

## NJLA Diversity and Outreach Section Meeting

February 29, 2024  
Minutes

Meeting Called to attention: 11:05 am

Meeting Attendees: Sharon Owens, Ashley Mitchell, Adele Puccio, Noah Anderson, Ellen Callahan, Jennifer Sulligan, Deborah Leary, Stephanie Sendaula, Rachel Talbert, Tanya Finney-Estrada, Lorraine Ruiz, Stephen Felle, Joy Robinson, Vinell Spied, Deborah (Ocean County), Danielle Pitter

Approval of January Minutes: 11:14am

Motion by Lorraine Ruiz

Seconded by Deborah

Reports and Updates:

TBBC - Stephen Felle

- [LEAP program](#) – Working with libraries to promote and teach accessibility features on the iPhone and iPad.
- Programs at NJLA - “A Day in the Life of TBBC”

LLNJ - Stephanie Sendaula

- Culture Connection - <https://librarylinknj.org/calendar/culture-connection-api-culture-event>
  - Addressing microaggressions

Conference & NJLA

- Conference program decisions have been approved/ rejected and you should have been notified
- Registration will open soon
- Strategic Plan - <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NJLA24>
- Strategic Plan Focus Groups - <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeApOCirxvWwJRJxozD-XKsyS0yp3TECu0a6zuhIPCRO2fIMw/viewform>

D&O/ LWOC Unconference Updates and Ideas- November 2024

- Submit ideas on the google doc, and revisit at the March Meeting <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1FUphj59g9HGjJdHSrUbQ5QBKBQ5gCXBsYX0fyMpq0oE/edit>

D&O meeting updates/ schedule ideas

Alternative dates suggestions

- Currently we are meeting 4th Thursday of the Month
- Suggestion - have a rotation of days for a flexible schedule
  - Doodle poll to figure out what time
  - Changes don't have to happen immediately, but looking towards the future

- Could be additional meetings for specific focuses
- Could be one meeting time with breakout rooms for specific focuses/sub-committees → One commitment with set schedule
- Do Survey see what happens – Tanya, Rachel and Noah took this on.

Male LWOC Update -

<https://sites.google.com/view/bakerlectures/critical-conversations-in-lis/critical-conversations-celebrating-black-men-in-librarianship?authuser=0>

March Library Programs & Updates

- She Took Justice Author Talk with Gloria Brown-Marshall - Saturday, March 16  
<https://npl.libcal.com/event/12151004>
- Queer Newark Panel - Tuesday, March 19 <https://npl.libcal.com/event/12089970>
- Harm Reduction Program - “ I Want to See You Live”- Wednesday, March 20  
<https://www.npl.org/the-newark-community-street-team-harm-reduction-workshop/>
- ASL Classes at Newark Public Library 10 weeks March 16-May25
- Notable Women of Camden - Friday, March 22  
<https://events.camdencountylibrary.org/event/2024-03-22/notable-women-camden>
- New Jersey Makers Day March 15-17
- SCLNJ with Bernards Library and Somerset County Food Bank - offering mobile libraries to the VA campus in Basking Ridge

**Next meeting Thursday, March 28th at 11am**

Meeting End: 11:40am