CSD Minutes—June 11, 2012
Arbutus Library, Baltimore County

Attendance

Introductions

Minutes—April minutes were approved.

MLA Conference—evaluations
Our workshops received good marks—especially for the Storytime Extravaganza pre-conference, Dorothy Stoltz’ early literacy, and the National Children’s Museum craft workshop.
Ideas for next year’s sessions—implementation of every Child Ready to Read, songs to use in storytimes, eReaders for children.

Blue Crab ’13—Marisa Conner
They have a full committee, including three public school librarians and Stephanie Shauck. First meeting will be June 27. Susan will ask if Marisa can ask Baker and Taylor for suitable books to review.

Blue Crab—mentor
To empower Blue Crab committees to not start from scratch every year, former committee chairs can serve as a Blue Crab mentors with a one year term. They’ll field questions, send reminders about schedule progress, and consider ideas for more Blue Crab publicity.
Janis Cooker has volunteered to be this year’s Blue Crab mentor!

Black Eyed Susan Tapestry—September 29, 2012
CSD and the Black Eyed Susan Committee will be co-hosting a first-ever Black Eyed Susan workshop at Carroll Community College from 9-3:30 on Saturday, September 29. (Thank you Eileen Kuhl and Nancy Haile!) Cost will be $60 with 5.5 CEUs. The college caterer will provide bag lunches. It will be publicized in The Crab; Tara will highlight it in the CSD newsletter; Carol will post it on the CSD Facebook page.
It will include an overview of the Black Eyed Susan selection process and discussion groups for each of the reading levels (every participant will choose three groups).

Black Eyed Susan overview
Discussion group
Discussion group
Lunch
Rachel and Sam overview
Discussion group
Ideas how to use BES in your library
Kids Are Customers—October 18, 2012
We’re negotiating with MLA about Blue Crab author expenses.

Program outline draft—
9:00--9:10 Welcome
9:15--10:15 Health I--Mary Concannon (Maryland Cooperative Extension)—presents story times for healthy eating with Cindy Farmarco (BCPL).

Time to stretch
10:15--11:15 Health II- Rebecca Sexton, a retired public health nurse who does health programs in Howard County Library (e.g. germs)
11:15--11:30 Break
11:30--12:30 Blue Crab Author
12:30--1:30 Lunch (poster sessions, book table)
1:30--2:15 Julie Dietzel-Glair - demonstrates her interactive book
2:20--4:00 Baker and Taylor - publishers’ book presentation—Eileen will contact
4:00--4:15 Closing

Shout Out?—favorite children’s nonfiction on healthy living—health, nutrition

Tara will contact B&N again for the book table.

Poster sessions (on science project boards)—
Howard County—Miller Library pizza garden - Karen asked Irva
Harford County—Puppy Tales - Sophia
St. Mary’s County—healthy eating – Janis will find someone
Frederick County—Kids in Motion - Lisa
Baltimore County—ASL interns - Karen
Carroll County—limiting screen time for children - Peg
Would Small Smiles like to do a poster about dental health?

Mock Newbery—Monday, January 14, 2013 (snow date - Tuesday, January 22, 2013)
A MLA committee is reviewing program CEUs. There may be possible changes to the Mock Newbery cost and CEUs.
Enjoy the Mock Newbery blog all year-- “For Those About to Mock” -- http://abouttomock.blogspot.com/

Southern/Western Conferences—tentative dates and times
Southern—March 11, 2013—Charlotte Hall Library/St. Mary’s County—12:30-4:00
Western—April 8, 2013—Thurmont Library/Frederick County—1:00-4:15

Workshop ideas—storytime singing, ukuleles, relationships with early childhood providers, ideas from MLA evaluations

Break

Old Business
None
New Business
From MLA Leadership Day—
--Library advocacy—do contact your lawmakers if you get a nudge from marylib. Your input is valuable!
--Bob Kuntz, MLA webmaster, asks to receive info from only one person per division. For now, please send information to be posted to CSD Secretary, Karen Hoffman -- khoffman@bcpl.net

CSD newsletter—please send articles to Tara Lebherz by June 22— tlebherz@frederickcountymd.gov

Megan Sackett Menon — msackett@bcpl.net is reviewing books for a reader’s advisory blog and would love to hear about your favorite new children’s books.

Go Round


Eileen Kuhl –Parkville/Baltimore County—resuming pajama storytimes.

Heather Leonard Johnson—Severna Park/Anne Arundel County—SRC registration began June 4; kick-off next week; performers throughout the summer. August—Paper Airplane Extravaganza, Back-to-School craft programs, LEGOS, Ready, Set. . . Kindergarten!

Irva Gabin—Miller/Howard County—Summer Reading Celebration at new Miller Branch—Bubble Lady, crafts, face-painting, gardening activities—3000 people, 800 registered for SRC. June 16—Bookapalooza at Central—sixteen children’s authors (Katherine Paterson, Mary Downing Hahn, Michael Buckley. . .). Funding approved for Teen Tech center at Savage branch—provides place for teens to hang out (“geek- out”)—training with digital cameras, video, music. East Columbia just hired new Teen Specialist.

Janis Cooker—St. Mary’s County— doing online SRC registration—the first week 274 out of 1074 registered online. They can also print their game boards online. Planning a stuffed animal sleepover—children leave their stuffed animals at the library overnight and pick them up in the morning. Imaginative librarians will photograph the animals enjoying the library and post a slide show of their activities. :) Planning for crowd control at Cosmic Adventures traveling planetarium program on July 12. Hosting Read, Learn, Grow –ten stations of science fun to enjoy with your child.

Julie Dietzel- Glair—her book Books in Motion has a November release date. She’s doing book discussion and children’s literature training for non-children’s librarians at Pratt this fall.

Karen Hoffman—Pikesville/Baltimore County—children delighted by B & O Museum program—Choo Choo Blue.

Kim Preis—Arbutus/Baltimore County—hosted” Star Wars at Your Branch”—books, games and crafts for families, highlighted by the “501st”—group of volunteers that dress and act as characters from Star Wars.
Lisa Jarrett – Library on the Go/Baltimore County—emailed star templates to preschool caregivers; 200+ were returned and used to decorate the bookmobile. This month’s popular book—*I Dream of an Elephant* by Ami Rubinger.

Marisa Conner—Youth Services/Baltimore County—Baltimore County schools really behind SRC on-line registration. Children will be allowed to check out school library books over the summer. BCPL’s storytime blog “Story Times and More” is now public—blogs.bcpl.info/youthserv/

Megan Sackett Menon—Cockeysville/Baltimore County—SRC kick-off with Mike Rose. Writing reviews of children’s books for BCPL’s new RA blog—Between the Covers - http://www.bcpl.info/between-the-covers

Susan Modak—Noyes Library for Young Children/Montgomery—budget increase this year for staff, materials, and hours. SRC online and paper registration; programs in every branch. Ukulele Play and Sing programs at Noyes.

Tara Lebherz—Thurmont/Frederick County—now Children’s Supervisor in northern county; working to build connections with the community to improve program attendance. Hosting a “Nighttime Nature on the Deck” series on their lovely outside deck.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Hoffman

Next meeting—July 9, 2012—Miller Library, Howard County,