

NCLA REMCo
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, September 14, 2016

- **Attendees**

Shamella Cromartie, Jewel Davis, Forrest Foster, Gerald Holmes, Iyanna Sims

- **Call to order**

The meeting was called to order at 2:00pm.

- **Agenda Topics**

- I. **REMCo Newsletter**

Shamella provided a status update on the REMCo newsletter. The newsletter is slated to be published on the ISSU platform on September 30, 2016. Jewel has sent a call for submission to REMCo members. So far, articles confirmed for the newsletter: welcome from Shamella as chair of REMCo, article from Linwood Webster (speaker for October 14th program), treasury report from Iyanna, and an article discussing mentoring from Sherwin Rice.

- II. **Membership Drive/Incentives to Joining**

REMCo currently has 38 members. The goal is to have 50 members. The ideas to increase membership and reach the goal were to offer more programming and go to library schools and speak with students about REMCo. In reaching out to library school students, it was proposed to develop a scholarship program that support conference attendance. The scholarship program would include essay contests for conference scholarships. In developing this scholarship program, possible sponsors will be identified to support the program.

- III. **October 14th Program**

Planning for the program, “Recruiting Underrepresented Populations to the Library Profession – Next Steps”, is going well. Save the date email went out via Kim Parrot on the NCLA listserv. The program will include two panels. One panel will discuss why students chose librarianship. The second panel will be comprised of experienced librarians

- I. **Next Program**

Jewel will be representing REMCo at the NCLA board retreat on Thursday and Friday in Blue Ridge. Jewel will be sharing information about successful programs – RoadBuilder’s Award and Luncheon – as a part of a showcase.

II. Newsletter

The new date for the newsletter to be published is May 15, 2016.

III. Other Business

REMCo Logo - Shamella proposed changing the REMCo logo. There was an idea to ask graduate students and student groups to design a new logo in the fall as a competition.

Exploratory Committee for REMCo Scholarship – Shamella is forming a committee to explore the possibility of REMCo offering a scholarship to a library school student. Forming the committee does not require a motion. She has a committee of five so far. Forrest is interested in serving on the committee.

There were ideas mentioned for possible scholarship fundraising events – annual scholarship social event, an evening activity at conference, civil right museum tours, and an event at Stone Center in Chapel Hill.

Shamella hopes to have the committee and scholarship guidelines in place by fall.

IV. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:36pm.

Minutes submitted by Iyanna Sims