Meeting Minutes, Feb 12, 2018  
Children’s Services Division, Maryland Library Association  
Deale Library, & online via Google Hangouts: https://goo.gl/t6Gi3d

- Introductions
- Approval of minutes
- President’s Report via email (Conni was home sick):
  
I do not have an update from the MLA Exec Board Meeting since I was unable to attend due to the weather reschedule.

Margaret called for a vote separate from the exec board meeting, asking if we’d opt for staying at the new MLA Annual location through 2020 because they offered us a discount if we signed on now through then. I voted yes and it sounds like it was a yes vote from many others as well.

Southern is next month - hooray! I will be in touch with the presenters and Sarah Guy to make sure everything is ready to go. I feel like a total failure CSD officer because I've missed this meeting, cancelled the last meeting, and now am telling you that I likely cannot be at Southern. There is another training happening in Harford County that day that I don't think I can miss. So sorry! I will update you all when I know more.

Linda Zuckerman, the LATI coordinator, has asked CSD to create a 10 minute or less video about reference work with children. She and I met in early January and discussed what exactly she needs. At our last meeting in December, we had brainstormed a lot of valuable ideas for training new librarians around children’s services. However, what Linda is looking for is the following categories:

- Approachability
- Interest
- Listening/Inquiring
- Searching/Teaching
- Follow-Up

These are the categories used with all reference training. Linda's thought is we will take those categories and apply them directly to children. For example, for approachability we might show the importance of getting down on the child's level or starting the conversation for a child who is shy about coming to the librarian's desk.

If each of us could take one or two of these categories (depending on the interest) and commit to filming a 2 minute or less video by the end of March/early April, I can edit them all together and get them to Linda by the end of April deadline.

  - Action Item for Jill- email membership & ask for volunteers to make video clips of the 5 categories above

- Program Planning
  
  - Winter Webinar- tabled this plan until next fall or winter
  - Southern/Western- all preparations are complete, we are good to go.
  - MLA Annual- No report
  - Kids Are Customers 2018- Tentative Oct 18
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- Carrie has 12 different mini presentations on teen programs from around the state lined up for the YALSA Teen Institute, and some of these speakers would likely be willing to speak at KAC if more teen breakouts needed
- Need to start confirming presentations, and book Owings Mills Library
  - B.E.S.T.- no report or action this month

- Blue Crab Committee Update
  - Actions- put out feelers for next year’s committee NOW
  - Jill- check in with committee on status & start notifying winners

- Old Business
  - Social Media- Keep liking & sharing on our page and group!
  - Newsletter- next issue is April, submit items by March 15

- Action item follow-up- anything not covered so far
  - Carrie will ask YS Coordinators about interest in the full-day Ready at Five Learning Parties training, and also about interest in a follow-on training on how to adapt the Learning Parties for public library settings.

- New Business- none

- Monthly Sharing Topic- Debate: Storytime Themes or No Themes? Also, share ideas from your summer reading 2018 plans.
  - Choose next month’s sharing topic!

- Go ‘Round- Share anything of interest from your library’s youth-services department

- Next Meeting is March 12 at Waldorf West Library, followed by the Southern Conference in the afternoon.
  - Snack-bringers- Jill H.
Action items to review:

- Jill - Set up LSC Journal Club virtual chapter - not done
- Jill - Set up winter webinar - Not done
  - Finalize details w/ Marge
  - Write & submit PAF
  - Send out save the date & registration info on all channels
  - Advertise to surrounding states & DC
- Jill - send blue crab committee updates to MLA Webmaster - not done
- Conni - check in with Eileen if she still wants to continue being the chair of BEST. Idea: suggest having a co-chair so that other people can learn how to organize this conference, in case Eileen should step down in the future.
- Conni - ask MLA if we can manage our own division website as a Google Site, and just link to it from the MLA site.
- Conni - ask Carrie Sanders to ask YS Coordinators if there is interest in a Learning Parties training. - Not done, but discussed at today’s meeting
- Conni - Send out “save the date” info as for Southern/Western as soon as possible, and especially get the info to the Western MD libraries to encourage them to send as many people as they can.
- Conni - send feedback from KAC re: Lori DeSautels’ sessions to Carrie Sanders
- Officers - schedule FB posts on advocacy opportunities as they come up, & highlighting past Blue Crab books