Maryland Library Association  
Support Staff Division  
10/7/2021-Virtual Meeting

In Attendance: Teonja Jung (President), Chelsea Shockley (Vice-President/President Elect), Gabriel Jones (Secretary), Amy Moser, Nicole McLain, Robin Soma-Dudley, Moneik Frazier, Lou Sicca.

Executive Board Meeting-Chelsea

- There are 22 applicants for the Executive Director search. The interviews were held early October.
- There’s been a clarification with the Black Caucus, it cannot have an executive board, only an executive committee. The vote will be resent out via email.
- There will be some ledger changes (not the money, but the line description).
- November meeting may be held in person, but a hybrid option will be offered.
- Revising MLLI (Maryland Library Leadership Institute) 2023
- Reviving Everyone Leads/Train the Trainer
- Legislative update: Working with MAPLA for grants
- Conference Committee is finalizing the theme and keynote speakers for conference
- Unit Reports: One program throughout the year, want to make sure they are not all planned around the same time.
- Intellectual Freedom
  - Banned Books week
  - Trivia with LDD
- ACRL (Academic & Research Libraries)
  - 1/11 Program on open education resources
  - Podcast club
  - Sponsor 1 division social event (day outside/hike)
- PSD (Public Services Division)
  - Standalone programs on platforms (Zoom/Discord)
  - Unconference during conference
  - Encourage more participants/leadership roles
- CSD (Children’s Services Division)
  - Blue Crab Young Reader Award committee
  - 3 standalone programs
  - Hybrid programming
- LDD (Leadership Development Division)
  - Microagressions
  - Diversifying the profession
  - Leading with Anxiety- Ashley Biggs, MD State Library for the Blind and Print Disabled
- Membership Committee
  - Path forward
  - Engaging existing members
  - Decreasing barriers to membership
d. 5 year plan

- MSL
  a. Distributed $3 million in awards
  b. Can email Tamar if we want programs shared through MSL digest

- GIIG (Government Information Interest Group)
  a. Rebuilding, may bring back greatest hits program

- RAIG (Reader’s Advisory)
  a. TikTok for Reader’s Advisory

- TIG (Teen)
  a. Brown bag on Discord

**Conference Committee Meeting-Chelsea**

- Final day for program proposals 10/15/21
- Received 30 programs for conference: 21 are 1-hour, 4 are 2-hours, 2 pre-conference and 3 ignite sessions.
- SSD is cosponsoring with Children’s services
- Theme will be finalized by 10/24
- The themes are:
  a. Come As You Are
  b. Come Together
  c. Finding the Joy
  d. No Theme

- Social Committee
  a. Working on a happy hour with a game night, pub quiz, karaoke, scavenger hunt, and possibly some therapy animal activity
  b. VR/AR booth
  c. Positive post-it wall
  d. Morning yoga
  e. They’re looking for additional members, please contact Jene jejohnson@bcpl.net and Lisa lallgeier@bcpl.net.

- Conference Website
  a. Cleaning site up with fonts and images added, will add hotel pictures
  b. Kelsey will make a graphic for promoting the conference
  c. Website will only archive three years of information
  d. Still narrowing down options for Keynote speakers
  e. A site visit is scheduled for November 17, 2021

**Program Planning for Conference-Teonja**

- Let’s Talk about Stuff panel discussion (collaboration relations, cool things happening in our library system: branded coffee, ice cream)

**Standalone Programming Spring 2022-Teonja**

- Grant Seeking-Grant Writing
  a. Possibly will be a 2-hour program
b. Mary Ellen Mitchell to be a possible presenter

**Executive Director Search-Teonja**

- Interviewed 6 people
- There will be a meeting scheduled to discuss candidates and to make a selection

**Officers for Next Term-Teonja**

- Gabriel Jones for Secretary
- Teonja Jung for Vice President/President elect

**Social Media Metrics Report-Gabriel**

- September Stats:
  a. 8 page views
  b. Average reach per post: 77
  c. Average engagement per post: 21
- **Top Posts:**
  a. Renovated Reisterstown Branch Library Reopens
  b. BCPL Social Worker

**December Meeting-Teonja**

- Teonja will send out an email on our preference to meet in person or virtual for the December meeting
- December meeting will be held December 2

**FYI**

- Amy will do our MLA basket

Submitted by,

Gabriel Jones