CSD Minutes—February 13, 2012
C. Burr Artz Library—Frederick County

Attendance

Introductions

Minutes—Eileen motioned, Peg seconded to approve the corrected January minutes [there was no Blue Crab ’13 meeting in January].

MLA Executive Board Meeting
Social media policy on MLA websites—remember you’re representing a major organization. We need an administrator for our CSD page. Eileen will ask Carol Dean if she’s interested. Eileen sent our Blue Crab by-law changes to MLA.

MLA Conference— May 9-11, 2012—Clarion Resort, Ocean City

Convention brochures have been sent out.

Pre-conference—Storytime Extravaganza—Amanda and Tess introduced by Eileen
Thursday—Mock Newbery presentation—Rachael Vilmar
--Blue Crab ’11 author—Lola Schaefer
Early Literacy—Dorothy Stoltz
Friday—National Children’s Museum—science, math, nature in crafts

We need crab items for CSD’s silent auction basket! So far—Janis-crab keychain, Irva-crab pot, Peg-crab mallets, Karen-Old Bay. Janis will ask Priscilla Cummings if she would donate a Chadwick book. Please send to Irva (irva.gabin@hclibrary.org) or bring to the March CSD meeting any items you’d like to donate (or money to buy items). [Ideas—apron, Chesapeake Bay mystery, puppet, cookbook, restaurant gift certificate, anything crabby. . . .]

Blue Crab ’11—Wanda Nelson
Author Lola Schaefer is set to come to MLA.

Blue Crab ’12—Tara Lebherz
The committee is about to choose their winners. They will make a brochure to give out at the Southern/Western Conferences (March/April).

Blue Crab ’13—Marisa Conner
The committee now has nine members, including three school librarians.
Blue Crab—mentor
We’re looking for someone to be a Blue Crab mentor/overseer—to guide the Blue Crab committees when they have questions and to coordinate Blue Crab Award publicity—a two year commitment.

Southern/Western Conference
Southern—March 12, 2012—Charlotte Hall Library/St. Mary’s County—12:30-4:00
Western—April 9, 2012—Urbana Library/Frederick County—1:00-4:15

The presenters from Carroll County will need a laptop and a projector. Janis will ask for them at Charlotte Hall; Tara will check at Urbana. They will not need any additional eBook readers.

Kim can pick up registration materials; there will be no handouts to put in folders.

Tara will bring Blue Crab brochures. Four different Blue Crab committee members will attend each mini-conference.

SMRLA will provide water and coffee at the Southern Conference; Susan will bring sugar, creamer, napkins, and plates. Tara will provide water and coffee for the Western Conference.

CSD members, please bring baked goods and snacks to share with the participants of both conferences.

Kids Are Customers—October 18, 2012

Program ideas—we’ll finalize at March meeting—possibly again creating two tracks—programming, reading

Health and wellness possible presenters--
Rebecca Sexton, a retired public health nurse, does programs in Howard County Library
rebecca.sexton@hclibrary.org
Delaware presenter—“5-2-1”—5 fruits and vegetables a day, 2 hours of play, 1 hour of TV
Mary Concannon—Maryland Cooperative Extension—presents storytimes for healthy eating
with a librarian partner. Susan will officially invite her.

Blue Crab author(s)
Julie Dietzel-Glair—demonstrating her interactive book
Upside Down Organization—Jack’s Brain-Jill’s Brain—How Gender Influences Learning and Behavior
Shout Out—favorite children’s nonfiction on healthy living—health, nutrition
B&T—publishers’ book presentation
RA—children’s nonfiction

Break

Old Business—
Future meetings have all been confirmed
June 11—Arbutus (BCPL)—tour of green building
July 9—Miller Library (Howard County)—tour of new building
August 13—Pikesville (BCPL)—positive parent handling
September 10—Lexington Park (St. Mary’s County)—summer wrap up
October—Kids Are Customers
November 5—Noyes Library for Young Children (Montgomery County)
December 10—Bel Air Library (Harford County)—storytelling
New Business

Spring newsletter is coming in April—SRC theme  Please send articles and ideas to Tara Lebherz by March 20.  

tlebherz@frederickcountymd.gov

Check out Pinterest—a new website offering the opportunity to create pictorial bulletin boards for your ideas and projects.

Nancy Haile and Eileen will be meeting next week to talk about Nancy’s proposed idea about a daylong conference based on Black Eyed Susan books—with three discussion groups and a speaker. The BES committee likes the idea.

Go Round

Heather Leonard—Severna Park/Anne Arundel County—great response from the library system and community supporting our brand new LEGO programs! Thanks to everyone for LEGO program ideas and photos.

Irva Gabin—East Columbia/Howard County—new Miller Branch opened in December—opening day door count over 7000, circulation over 10,000 items. Did presentations on how to read to young children to 160 high school students in Child Development classes. Kim Ha, Children’s Supervisor at Elkridge Branch, is retiring at the end of March—watch for her job to be advertised.

Janis Cooker—St. Mary’s County—a childcare provider training at each library, with revised Every Child Ready to Read—powerpoint and activities.

Julie Dietzel-Glair—her book, Books in Motion, has an ISBN #—the publishing process is moving ahead! Enoch Pratt hired her to do three storytelling programs for the Fairy Tale Festival in April.

Karen Hoffman—Pikesville—has American Sign Language interns at one preschool story time a month. (Free partnership with Hearing and Speech Agency of Baltimore)  

http://www.hasa.org/

Kim Preis—Arbutus/Baltimore County—Black History Month scavenger hunt which includes famous African Americans buried in the historic cemetery next door to the library.

Marisa Conner—Youth Services/Baltimore County—partnered with local high school Spanish teacher and coordinator of Spanish Honor Society—2-3 members of the Honor Society to do a once a month Saturday bilingual story time and craft—teaching basic Spanish—colors, numbers, etc. Teachers work with students to prepare programs and attend with them.

Michelle Twigg—New Carrollton/Prince George’s County—New Carrollton is soon going to have a small early literacy center in a section of the children’s room (things for children to do with their parents).

Naomi Butler—Western Maryland Libraries—excellent Baker and Taylor conference—publishers presented lists of new books. Look into the Bureau of Education Research—expensive but well worthwhile. SoMIRAC—State of Maryland International Reading Association Council—great conferences—lots of authors and vendors  

www.somirac.org
Sophia VanSchaick—Bel Air/Harford County—Early Literacy Center is moving forward. Puppy Tales--set of storytimes is planned for April.

Susan Modak—Noyes Library for Young Children/Montgomery—Noyes is doing 5+ programs a month. Lori Guenther from Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped is coming to present Mother Goose on the Loose.

Tara Lebherz—Brunswick/Frederick County—made a milk jug igloo—7’ in diameter with gallon jugs and hot glue gun (found directions online). Each regional library has a tech bar—a table with 3 tablets and 2 e-readers for customers to experiment with.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Hoffman

Next meeting—March 12, 2012—Charlotte Hall Library/St. Mary’s County, followed by Southern Mini-Conference—“Picture This”