

NJLA
Diversity & Outreach Meeting
Thursday, October 26th, 2023 via Zoom
11:00am

Meeting Start: 11:08am

Attendees: Carina Gonzalez, Rachel Talbert, Laura Giacobbe, Jeff Cupo, Tanya Finney Estrada, Christina Campbell, Liz Sann, Joyce De Stasio, Danielle Pitter, Stephen Felle, Sharon Owens, Lorraine Ruiz

Approve September minutes - motion by Carina Gonzalez seconded by Jeff Cupo

Welcome /Introductions

Member Updates

- NJLA Office now has 3 Full Time people in the office new hires include Katy White as Associate Director and Alicia Gough as Office Manager - <https://www.njla.org/njla-welcomes-new-hires>
- NJLA Mini Grants for Sections to apply for extra funding.

NJLA Proposal Deadline Dec 8th

Ideas Shared:

- New Retired Workers section reached out about possible co-sponsorship, or want to co-present
 - Outreach for Underserved Populations
 - Senior Centers
 - Outreach Services to Nursing Home
- TBBC – working on a proposal – “A Week in the Life of TBBC” - looking to list D&O as a presentation co-sponsor
- Readers Advisory – books by/about Jewish and Muslim Authors - co-sponsorship
- Laura is working on something and will look for co-sponsorship
- Jeff working with others about working with underserved populations
- DEI Libguides

Link to Conference proposal form: <https://tinyurl.com/yynnmt73c>

NJLA Internship Placement Program – application due Monday, October 30. D&O will be applying - Tasks for an intern:

- Updating NJLA page
- Social media
- Professional development calendar updates
- Minutes if the secretary can't attend the meetings

November is Native American History Month

Pennsauken Public Library programs - <https://pennsaukenlibrary.org/node/1778>

TBBC- Bard program - <https://www.njstatelib.org/talking-book-braille-center/books/bard/>

- Open Training November 16 - email Stephen Felle sfelle@njstatelib.org with any questions or interest.

Culture Connection Club has been rescheduled for March 2024 due to interest

D&O Unconference pushed to March 2024

Joint meeting with LWOC –PSA part 2 focusing on men of color (librarians)

Tanya, Ashley and Sharon working on compiling survey questions.

- Urban Libraries section, LWOC - joint meeting in November – Hip Hop Month 50th Anniversary of Hip Hop working with a presenter from the Queens Library and co-sponsoring with LLNJ virtual meeting - date TBD
 - Will be the November D&O Meeting

End of Meeting: 11:31 am

Minutes Recorded by Rachel Talbert - D&O Secretary