NJLA Scholarship Subcommittee Meeting
Wood-Ridge Memorial Library
Friday, December 12, 2014 @ 1:00 PM

Attendance: Lindita Cani, Maureen Carroll, Debbie Maynard, Keith McCoy, Elaine Menken, Kassundra Miller, Claudine Pascale, Lisa Sedita, Susan Van Alstyne

Agenda

1. Welcome
2. Meeting notes—volunteer: Elaine Menken
3. Members list—verify contact information
4. Maintain Wiki – member volunteered
5. Set dates/locations for application review and interview meeting
6. Review/edit of 2015-2016 application
7. Scholarship funds for 2015-2016
8. Changes to application submission process
9. Procedure to disseminate applicant materials to committee members
10. PR Initiatives- need volunteers

Set dates/locations for application review and interview meeting

- Deadline for applicants will be Wednesday, February 18th
- 2nd subcommittee meeting will be Friday, February 27th at South Orange at 10:00 AM to review applications
- Interviews will be held Friday, March 6th with a rain/snow date of Friday, March 13th at Rutgers New Brunswick
- Follow up subcommittee meeting Thursday, May 14th location TBD/Wood-Ridge at 1:00 PM

Review/edit of 2015-16 application

Instructions Page: change date to 2015-16, change deadline to February 20th, change interview date to March 6th, correct contact information

Page 1: Date change for 2015-16, discussed whether LGBT should be considered under diversity, McCoy explained the history of the Diversity Scholarship which was established in 2001, by Leslie Berger to encourage those with racially diverse backgrounds into the profession.

Page 2: Change dates for income tax data and tax return to most recently filed tax return, eliminate 6th dependent, and add more space for applicant/spouse employment

Page 3: Change dates to 2015-16 and 2014 for total owed as of December
Scholarship funds for 2015-16

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Changes to application submission process
- Looking to have the applications submitted online in the future but since NJLA conference is early this year, there will not be enough time to make it happen for 2015-16
- Contact Melissa Lena from NJLA (tech savvy)

Procedure to disseminate applicant materials to committee members
- All materials will be scanned and sent to committee members
- Will be sent to the drop box

PR Initiatives
- ALA Think Tank on Facebook
- BCCLS
- Clarion
- CW Post
- Drexel
- NJLA CSS-
- NJLA Diversity and Outreach
- Ocean County Library
- Pratt
- PALS
- Rutgers
- St. John’s
- Somerset County Library

Other
- Consider awarded more money, with fewer scholarships
- Karma scholarship is not on the list because it’s already in use
- Measure the effectiveness of scholarships—only 1/3 of recipients were found working in NJ Libraries (does not account for name changes or people without public profiles)
- Follow up with scholarship recipients a year later
- Could funds be used for conference attendance and/or professional development
- For the Hinsdale/Jones scholarship, applicants from East Orange have preference but if no applicants from East Orange apply it can be anyone.