

**CSD Minutes—April 20, 2009**  
**C. Burr Artz Library--Frederick County**

**Attendance**

Becky Lindberg, Betsy-Diamant-Cohen, Carol Dean, Catherine Hall, Chad Jones, Delia Ullberg, Eileen Kuhl, Janis Cooker, Julie Dietzel-Glair, Julie Ranelli, Karen Hoffman, Kathy Kirchoefer, Krista McKenzie, Nancy Feierstein, Naomi Butler, Robyn Lukow, Sharyn Yenzer, Sophia VanSchaick, Susan Modak

10:07—meeting called to order

**Introductions**

**Minutes**—corrections under KAC '09—Mark McKinney is from Carroll County; presenters listed were just a brainstorming list; Krista and Vera might model a book club, not a book talk. Minutes approved-Kathy moved, Sharyn seconded

**Executive Board Meeting**

Legislative updates and advocacy ideas; using Capwiz to contact your legislators.

**Blue Crab '08**

Susan has contacted Mr. Yee. The Blue Crab plaque is finished.

**Blue Crab '09**

Janis' committee is "well on their way"—down to 38 books. On May 22, members will send in their top choices. Janis has 7 plaques—natural shellac, not stained.

We still plan to give a plaque only to the winning author who attends MLA conference; other winners will receive certificates.

**Blue Crab '10**

Kit has had a very good response—11 people and one interested. The committee should have 10 members plus the chair; other people should be put on a waiting list.

They're meeting online through Wimba; they'll still earn CEUs.

**Western Conference—Frederick, MD—April 20, 2009**

Fifty-one people have registered for this afternoon's workshop. We'll stuff folders and rearrange the room into chairs at tables after lunch. Kathy K. will be in charge of the registration table.

## MLA Conference—May 13-15, 2009

We're all set--

Wednesday—pre-conference—Janet Lloyd—Bringing In Boys with Books (Robyn will introduce)

Thursday --

11:00-12:00—Blue Crab Award announcements and author Wong Herbert Yee (Susan will introduce)

Mr. Yee will sign books afterwards. [39 pre-registrations]

2:00-4:45—Alternative Baby Programs--Kate Rossini—Baby Yoga (Sharyn will introduce)

Eileen La Dino—Tiny Fingers (baby sign language)

[34 pre-registrations]

This session includes an ice cream break. ☺

Friday--9:15-1030—Kathy MacMillan—Box Full of Tales (Carol will introduce) [38 pre-registrations]

Susan will pick up Mr. Yee. CSD may take him out for dinner on Wednesday night.

If you can volunteer at the MLA registration table or the B&N book store on Wednesday from 9-11, please email Robyn.

## Kids Are Customers '09

Kids Are Customers will be at the Westminster Best Western on October 15, 2009. Registration deadline will be October 1. We decided early registration fees--\$80-members, \$120-non-members, \$68-students. Julie will ask Margaret if we can simply add a \$5.00 late fee to all the categories for registrations after October 1.

We've asked illustrator Henry Cole (*And Tango Makes Three*) to be our main speaker. Kathy Isaacs—Reading the World—current multi-cultural books-has also agreed to come.

Nancy Nuttle from Music Together is interested (Susan Modak)

Sidney McCoy from Frederick County may be able to talk about challenged materials—identifying them, and dealing with patrons (Robyn)

Sample schedule—

8:30-9:00 Registration and breakfast

9:00-9:15 Welcome

9:15-10:15 \*A/B sessions

10:20-10:50 Blue Crab

10:50-11:00 Break

11:00-12:00 Author

12:00-1:00 Lunch

1:00-1:45 \*A/B sessions

2:00-2:45 \*A/B sessions

3:00-4:00 Music Together

\*Possible pairs  
 Homeschooling/Censoring  
 Multicultural/Newbery Panel  
 Book Clubs/On-line Book Talking

If you are contacting a possible KAC presenter, please email Robyn before May 13:

Mark McKinney and supervisor, Jane Bitzal, (Carroll County)—homeschooling tips and ideas (Carol).  
 Nancy Nuttle—Music Together—parents are children’s first music teachers (Susan)  
 Jennifer Ralston (Harford County)—Newbery Award (Sophia)  
 Modeling a book club—Krista McKenzie and Vera Shade  
 Online book talking—Amanda (Caroline County)

Breakfast will include coffee, tea, Danish, yogurt, and bagels.

Lunch is “Build a Dagwood” sandwich with salad, cookie, and drink

### **Old Business**

**Blue Crab procedures**—we voted to change CSD procedures—appointing the chair before the January meeting, allowing members to serve on consecutive committees. Moved by Julie R., seconded by Kathy K.

### **Future CSD meetings**

We confirmed locations and topics for future CSD meetings—

June 8, 2009—Anne Arundel—West County—school age programs for boys and girls (Carol)  
 July 13, 2009—BCPL—Perry Hall—tour new “green” library (Nancy)  
 August 10, 2009—Howard County—Glenwood—school outreach (Irva)  
 September 14, 2009—PGMLS—New Carrollton—SRC wrap-up (Kathy)  
 October 15, 2009—Westminster Best Western—Kids Are Customers  
 November 9, 2009—Frederick—Thurmont—tour of Thurmont Library (Robyn)  
 December 14, 2009—Pratt—Southeast Anchor—members’ storytelling (Kit)  
 January 11, 2010—Caroline County—Denton—Eastern Shore Mini-Conference (snowdate-January 25)  
 February 8, 2010—Cecil County—Perryville—sharing resources on a shoestring (Diane)  
 March 8, 2010—Montgomery—Germantown—using volunteers (Susan)  
 April 21-23, 2010—MLA Conference  
 May 17, 2010—Western Maryland Mini-Conference

### **Go Round**

**Becky Lindberg**—Randallstown/BCPL—started a book club for teens; will have Karma Dogs every Saturday for 6 weeks.

**Betsy Diamant-Cohen**—Port Discovery—offering a full-day Mother Goose on the Loose workshop at Port Discovery on May 18—betsydc@gmail.com ; she and Saroj have written a book with developmental tip cards called “The Early Literacy Kit,” to be published by ALA in June; she will be editing a book on collaborative

partnerships in children's services for ALA-let her know if you would like to write about a partnership you've been in

**Carol Dean**—Anne Arundel County—Master Gardener's school age program—"Worm Your Way into Spring;" storytime attendance is growing; waiting for budget news in May; lots of branches doing craft activities for SRC kickoff events

**Catherine Hall**—Washington County—Garden Party at Boonsboro; making craft kits for Summer Reading Club prizes; planting sunflowers in paper pots for Earth Day; Anipalooza—2<sup>nd</sup> annual anime mini-conference on June 27

**Delia Ullberg**—Reston/Fairfax County—planning for summer; just finished series of science programs for 5-7 year-olds

**Eileen Kuhl**—White Marsh/BCPL—*multiple* weekly Baby Booster programs; planning to introduce more school age programs; BCPL is revamping Great Books.

**Janis Cooker**—St. Mary's County—Books Alive with very engaging Ginjer Clarke; state Head Start visit tomorrow; Heritage Festival on April 25—Cantare (bi-lingual music group), food, activities, food; teen programs—movie and game nights

**Julie Dietzel-Glair**—Pratt—over 600 people attended Fairy Tale Festival Extravaganza; partnering with Walters Art Museum—they created our early childhood area for Fairy Tale Festival and we'll help at their festival this weekend

**Julie Ranelli**—Queen Anne's County—received Picturing America/We the People grant to use this summer; storytimes and Mother Goose on the Loose programs continue; April school-age programs included weaving baskets with yarn and cardstock, Retro Gaming (board games) for Turn Off the TV Week, and a Lego Challenge with 48 attendees.

**Karen Hoffman**—Pikesville/BCPL—building on outreach to neighborhood schools

**Kathy Kirchoefer**—New Carrolltown/PGMLS—Dia de Los Ninos on April 30; planning for summer; Diane is back!

**Krista McKenzie**—Oakland/Ruth Enlow (Garrett County)—received "Picturing America" and "We, the People" grants; will be serving as Chair of YALSA Great Books Giveaway Committee; National Library Week- guest speakers who went to India, and well-attended mystery writing workshop presented by Susan Froetchel.

**Nancy Feierstein**—Randallstown/BCPL—successful teen programming; weekly Baby Boosters; offering additional storytimes to attract more customers and increase attendance; asked to take over Infants and Toddlers program.

**Naomi Butler**—Western Maryland Regional Library—Frostburg Children's Literature Festival is this Friday and Saturday; Jim Aylesworth is coming to Reading Day at Valley Mall on May 2; if BCPL no longer does Great Books, Jeff Ridgeway is interested in sponsoring a similar program in western Maryland

**Robyn Lukow**—C. Burr Artz/Frederick—great success starting Wiggle Giggle storytime for 2-5 year-olds—mixture of storytelling, circle games and props—average attendance of 80; started a Teens Readers Theater—6 participants write the script from scratch, to be performed at Book Fest on May 2.

**Sharyn Yenser**—Arbutus/Baltimore County—over 200 children came to the very successful Halethorpe School Night, with craft stations, rocket launching, and “Are You Smarter than a Fifth Grader;” library has been asked to double its storytimes; don’t use Ron Kiewe’s “Toons R Us” programs—convicted child molester.

**Sophia VanSchaick**—Bel Air/Harford County— so exciting being a discussion facilitator for Great Books; lots of April occasions—National Library Week, Poetry Month, Earth Day; *Down Girl and Sit* series mentions our Blue Crab award; Harford County is moving to floating collections

**Susan Modak**—Noyes Library for Young Children/Montgomery—ordered 95 books for giveaway through Scholastic Literary Partnerships (free shipping); giving away pencils, community coupon sheets and backpacks; giving SRC t-shirts to day care and Head Start; connecting with Moldovan children librarians

Respectfully submitted,  
Karen Hoffman

**Next meeting—June 8, 2009—West County Library/Anne Arundel County**