Diversity and Outreach Section

Agenda

Tuesday, April 1, 2014 at 10:00am

Paterson Free Public Library

1. Introductions
2. Review of Minutes from February 27, 2014 at East Brunswick Public Library
3. Follow up BY-LAWS & Diversity and Outreach Strategic Plan 2014 – 2016
   1. now on Google Drive thanks to Mi-Sun Lyu – Discuss how to best share them with the entire section
   2. propose discussing the mission statement at our next meeting on April 25, 2014
4. Reminder – the listserv is open to all members – to post send an email to: njla-sect-div@njla.org
5. Update on NJLA wiki – Allan and I received an email last month from Kimberly Paone the Chair of the NJLA Publications Committee. The wiki is being phased out and the sections and roundtables will be moved to the more potentially interactive Drupal site that the NJLA and Conference Committee have been using for the past year. Allan and I have been tasked with appointing “a contact for this task since the process, including Drupal training, will likely run past the end of your term. We [the NJLA Publications Committee] would appreciate your [our] response to the above questions by Monday, April 14. 2014.”
6. NJLA Conference Update –
   1. PreConference – Takin’ It to the Streets 6/2 @ 1:00pm - Andy & Jill
   2. Serving the African Community 6/3 @ 11:30am - Allan
   3. Serving Asian Communities 6/3 @ 4:10pm - Mimi
   4. Diversity you Can Do 6/4 @ 2:30pm – Allan
7. Report from PLA – Nola
8. Elections – Allan and I received an email from Karen Klapperstuck the Chair, Nominations & Elections Subcommittee regarding the NJLA election process – recommendation is to proceed with an uncontested ballot format if we are not ready to do nominations and elections
9. Report from Co-Chairs Meeting
   1. Allan will be focusing on the NJLA conference and increasing visibility of the section
   2. Nola will be handling correspondence, overseeing the By-Laws & Strategic Plan, and the Book Award ‘Taskforce’
10. Book Award Taskforce – charged with identifying a structure for the Section to discuss and vote upon.
    1. How are such awards funded?
    2. What structures exist within NJLA and ALA?
    3. What criteria are used to identify titles?
    4. How is voting handled and by whom?
11. Update from the State Library – Mimi
12. Meeting Structure - Discussion
    1. After the NJLA conference Allan and I propose that we limit Board business to the first hour of our meetings and bring in speakers (or other value added activities) for the second hour.
    2. Possible topics include:
       1. Professional Recruitment
       2. Physical disabilities
       3. Service to different age populations
       4. LGBTI
       5. Ethnic & Multicultural
       6. IFLA (International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions)
       7. Reforma (National Association to Promote Library and Information Services to Latinos and the Spanish Speaking)
       8. Discuss other interests
    3. Meetings to move to the second Thursday of each month beginning in July (July 10, Aug 14, Sept 11, Oct 9, Nov 13, Dec 11)
    4. Locations
       1. Burlington County
       2. other suggestions
13. Good of the Order - Digital Publishing and LGBT Romance & Urban Librarians Unite Conference in Brooklyn
14. Next meeting will be on Thursday, April 24, 2014 at Piscataway Public Library (500 Hoes Lane Piscataway, NJ 08854) and will be hosted by Kate Baker, Special Populations Librarian.