



The National Association to Promote Library and Information Services to Latinos and the Spanish Speaking  
Connecticut - Massachusetts - New Jersey - New York - Pennsylvania - Rhode Island

RNE Chapter's 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting 2018-2019

Friday August 24, 2018

10:00 am 4:00 pm

Host: Corona Branch Library

Vilma Raquel Daza, Community Branch Manager

*Teleconference Call Dial Number 712-775-7031 Meeting ID: 871 980 265#*

Minutes: Linda Caycedo, Secretary

Executive Board Committee Members for 2018-2019

Evelyn Muriel Cooper, President

Adriana Blancarte-Hayward, Vice President

Linda Caycedo, Secretary

Manny Figueroa, Treasurer

Susan Paredes, Past President

**Present:**

Adrian Blancarte-Hayward, Alexandra Gomez, Linda Caycedo, Asuncion Cora, Evelyn Muriel Cooper, Elizabeth Garcia, Jamie Kennelley, Louis Munoz, Manny Figueroa, Vilma Raquel Daza, Zoila Bofill.

Absent: Susan Paredes, Past President, Mary Marquez.

10:00 am - Welcome/Refreshments

Library Tour by Vilma Raquel Daza, Corona Branch Manager

12:00 pm - Lunch Break

1:15 pm - Meeting starts

**Welcome/Introductions** - Evelyn Muriel Cooper, President

**RNE Membership Updates** - As of June 2018, there are 75 RNE members (10 new)

Action: Manny will send membership lists & updates to Evelyn, Adriana and Linda.

Welcome letters, reminders to new members will be sent by VP Adriana.

Manny requested referring new members to register online at <http://www.reforma.org/join> rather than send checks.

Reminder: RNE members should update their RNE profile with any changes in their contact information.

**Treasurer's Report** - Manny Figueroa reviewed the RNE 2017-2018 report;  
July 1 - Aug. 24, 2018 Report; Annual Budget 2017-2018 (handouts)

Action - Debit Card Vote - Members voted unanimously for getting RNE Debit card - It was suggested that Manny speak with the members of the Black Caucus who use a debit card. Manny agreed to research RNE Tax Exemption Status options (speak with Fred Gitner)

Action: Members voted for allotting \$120.00/year of RNE funds for mtg refreshments  
Members unanimously voted YES. Tess motioned, Evelyn seconded the motion.

Regarding RNE Budget Purchases: All purchases must be signed off by Manny, Treasurer;  
Adriana, VP and Evelyn, President

Non budget item requests will need to be voted on by Executive Board members.

**Annual Report FY 2017-2018** – Susan Paredes, Past President (absent)

**I.A. Professional Development Award Recipient Report** (Susan absent)

**Brief Update on 7/13/18 RNE Exec. Bd Teleconference** (viewable on Google Drive)

**Review RNE President Goals for 2018-2019** – Evelyn Muriel Cooper

**Hispanic Heritage Celebration - Oct/Nov 2018**

Proposed Hispanic Heritage Month Fundraiser at Salsa con Fuego - After discussion, the event was put on hold for a possible Spring event allowing more planning time.

**RNE Committees 2018-2019** - (pending updated membership list ) - Manny, Adriana, Evelyn, Linda working towards updating and posting on RNE website. Updated RNE Committee chairpersons for 2018-2019 will be reflected on new list and RNE website. RNE committee chairpersons and members are requested to communicate changes in their contact information and ability to serve on a committee.

**RNE State Coordinators** - vacant positions - Connecticut

New York - Elizabeth Garcia

New Jersey - Louis Munoz, Tess Tobin

**RNE Proposed Budget 2018-2019** Evelyn Muriel Cooper (see handout) Proposed increasing scholarship fund to \$1,000.00.

**Children in Crisis** - Adriana Blancarte has received books to be delivered to agencies service Children in Crisis. Evelyn and Elizabeth volunteered to assist in delivery.

**Next Teleconference Call**

**Friday 9/14/2018**

The teleconference will start at 8:30pm-9:00pm

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**SAVE THE DATE**

**Next Meeting**

**2nd RNE Chapter Mtg**

Date: Friday December 14th, 2018

Time: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Location: Julius Forstmann Main Library, Passaic, N.J.

Host: Mario Gonzalez, Passaic Library Director

RSVP -

**2019**

3rd Annual Book Buzz

Friday January 18, 2019

Penguin Random House, NY, NY

3rd RNE Chapter Meeting 2018-2019

Friday February 15, 2019

Connecticut or Pennsylvania

4th RNE Chapter Meeting 2018-2019

Friday April 12, 2019

Rhode Island or Boston

RNE 15th Annual Mini conferences

Friday May 10th, 2019

Open to suggestions: Langston Hughes Library

Meeting adjourned at 4:25pm (Manny motioned; Adriana seconded the motion)