CSD Minutes—April 11, 2011
Urbana Library

Attendance

Introductions

Minutes—Elisabeth moved and Tara seconded to approve the February minutes.

MLA Executive Board Meeting
MLA is examining their website; our CSD page is great!

Blue Crab ’10—Kit
All CSD members are invited to join the committee as they take Blue Crab Award winner, Lori Ries, her husband, and daughter out to dinner at Jules Restaurant on Wednesday night, May 4, at 7:00 PM. Please contact Kit Bloom kbloom@prattlibrary.org by April 20 if you are able to come!

Blue Crab ’11—Wanda Nelson’s committee has chosen one award winner, one honor book, and two notable books for each Blue Crab Award category. The committee is working on annotations; Rachel is creating the brochure; Amanda is creating a power point presentation for KAC; Kathleen will narrate.

Blue Crab ’12—Tara Lebherz
Two people have dropped off Tara’s committee; she needs to add at least one more member.

Blue Crab Guidelines
Tara, Susan M, and Wanda are updating the Blue Crab procedures document. They’ll email it to CSD for approval.

Eastern Conference—Mock Newbery--
Don’t forget to look at Rachael Vilmar’s Mock Newbery website for book suggestions and more--https://sites.google.com/site/marylandmocknewbery/

Southern/Western Conference
Southern—March 14, 2011—Charlotte Hall Library/St. Mary’s County
Western—April 11, 2011—Urbana Library/Frederick County

Many, many thanks to Amanda Ellington, Catherine DeCristofaro, Jill Hutchinson, and Tess Goldwasser who are not only presenting large group storytimes and LEGO programs today, but also puppets, since Rose Armentrout could not be here! Forty-two people are registered.
MLA Conference— May 4-6, 2011—Clarion Resort, Ocean City
The convention brochure is now online— http://www.mdlib.org/conference/docs/program.pdf

Wednesday, May 4—Pre-conference—Bringing Books to Life

9:00—Daryl Cobb (vibrant speaker from MASL Conference)—2 hours, then ½ hour with children present
   Eileen will introduce; they are looking for group of children

Afternoon—Betsy Diamant-Cohen and Selma Levi—book talking bonanza - 1½ hour  Eileen will introduce
   BCPL “genre book camp”—Eileen Kuhl, Ashley Rogers, Jackie Greenberg—reader’s advisory
   session about children’s humorous books—presentation of three titles, followed by
   breakout discussions— Kit will introduce

Thursday, May 5—

11:00—Good Dog, Aggie—Blue Crab author, Lori Ries  Kit will introduce
11:00—Just the Facts—National Children’s Museum (Wendy and Debby) —new nonfiction titles and how to
   use them in programming  Eileen will introduce
11:00—Great Government Websites for Kids—(CSD co-sponsoring with Government Information Group)
   GIG will introduce
2:00—Shake, Rattle and Play—Active Learning Centers (Amanda Ellington) and Early Literacy Centers
   (Marisa Conner)  Susan M. will introduce

Friday, May 6—

9:15—Yikes, Where Is It?—Organization Skills (Debbie Bowden) —organizing storytime props, emails,
   conference notes  Carol will introduce.

Kit will pick up the MLA materials to bring to the conference.
Eileen will pick up the preconference packet.
Our CSD silent auction basket has lots of lovely, fun chicken items. Someone needs to make a sign describing
them.
Go to http://www.mdlib.org/conference/forms.asp time to volunteer at the registration table and book table.

Kids Are Customers—2011
October 20, 2011--Westminster Best Western

Sessions so far—
   __Susan Stockdale—nonfiction writer/illustrator (Fabulous Fishes)
   __Melissa Thomson—2009 Blue Crab Award winner (Keena Ford)
   __Lisa Davis—Howard County Early Childhood Education—how library programs fit into Maryland Model for
   School Readiness
   __Tamara Nuttle—easy great recycled crafts
   __Tess Goldwasser—blog in St. Mary’s County—new children’s books
   __SLRC training—“I Don’t Have Anything Good to Read”
   __Susan Modak—“Shout Out” nonfiction, science, and math books
Eileen will write program approval form—one or two goals for each session.
Tara will pick up books to sell from Barnes and Noble.
Elisabeth will arrange volunteers to man the book table.

**Break**

**Old Business**

**Newsletter**—
Susan Modak, Sophia, and Tara have finished a fabulous **second** CSD newsletter!
Read it on our MLA website.  [http://www.mdlib.org/divisions/csd/default.asp](http://www.mdlib.org/divisions/csd/default.asp)

**New Business**

May we use photos on Facebook?  --yes, w/o tagging.

**Go Round**

**Abigail Andrews**—North Pointe/Washington County—Dr. Seusss birthday party with 30 children, staff dressed up like Thing 1 and Thing 2.  Sixth year birthday party for Remington (Remy), the branch goldfish.  Regular infant, toddler and preschool storytimes.

**Carol Dean**—West County/Anne Arundel—story times and school tours.  *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* program—15-20 children.  Mother/daughter book club.  County budget comes out on April 15.

**Eileen Kuhl**—White Marsh/Baltimore County—baby and preschool programs, school tours.  Scavenger hunt on The Avenue for SRC—merchants are donating prizes.  Moving to Parkville Library on April 25.

**Elisabeth Proffen**—Central /Howard County—Central Library doing extra outreach for National Library Week.  Spring break “classes”—Wimpy Kid and Fancy Nancy.  Howard County Battle of the Books April 8—90 teams of fifth graders who read the same books and answer questions—also awards for costumes, team name, team spirit, and civility.  Bill from Caitlin Dunbar Nature Center does free animal programs.

**Irva Nachlas-Gabin**—Howard County—300-500 families attended Children’s Discovery Fair.  Professional Development Day—Tuesday, May 3.  Sumner Reading kick-off—June 4—with Critter Caravan and Mike Rose.

**Karen Dull and Bethany Vangrin**—Joppa/Harford County—middle school Spring Fling—crafts, cupcake decorating.  Family programs seem more popular than children’s.

**Karen Hoffman**—Pikesville/Baltimore County—second LEGO program a success, more branches are starting to schedule LEGO programs.  Another local school student artwork display in the branch.

**Kim Preis**—Arbutus/Baltimore County—planning two LEGO programs.

**Kit Bloom**—Southeast Anchor Branch/Pratt—Fairy Tale Festival—staff sharing stories at other branches; schools sending classes to library.  Dia de Los Ninos—Luis Garay percussion.  Southeast’s 4th birthday!  Summer Reading—2 performers at each branch.
Michelle Twigg—Bladensburg/Prince George’s County—storytime for children of teens in local high school.

Naomi Butler—Western Maryland Regional Library—working with 3 counties to expand teen services. Recommends three good conferences—Enoch Pratt Conference—excellent storytelling and teen sessions; Western Maryland Regional Conference; SoMIRAC Reading Teachers’ Conference in Hunt Valley.

Peg Pond—Carroll County—set up booths at mall and hospital for Children’s Day. Hugely successful Mother Goose (Vermont Center of the Book). Preparing 13 virtual ready-at-hand school age storytimes based on different countries—filed on wiki with booklists, resources, craft and activity sheets, snack ideas.

Sophia VanSchaick—Bel Air/Harford County—exploring new software-Collection HQ-in Beginning Readers. Staff gathering materials native to different countries for displays, programs, and storytimes. School tours.

Susan Modak—Noyes Library for Young Children/Montgomery—Montgomery County is having SRC this year! Using Evanced log-in. LSTA grant with teen moms in Gaithersburg.

Tara Lebherz—Brunswick/Frederick County—Brunswick Library grand opening April 16—lots of kids programs—recycled art, plant-a-seed, Critter Caravan. Fourth annual spelling bee—just finished 2nd qualifying bee, 25 going to finals.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Hoffman

Next meeting—June 13, 2011—Pikesville Library/Baltimore County

Topic of the month—Younger Elementary Book Clubs