

NCLA Executive Board Reports, April 2022

ALA Council

Archives

New business: Our first trip to the archives at the State Library is scheduled for June 9th. Four people are attending: Libby Stone, Lorrie Russell, Dawn Behrend, and Pamela Mason.

Submitted by: Pamela Mason (pmason6@uncc.edu)

Assoc. of College and Research Libraries (ACRL)-NC Chapter

Business Librarianship in NC

Highlights: The new leadership team is looking forward to our second workshop of the quarter on April 25th, which features discussions on Census Data for business and economic development and a discussion on incorporating reflective practice into our work. BLINC's NC Live task force is in the final stages of developing and coordinating an NC Live workshop focused on sharing a "workflow" for non-subject specialists in addressing business related questions. Looking at dates in May. The ELC planning committee has confirmed representatives from 8 countries across the globe to serve on the planning committee for the conference - which has a focus on international business. **Planned Events:** Informal BLINC Social in Winston-Salem, NC - Saturday, April 2nd BLINC Academic/Collaborative Meeting with Boston Library Consortium - Friday, April 8th 1-3pm, Online Spring Workshop- Online, Monday, April 25th 1-4:30pm.

Biennium Goal Reporting: We have scheduled our second quarterly workshop of the year and will begin work on the summer workshop forthwith. Task forces are hard at work, focusing on networking and mentoring, recruitment, and collaboration with other regional business librarian organizations. Work continues on the next Entrepreneurship & Librarians Conference with a focus on international business. BLINC members continue to be a part of the steering committee. **Old Business:** (January - March 2022) Successful Winter Workshop including presentations by librarians from Southern Pines Public Library and Wake Forest University as well as time for networking. The leadership team met twice this quarter to begin planning BLINC's Spring workshop.

Submitted by: Morgan Ritchie-Baum (ritchiem@wfu.edu)

Community and Junior College Libraries

Highlights: •Dana Glauner, Director of South Piedmont Community College, has agreed to serve as Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect for the executive committee's 2022-2024 biennium term. With her acceptance of the position, we currently have a full slate of officers for the Board. •CJCLS hosted a panel session during the 2022 North Carolina Community College Library Association's conference on Tuesday, March 15, 2022. It was an informational session on the benefits of membership in the Community and Junior College Library Section (CJCLS) and was well attended. •The Executive Committee met on 2/8/2022 and 3/1/2022. We are currently planning a webinar on Planning Community College Library Spaces for the Future to be held in the Summer of 2022. **Planned Events:** Summer 2022-Webinar on Planning Community College Library Spaces for the Future.

Was any supporting documentation uploaded? Yes, link to documentation:https://drive.google.com/open?id=1FvN9SHQGJPfU4JIfwLK0y23JV4bKu_E,
<https://drive.google.com/open?id=1Hmyh86FEvt2FbwatkK6Op4bitxw21IN>.

Submitted by: Tim Hunter (rednecklibrarian1@gmail.com)

Conference Planning

Highlights: The Conference committee has met twice over the last quarter. We have begun brainstorming theme ideas for the 2023 conference. Chairs have been secured for all subcommittees.

Detailed Report: The committee is generating a list of volunteers who would like to serve on various subcommittees and chairs will begin securing their committee members over the next several months. Possibilities for partnering with other professional library organizations were explored, but the plan is to not pursue holding a joint conference at this time. The committee plans to present a proposed theme and logo for approval at the October 2022 Executive Board meeting.

Submitted by: Dawn Behrend (vicepresident@nclaonline.org)

Constitution, Codes and Handbook Revisions

Highlights: Worked with representatives from GRS and YSS to update their respective Section's Bylaws.

Submitted by: Mark Sanders (sandersm@ecu.edu)

Finance Committee

Highlights: The proposed NCLA 2022 budget passed unanimously through an online vote. Nothing else to report at this time.

Submitted by: Paul Birkhead (paul.birkhead@gmail.com)

Government Resources

Highlights: Successfully held an early April, GRS spring meeting, topic was "Government Resources for K-12 teachers" A Canvas Online learning module-presented by Elisabeth Garner and Nathan Saunders from Randall Library-UNC Wilmington. **Planned Events:** GRS Summer Meeting-June 10th-the Friday Center at UNC. Full day from 10:00-4:00, 4 different sessions planned on various Gov Info related topics. **Biennium Goal Reporting:** Made a connection with new Gov Info Coordinator at the Davidson County Public Library, sent a group email out to all library coordinators listed in the FDL.gov site for NC Coordinators, to see if they would join GRS.

Detailed Report: Our GRS bylaws were edited/updated by myself, Elisabeth Garner and Rebecca Freeman, Secretary/Treasurer for GRS this biennium. Mark Sanders will be submitting these changes to NCLA for approval next week, 4/29/2022. David Durant, Gov Information Librarian at ECU, agreed to join GRS Executive Board as Vice-Chair for 2021-2023 Biennium.

Submitted by: Elisabeth Gardner (elisabethgarner78@gmail.com)

Leadership, Administration and Management

Highlights: Produced first new letter of biennium, began recruiting for Program Director replacement, met to discuss programming and website, Chair, Vice Chair, Director of Newsletter and Director of marketing attended. NCLA at large adopted the sponsorship of the NCLIVE leadership workshops.

Planned Events: NCLIVE Summer Dates Pending; Trauma Informed Change Management.

Biennium Goal Reporting: Our goal is to provide support for library leaders with dealing with change and stress in the workforce.

Collaboration Request: Looking for experienced leaders for NCLIVE leadership series; email brandy.hamilton@wakegov.com for more information.

Detailed Report: Report to the NCLA Executive Board Library Administration and Management Section April 2022 Submitted by Brandy L. Hamilton, Chair, LAMS The board met April 7, 2022, via zoom. Website Our focus for the next quarter is to get the LAMS web pages updated and create a new page to serve as a leadership portal. The portal would include readings, webinars and other related materials. The portal materials shall be curated and vetted by leadership professionals to include only highly rated sessions. We will create an input form for members to suggest resources and continue to build the page completely prior to publishing. We will start looking for current high quality content, but we don't want to become a clearinghouse. We will ask NCLIVE about linking their content. Programming- We are interested in trauma informed leadership in the near future since that is a very relevant topic right now. Present Like a Pro useful skill for leaders and brings in revenue for LAMS! While we are building the website, we are still looking at providing programs, and the leadership partnership with NCLIVE is still doing well. We are still looking for a Director for Programming. The person willing to take on the position would not be in charge of all programming, that is a collaborative process. Would need to be detail-oriented and good at facilitation - previous duties included managing logistics for in person and virtual programs. Newsletter - Next issue in progress. Most recent issue was really well received, resources were great! Next Newsletter - Mid-July Continue with the understanding that most of us are still in some sort of crisis mode. We have done a lot of reflecting and would like to be positive but also reflect the reality that we are living in but focusing on Trauma Informed Change Management. We discussed a famous quote by Nora Roberts called the "Glass Ball Theory." We want to do a member spotlight so we will look at our members and reach out randomly. We want to have a wide representation. If you know anyone who might be interested please email Christy Reale. The questions are located in the summer 2021 newsletter for Leader Profile We enjoyed the new "What's on your Bookshelf/nightstand" section for more leisure reading. We will send a call out to membership for pictures of members "in action" to add to the website. General Business Next meeting in July and with gas prices we are keeping it virtual. The Finance Committee approved moving the sponsorship fees for NCLIVE workshops to the general budget, and LAMS will continue in the facilitation role. The workshops have been successful, especially during the pandemic. The LAMS

current balance is 3389.38 Our membership is still strong and increasing slightly each quarter, it is currently 175 members.

Submitted by: Brandy Hamilton (brandy.hamilton@wakegov.com)

Leadership Institute

Highlights: The call for applications for the Institute closed on April 1, 2022. The planning committee is meeting on April 28, 2022 to discuss the applications and assign action items to committee members.

Submitted by: Juli Moore (julianne.moore@co.iredell.nc.us)

Library Advocacy and Legislative

Literacy

Highlights: The executive committee met on Friday, March 25 to discuss our focus for 2022. We will put out a newsletter highlighting ideas, articles, news from other libraries, display ideas, summer learning information, and training highlights two times a year in April (ready for summer) and August (ready for school). In the April Newsletter we'll include a link to a questionnaire about what members would like to see from the Literacy Section.

Submitted by: Sarah Miller (sarah.miller@gastongov.com)

Marketing

NC Library Paraprofessional Association

Old Business: NCLPA Executive Board held its quarterly meeting via Zoom on February 22, 2022 at 2:30 pm. The following points were discussed: minutes from last meeting, Treasurer Report, Regional Director Report, Webmaster Report, October 2021 NCLA Conference, Report on January 28 NCLA Board Meeting, Ideas for future NCLPA events, Filling Regional Director vacancies. **New Business:** We will host a Virtual NCLPA Meet and Greet on Wednesday, May 11, 3pm at the Paraprofessional Conference. NCLPA quarterly meeting date, time, and location TBD. Hoping to meet in person at the library of one of the board members. Discussed strategies to increase NCLPA membership. Continued discussions on ideas for programs and potential collaborations with other sections and working to define our biennium goals and pursuing them.

Submitted by: Ronald Headen (Ronald.Headen@greensboro-nc.gov)

NC School Library Media Association

New Members

Highlights: We're working on a mentoring program open to anyone in NCLA who is interested. More details to come in July. We will be having an event in September in Central NC and one in November in Western NC. Panel planned for early 2023. Many more details to come!

Submitted by: Rachel Olsen (rqsander@uncg.edu)

Nominating

Planned Events: Please contact Lorrie Russell at pastpresident@nclaonline.org if you are interested in serving on the Nominating Committee, or if you are interested in running for an elected office on the NCLA Executive Board.

Submitted by: Lorrie Russell (pastpresident@nclaonline.org)

North Carolina Libraries

President's Report

Reminder of our initiatives for this biennium:

Focusing on our health as individual members, sections, and as a whole organization

Preserving our history

Looking to the future - advocacy and DEI

Initiatives for the 65th Biennial: focus on our health as individual members, sections, and as a whole organization, and remember our mission to “promote libraries, library and information services, and librarianship; and to champion intellectual freedom and literacy programs.” Look for ways to engage with each other as an Executive Board and with our members.

April’s Executive Board meeting will be the first in-person meeting NCLA has held since pre-COVID 19. It is my hope that by meeting in this way our organization will be stronger. It will allow us to take time to get to know one another better and find opportunities for collaboration. We are stronger together!

Our Finance Committee put together a balanced budget for 2022, which was approved by the voting members of the Executive Board on March 29.

The newly formed DEI committee held its first meeting on March 25th. The charges for this committee are as follows:

1. Research current trends of diversity, equity and inclusion in librarianship
2. Collaborate with the State Library, ALA or other organizations as appropriate
3. Collaborate with NCLA committees and sections as appropriate
4. Determine whether this should be a standing committee
5. Develop and implement changes within the organization to ensure DEI best practices

We welcomed a new Administrative Assistant in March. Megan Mead is a 2021 graduate of UNC Greensboro. We are excited to have her on board, and she is happy for the opportunity to work with our organization. Megan will be monitoring the admin@nclaonline.org email account, scheduling events, processing new ALA/NCLA student joint memberships, and other tasks to assist our treasurer and the Executive Board.

Submitted by: Libby Stone (president@nclaonline.org)

Public Library

Reference and Adult Services

Highlights: The RASS section has sponsored 2 Buzz sessions: a) March 16-Sponsored by Velappan (Fayetteville State University)-Impact of Covid-19 on Academic Libraries: Challenges and Opportunities. b) April 20-Sponsored by Susana Goldman & Mary Beth Adams (Alamance County Public Library)-Outreach in the Community.

Planned Events: Upcoming Buzz Session-May18 sponsored by Emily Leachman & Cheryl Coyle (Central Piedmont Community College)-Copyright Post-Pandemic.

Biennium Goal Reporting: Recruit new members-4 at-large positions vacant, continue sending new member letters to welcome potential new members.

Submitted by: Michelle Osborne (michelle.osborne@gastongov.com)

Resources and Technical Services

Highlights: Old Business (Jan 2022 - Mar 2022) --RTSS met in Jan, Feb, & Mar 2022 to plan initiatives, goals, generate programming ideas for both the Spring and current biennium --For programming, the board generated the idea of a virtual poster session for 2022. Reached out to the current chair of TNT to ask if interested in collaborating with us on the program. --Another idea from the board to create a membership survey to gather information and feedback from current members and potential section members. New Business (Apr 2022 - Jun 2022) --Membership feedback survey is forthcoming. Currently being finalized and will be sent out to NCLA listserv soon. --Continue planning for a virtual poster session program.

Planned Events: Biennium Goal Reporting: In the process of developing planning for 2022, including the RTSS Fall Workshop later this year.

Collaboration Request: Collaboration request with TNT section on a joint virtual poster session currently under planning. **Submitted by** Tiffany Henry (tnhenry@uncg.edu).

Roundtable on Ethnic & Minority Concerns

Highlights: Our partnership with Little Tokens Foundation has been a success. Participants shared their appreciation for the virtual storytelling event via video. You can view this video using the following link: <https://youtu.be/yvqIxNVu1T8>.

Planned Events: When Having Hard Conversations Get Hard (July 20th, August 17th, and September 21st) & Black Male Librarian Joy (November 16th).

Biennium Goal Reporting: REMCo held several events including the Constance Hill Marteenia Diversity Award Telethon (January 25th), Chat with Kelvin Watson (February 17th), and the Fulbright Experience featuring Dr. Rhonda Jones (March 30th). The board has several programs coming up to close out 2022, including our summer series, When Having Hard Conversations Get Hard (July 20th, August 17th, and September 21st) and Black Male Librarian Joy (November 16th). To expand the section's visibility, the Executive Board agreed to participate in more statewide outreach/community engagement opportunities. The board recently presented at the North Carolina Community College Library (NCCCLA) Conference and Joan Hill, our secretary/treasurer, participated in a professional development event at Mooresville Public Library to help celebrate Black History Month. To support the section's global initiatives, Brittany Champion and Leander Croker participated in a virtual storytelling program in partnership with Little Tokens Foundation. They read stories by Emmanuel's Dream: The True Story of Emmanuel Ofose Yeboah by Laurie Ann Thompson and Sugar Hill by Carole Boston Weatherford. Participants of the event shared heartfelt messages of appreciation. The Constance Hill Marteenia Diversity Award Subcommittee has launched a fundraising campaign. Marcellaus Joiner, our subcommittee chair, will send out communication via Wild Apricot. The board hopes to continue partnering with the foundation. As we wrap our planning for 2021-2023, Champion hopes to begin planning for the 65th Biennial NCLA Conference. **Submitted by:** Brittany Champion (remco@nclaonline.org)

Scholarships

Highlights: Nothing to report.

Submitted by: Katy Henderson (katy.henderson@chathamlibraries.org)

SELA

Highlights: The SELA Executive Board met March 7, 2022 via Zoom. SELA will co-host their Annual Conference with the Mississippi Library Association October 11-14, 2022 in Meridian, MS in-person and via Zoom. **Detailed Report:** I am continuing to work with the Finance Committee and President Libby Stone to determine the final amount due SELA for the 2021 Biennial Conference. SELA membership in NC is currently at 26 statewide members. SELA is working to update their website. Please take a moment to check it out at www.selaonline.org.

Submitted by: Lorrie Russell (pastpresident@nclaonline.org)

Special Collections

Highlights: The board had its quarterly spring meeting via Zoom on April 1st.

Planned Events: We have an online event planned for May 27th called "Storytelling in Special Collections."

Submitted by: Jessica Janecki (jessica.janecki@duke.edu)

STEM-LINC

Highlights: Currently, the STEM-LINC Executive Board is meeting once a month. Stephanie Johnson will work as the Social Media coordinator for the upcoming biennium (2021 – 2023). STEM-LINC sponsored a webinar on February 9, 2022 entitled, "What You Need to Know to Get Started . . . Web Scraping with Python." Michele Hayslett from UNC Chapel Hill presented to 13 individuals and 44 individuals registered for the webinar.

Planned Events: The Q2 webinar "Building STEM Programming through Partnering . . . Building Bridges between Public and Academic Libraries" will be held on May 26, 2022 from 2 – 3:00 p.m. (EST) and presented by Maegen Wilson from Wayne County Public Library.

Biennium Goal Reporting: Continue with 4 events per year.

Technology and Trends

Highlights: This quarter we met once as a full committee. We went over our goals for the quarter and set up a few events. We are in talks with RTSS to do a joint presentation and we also have been creating content for our Twitter and Facebook feeds once a week about new and interesting tech information that have gained traction and added views. **Planned Events:** We hope to turn our facebook and twitter posts into a more organized newsletter, where we send out some useful information to all members every Friday in longer form. We are still in

the process of planning upcoming events. We hope to develop some in person events, but at the moment are discussing webinars we can hold in the second half of 2022.

Submitted by: Kate Hill (khill@ebSCO.com)

Web and Technologies Support

Highlights: Completed web admin training for new website and email administrators.

Submitted by: Erin Holmes (erin.holmes@ncdcr.gov)

Women in Libraries

Highlights: WILR hosted a virtual Meet and Greet with ALA presidential candidate Emily Drabinski on March 1. Forty-eight people registered and twenty-two attended a lively discussion about current issues for libraries. We also sent a "Welcome" email to our membership for the biennium to solicit ideas for what they would like to see from our section. Finally, we are still seeking additional directors. We advertised in the newsletter, emailed membership, and sent it out to the NCLA listserv. Our next meeting is May 12.

Planned Events: We are currently planning a webinar for June on library statistics and demonstrating our worth when traditional metrics are lower than pre-pandemic numbers. We have a panel arranged and we are finalizing details.

Biennium Goal Reporting: We are currently on track with our biennium goals.

Submitted by: Michelle Hildreth (michelle.hildreth@wakegov.com)

Youth Services

Highlights: Held March meeting. Began the planning and booking process for the 2022 YSS Retreat.

Planned Events: 2022 Retreat in October. Exact date TBD by venue.

Biennium Goal Reporting: Starting Twitter chats to offer more ways to connect our members and discuss relevant topics for professionals in YS. This falls under our networking opportunities goal.

Detailed Report: YSS has started editing bylaws and continues to fine-tune areas that were lacking specificity and needed information. The YSS board plans to have the edits complete for a vote in June and to the Executive Board for review. We have begun planning for our fall biennium retreat and are doing well. Requested dates are to the venue and sessions and posters and getting scheduled. The theme will be R3: Refresh, Renew, Restart (Fresh new start following Covid-19).