PLS minutes 2019-02-08

Attendees:

Jason Rogers, Sandra Lovely, Decca Slaughter, Jeffrey Hamilton, Joan Sheriff, Elizabeth Skinner, Laura Highfill, Lindsey Shuford, Nora Armstrong, Rachel Webb, Marian Lytle

Online: JoinMe State Library online platform

Executive Board Meeting Report: Sandra Lovely

1. Finance Report reviewed, budget approved
2. Kim Parrott is leaving. Last day March 31st
3. Amigos contract service for Administrative Services is being considered to replace Kim’s position. Trying to find different avenues to outsource functions
4. Wild Apricot was shared with the Executive Board. It will be live April 1, 2019
5. Motion made to accept Theme of Conference. (and passed)
   1. Libraries: Spaces to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
6. LSTA Grants available and LOI is Feb 15 and deadline is Feb 28
7. Motion for Librarians Building Communities: partnering with Community Backpacks Group in Forsyth County. Hoping to raise ~$7,000 during the conference to pack the backpacks.
8. Government and Heritage Librarian position open (Director)
9. Library of the Blind now lending portable Braille Readers
10. SELA wants to partner for the 2021 NCLA Conference (SouthEast Library Association)
11. Conference will be paperless this year! Using SCHED software
12. Joel Ferndon wants submissions for the newsletter
13. ALA Council Lynda Kellum is leaving. If you are interested in that position let Lorrie Russel at HP Public know.

Section Reports:

Please send meeting notes and any changes in personnel to Martha Sink.

Director’s Reports: No reports

Adult Services: No report

Customer Service: No report

Marketing: No report

Awards: No report

YSS: YSS Retreat was very successful. Most of the work into the conference. Great partnership opportunities upcoming.

Leadership Institute: 24 participants, 5 mentors. Based on Emotional Intelligence and Leadership skills. Went really well. Participants will share at conference.

Conference:

Guaranteed 5 events, 1 Wine & Cheese, 1 Pre-Conference

Pre-Conference Session was approved.

De-Escalation Techniques with Agitated, Unpredictable and Developmentally Challenged Patrons

Presenter: Cindy Edwards, Licensed Family Therapist

Cost $25 per person

Minimum 15 ppl, Maximum 40 ppl Half Day Workshop

William Roberts Award:

Mary McAffe will come back to the awards committee. If anyone you know wants to be a part of the awards committee please reach out to Elizabeth Skinner in Forsyth County Public Library

Wine & Cheese

PLS, YSS, REMCo partnership voted on and approved

Conference Sessions approved:

1. Panel Discussion – One Service Desk: The trend towards combining reference in branches and Main Libraries (Circulation and Customer Services)
2. Escape Rooms – How to plan and execute them in a library Settling (Adult Services)
3. The Importance of Hello: How to improve customer service and safety in the Library (Circulation and Customer Services)
4. Marketing You and Your Library with Outreach (marketing)
5. You Want me to Write That?! Creative Writing (Marketing)

Homelessness and libraries will be incorporated into #3, the Importance of Hello

Innovation for staff members WCPL ELF : suggested to partner with LLAMS and doing a co-sponsorship

YSS Conference information:

Diversity in Storytime – Sophie Kenney

YALSA – Competencies for Service Staff

YALSA – Competencies for NON-Service Staff

Partnership World Café with NCSLMA and YSS and PLS. No cost, only for marketing/in-kind work (voted and approved)

Luncheon Partnership with YA Author YSS – luncheon - $500

2 votes: Partnering (passed)

Spending up to $500 for YA Author (Passed)

Approved Elizabeth Cramer program with Libraries partnering with Tourism. Will send in with proposals. Exercise, physical activity big draws. Put into General Call for Proposals.

Lauren Menges wants to have a program on how librarians interact with politicians, local governments, and local officials. Should be partnered with NCPLDA and their “So You Want to be a Library Director” program instead. Or possibly LLAMS. Send to Ross Holt, Library Director in Randolph County and Jennifer Sackett Director at Lincoln County. Possibly Anthony Chow @ UNCG.

Next meeting date:

Friday, May 10, 2019 online @ 10:30 am

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