Technical Services Division Meeting Minutes for Monday, February 10, 2014

Executive Board Meeting:

The executive board is currently updating the strategic plan for MLA. They are also examining next year’s budget. TSD is currently at 75% of its projected need and will have to take in another $500.00 to meet its goals, which is a good position at this time.

MLA Conference Committee:

Conference is scheduled for May 7th – 9th at the Clarion Hotel in Ocean City, MD.

One more form is needed for a speaker before all paperwork for TSD sponsored programs paperwork is completed. There is a question as to who would be willing to introduce speakers and help to hand out C.E. forms. Several committee members offered to assist Martha Zimmerman. If anyone else will be at the conference and willing to help, please email Martha.

There will be a division dinner Wednesday, May 7th. The conference director will send out invitations with an RSVP. The restaurant will be within walking distance of the Clarion Hotel and will be announced closer to the conference date.

The TSD RDA program will be recorded and archived on the MLA Conference website.

Program Updates:

TSD is offering a program “Social Media 101: Learning the Basics about Social Media Use and Engagement” with speaker Susan Schauer John. The program will be held at Anne Arunel Public Libraries on Friday, April 11th from 1-4. Cost of this program is $30.00 for members, $45.00 for non-members, and $25.00 for students. This program will give an overview of current social media, how to effectively use it and offer a glimpse into the possible future of the medium. The speaker fee for this program is $300.00 and can be cancelled if the turnout is low.

Discussion Updates:

Collection Development Round Table Discussion is set for February 28th from 10-12 at Goucher College. Maggie advised that there are 13 attendees and roughly half are TSD committee members. Martha will be assisting Maggie in the discussion. The notice of this discussion was sent out via Facebook, Twitter and Marylib.

Open Discussion:
Crab Submission: Ideas are needed for the Crab. Submissions are due by March 5th. Anyone with ideas is welcome and encouraged to contact Martha. Mary Elizabeth volunteered to write an article for this quarter.

Martha proposed an idea of a Mini E-resources Boot Camp Program, in which four speakers would talk on and array of e-resources. Open questions would be held at the end of the presentation. It will be held at UMBC. The proposed program would encompass a half day or about 5 hours and is projected to be held in early August. Most speakers from the boot camp would be from the North American Serials Interest Group. The question was raised if TSD could partner with NASIG. Jessica advised that TSD could try, but problems often arise with CEUs and general paperwork.

Mary Elizabeth offered a tour of the new University of Baltimore Law Library to be tied to a discussion to be held in July or August. Ideas for the discussion included “Making Use of Space in a Technical Services Department”. Missy and Mary Elizabeth volunteered to work further on the discussion topic for this roundtable.

Library Updates:

Missy advised that her library is overhauling their liason program to the faculty. This included interviewing over fifty faculty members regarding what liked and did not like about communication liaisons. Their recommendations are currently awaiting approval. Jessica asked if it would be possible to write a future Crab article about her processing. Missy said she would be willing to do something in the fall.