

**Maryland Library Association
Children's Services Division Steering Committee
Washington County Free Library, Hagerstown
Monday, April 11, 2005 10 – 12:30**

In Attendance: Nancy Feierstein, Baltimore County Public Library, Randallstown; Susan Maranto, Howard County Library, Savage; Sharyn Yenzer, BCPL Randallstown; Vera Shade, BCPL Rosedale; Janis L Cooker, St. Mary's, Lexington Park; Linda Berg, Montgomery County Public Library, Davis; Betsy Diamant-Cohen, Enoch Pratt Free Library, Central; Julie Dietzel-Glair, Frederick County Free Library, C. Burr Artz; Janlee Viands, WCFL Central; Linda Laye, WCFL Smithsburg; Susan Schnebly, WCFL Clear Spring; Sally Majoros, BCPL Arbutus; Kathy Kirchoefer, Prince George's County Memorial Library System, New Carrollton; Kit Bloom, Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped; Naomi Butler, Western Maryland Public Library; Irva Nachlas-Gabin, HCL East Columbia; Sophia VanSchaick, Harford County Public Library, Edgewood

Minutes

The minutes are correct as sent.

Fall Conference

SRP talk tables

Sharyn and Vera will do crafts

Michelle Irvine won't do cheers. Susan offered to present them if MI created them. Janis offered to present program ideas again with a SMCPPL colleague or with MI.

Jo Blankenburg will do decorations. Susan will check with HCL staff for a co presenter. Susan will confirm that Andrea will do guest presenters.

Other

Evelyn Moessinger of HCPL has agreed to do baby brain research.

Priscilla Cummings is confirmed.

Jody Sharp of BCPL will do graphic novels

Sophia and possibly Betsy will do the storytime spectacular. If not Betsy, ??? Susan will check with HCL staff

Nancy will make the food arrangements, looking into something other than high carb items for breakfast.

Need for ceu's may affect attendance – may need to limit registration. Kathy will check on room capacities at The Meeting Place.

To do: Betsy will check with Michelle Irvine again and see if copresenting with either Susan or Janis would change her mind.

Susan – co-presenter from HCL for decorations table.

Susan – Andrea will do guest presenters.

Susan – co-presenter of Storytime Spectacular from HCL

Nancy – food, checking if something other than bagels for breakfast.

*Kathy – room capacities at The Meeting Place.
Susan/Julie – paperwork for presenters?*

Blue Crab

Karen Hoffman will not be able to chair. Susan will check whether her supervisor will let her take it on – 6 meetings a year.

Julie will make a presentation re Blue Crab to WCFL's staff meeting.

To do: Susan – chairing Blue Crab.

Western MD Workshop

All set.

MLA Annual Conference

Kit will present, moderate and write up Karen Frank's presentation.

Julie will present the Blue Crab authors.

Susan will present, moderate and write up the schoolage/booktalking program.

The Perdue reception should go off as planned.

Topic of the Month

Janis will let us know what topic will be presented in June.

We will not be able to visit Rosedale on July 11 because of a schedule conflict for the Early Childhood Specialist. Kathy will check if she book us into New Carrollton on July 11 and Susan will invite Contobia Adams to come to follow up her teen presentation.

Upcoming meetings

Date	Location
<i>July 11</i>	<i>PGCMLS New Carrollton possible</i>
August 8	FCPL C Burr Artz
Sept 12	MCPL Davis
October	Fall Conference no meeting
<i>Nov 14</i>	<i>BCPL Rosedale note change</i>
Dec 12	EPFL Central
Jan 9	BCPL Randallstown
Feb 13	HCPL
March 13	HCL Savage
April 10	WCFL Hagerstown
May	Annual Conference no meeting
June 12	St Mary's Lexington Park

To do: Janis – topic at Lexington Park meeting.

Kathy – change date of New Carrollton meeting to July 11?

Other/New Business

Jan Viands mentioned an upcoming program done by Traveling Tails, Barry and Lori Penrod, 301 992-4128, lori@traveling_tails.com, State Line, PA. Program cost to WCML is \$700 for 8 locations. Snakes, reptiles, etc that the children can touch.

By Laws Julie will base the newest version on the undated Bylaws. She will add the Blue Crab committee under Article V. She will retype the bylaws so she has an electronic version to work on. Sophia will add Bylaws to the Agenda so the committee can approve the final version.

To do: Julie – changes to bylaws.

Sophia – bylaws to agenda.

Go Around

Betsy She brought in a copy of the Fairy Tale Gazette. This festival has grown so that it is not Betsy's sole operation. 187 people attended the ball at which Carla Hayden, the Queen, was trumpeted in; a group from Peabody played and many came in gowns.

Linda The Friends OTL have given a lot of money to support SRP programming.

Janis For the month of the Young Child, SM has had special programming for parents to help with early literacy. A 93 year old presenter brought in a long-haired dachshund and demonstrated obedience training and so on. The Kindred Spirits group is presenting their original play "Seussology".

Kit LBPH took part in the Fairy Tale Festival and enjoyed it. Kit will be presenting "More Than Special 2" on July 20 at LBPH. CEUs can be earned.

Kathy For National Library Week, PGCMLS employees have been dressing up as Dewey #s. They will be hosting a poetry slam.

Vera For National Library Week, Senator Klausmeyer will be attending a baby storytime.

Sharyn For National Library Week, a retired board member will be coming to a program to read some stories. Randallstown will have Talespinner and Kathleen Jacobs do programs. She was unhappy with Beastmaster who added a \$60 travel fee to the agreed on fee.

Nancy Salomein presented a hiphop program which did not draw a lot of people though everyone who went enjoyed it.

Susan Savage branch has an ongoing teen problem and the staff attended a workshop presented by The AfterSchool Institute (TASI) which seemed to be helpful. TASI will do some follow up in May.

Sally The Arbutus book cart drill team will be in a parade in Lansdowne on Saturday.

Irva Mary Downing Hahn had to cancel but Jerry Pinkney will come and over 60 people have signed up already.

Susie They are preparing to canvass the local elementary school for Summer Reading. An afterschool daycare comes to storytime which is good for attendance. Toddler time is very successful.

Linda The new Smithsburg branch will be 10 times larger. They expect to break ground in May and open in the fall.

Sophia A group wanted to bring children to a baby storytime and failed to understand that “up to 24 months” does not mean the same as “under 3”. If we can think of speakers, this may be a good future topic of the month.

Naomi Hagerstown’s Teen Loft has been open about 1 year. She will send out an email about an upcoming program that she wants to advertise.

Jan They are celebrating the 100 year anniversary of the bookmobile during National Library Week with cake.

Julie Waldenbooks wants to have a Harry Potter bash at C. Burr Artz to lead up to selling Harry Potter VI at midnight.

Next Meeting

June 13, 10 am – 12 pm, Saint Mary’s Co, Lexington Park

Agenda and Directions

Introductions

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Fall Conference

Blue Crab Award

Western Maryland Workshop

MLA Conference 2005/06

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Directions

Lexington Park Library

21677 FDR Blvd.

Lexington Park, MD 20653

301-863-8188

Located off Shangri-la Drive

Directions to the new Lexington Park Library at 21677 FDR Boulevard:

From Rt. 235, turn onto Great Mills Rd. opposite Gate 2 of Pax River NAS. Turn left at the first stop light. Stay in the right turn lane and follow it around to the right to the library. From Great Mills, turn onto Great Mills Road. Turn right on to Essex Drive. Turn left on South Shangri-La Drive. Library will be on the left. Parking is in the rear