particular moment to thank Linda Miles. Linda has been an absolute pillar of the academic library community in New York for years, and of ACRL/NY for 11. She served as president twice, most recently in 2022, and led and shaped our Committee for a New Vision, as ACRL/NY undertook the work to reimagine and restructure. She is the most administratively awesome person I know and one of the most professionally energetic and generous. She is starting a new position and a new chapter in Michigan and will be truly, truly missed.

Linda and I and Jane Suda, our incoming president for 2024, had a rich and generative weekly space in our President's Council's meeting, and I want to thank Jane too. You will be in good hands next year.

It's been good to work with you all in 2023. I look forward to the road ahead.
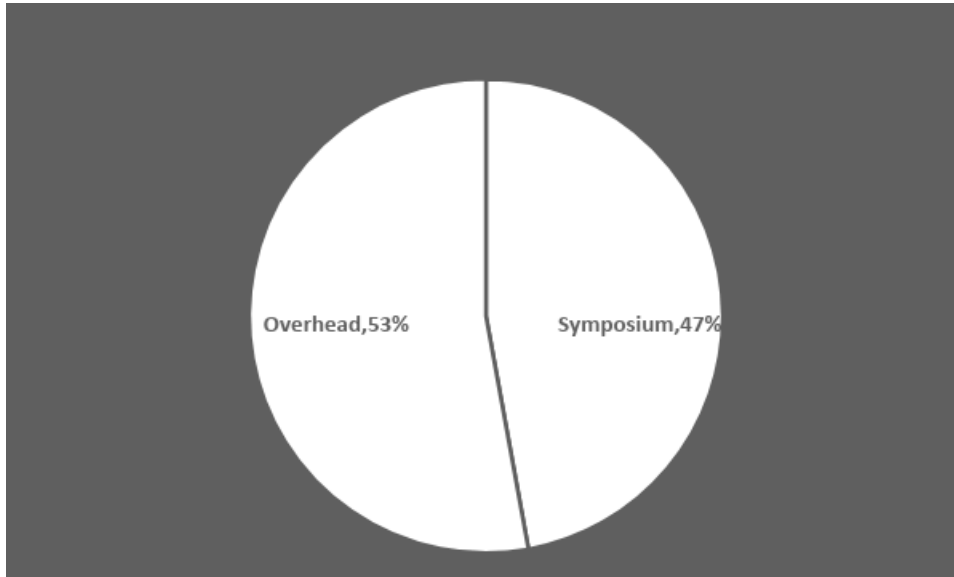
Respectfully,

Liam Adler

Treasurer's Report Symposium December 1, 2023

Chase Checking
As of 11/27/23: $21,350.64
Chase Savings
As of 11/27/23: $29,165.98
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Total: $50,516.62

2023 Spending *approximate to date

Respectfully submitted by Sharell Walker, Interim Treasurer

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Symposium Planning Committee Co-Chairs: Ian Beilin, Columbia University; Danielle Apfelbaum, SUNY Farmingdale

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The 2024 incoming Executive Board

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