



Diversity & Outreach

MEETING AGENDA

December 16th, 2021 / 11:00am / Via Zoom

Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86550349190?pwd=VWpEejhyYzBiODIsazh5eUg4bGc5Zz09>

Meeting ID: 865 5034 9190

- Approve [November Minutes](#)
- Welcome / Introductions
 - Allan Kleiman - Vice President - leading today's meeting in place of Jeff Cupo (he was unable to attend)
 - Danielle Pitter - Secretary
 - Carina Gonzalez - Past President
 - Enola Romano
 - Stephen Felle
 - Ashley Mitchell
 - Ally Blumenfeld
 - Tanya Finney Estrada
 - Fran - Wharton PL
 - Sharon Rawlins
 - Debra - Edison PL
 - Carina Gonzalez
 - Ryan Oxild - clarence dillon library - first time joining us :)
 - Yesenia Lopes
 - Karen Venturella

Reports

- NJLA Leadership
- Talking Book & Braille Center
 - Stephen Felle: Talking Book & Braille Center (TBBC) hasn't been open to the public, but now back open on appointment basis
 - Institutional accounts - check back with Stephen for sign ups
- Ashley
 - Working on the professional development calendar
 - Created a list of scholarships for BIPOC - [link](#)
- Fran
 - Wharton PL - created a rubric for library staff's internal diversity audit
- Danielle
 - Asked Jeff about Elizabeth Public Library's transient housing cards for homeless people. Seems to be working well for people living in homeless shelters
 - Also checked out the scholarship list for BIPOC
- Allan

- Concerned about declining numbers of library workers of color
- Jen Nelson from LMXAC visited Edison PL - her [email](#) for contact
- Edison PL is setting up new job openings too
- Tanya
 - PSA video updates - [survey for Librarianship & Race](#)
 - Pennsauken FPL planning events for next year
 - Deepest condolences sent to the loss of Stephanie D'Angelico <3 - [link](#)
- Sharon - NJ State Library
 - Constant Contact - newsletters
 - State Library's weekly online newsletter, here's the [link](#)
 - Immigrant refugee program - proposal for NJLA Conference
 - Working on strategic planning
 - Director training
- Carina
 - Piscataway PL - new event management software coming - LibraryCalendar from Library Market
 - Working on Strategic planning
 - My husband is a pour artist and does in-person and zoom classes!
www.sceneoneart.com
- Ryan
 - First timer to our meeting!
 - Small collection but eager to work with us on D&O
- Debra
 - Edison PL - finalizing strategic plan
 - Renovations at Main Library
 - Bilingual storytimes (virtual) - slow progression
 - Ordering books in foreign languages soon
 - Attended the first AAPI meetup
- Nola
 - NJLA conference proposal w/ Keisha Miller (LWOC president) - Beyond the Books: Embracing Opportunity
 - Montclair PL has a job opening for new director
 - Hiring new positions
- Karen
 - Union County College has a new director
 - Looking for a new youth librarian
- Yesenia
 - Newark PL - also looking for new event planning software
 - Scavenger hunt for teens
 - Yesterday - Adults afro doll-making workshops - participants from Jamaica, Africa, Cuba
 - Children's version planning for next summer
 - Planning 3rd Women's Entrepreneur's Fair

Project Updates

- [Roster](#)
- Fine Free New Jersey
 - Edison Public library has gone fine-free!! :)

- Edison PL has been fine-free for elderly patrons already.

Updates:

- Maintain PD Calendar
- Maintain Holiday Calendar
 - Ally and Alicia finished the 2022 holiday & observances calendar - [link](#)

Upcoming Meetings

See you next year in 2022! :)

Marmoset of the Month

