

## NHLTA Education Committee – Annual Report 2023-2024

The 2024 annual conference was the focus of the 2023-2024 year. The theme for the conference was “Trustee Essentials: Today’s Issues, Tomorrow’s Challenges”. The keynote topic, artificial Intelligence and its implications for libraries, was delivered by Nick Tanzi, noted authority in the field and a librarian. Timely concurrent sessions were very popular and the program was a huge success with capacity attendance. We had excellent support from sponsors and exhibitors this year and active involvement from members of the NHLTA Board and the Education Committee. We established protocols for all of the elements of the conference process for future co-chairs. The two regional meetings and two orientation programs were all very successful with “at capacity” attendance.

The Education Committee also developed a packet of resources designed to help new library trustees understand the fundamentals of their roles. “Trusteeship 101” was sent to library directors to be shared with new trustees. The feedback has been positive.

A Budgeting and Finance workshop was planned for July 16. The committee hopes to have additional regional gatherings and possibly a trustee orientation session and budgeting session in the coming months. During this year NHMA and NHLTA also transitioned to a new software support system, Wild Apricot.

2024 Committee members: Rosemary D’Arcy (chair), Debra Caplan, Marcia McLaughlin, Mark Branoff, Anne Chant, Michelle Elbert, Janet Hromjak, Kathy Parenti, Pat Pustell, Dee Santoso, Conrad Moses, Renee Mallett, Tammy Hooker, Cathy Harvey, Dee Santoso.