NCLA Executive Board Reports January 2016

Government Resources

Highlights: • Sponsored three well-attended sessions at the conference in October • Hosted three Help! I'm an Accidental Government Information Librarian webinars • Lynda Kellam has cleaned up, converted and posted 18 Help! webinars to YouTube over the last six months (new webinars are being posted there directly).
Planned events: • Three Help! webinars are planned: another in January and one each in February and March. • Conversion of past webinars continues. (Responsibility for planning future webinars will become distributed across GRS admin officers.)
Biennium goals reporting:
Collaboration request:
Detailed report: Session evaluations for our three conference sessions are attached. Topics for the past three Help! I'm an Accidental Government Information Librarian webinars include: November 11, 2015, Making Peace with United Nations Data: Learn to navigate UN data information sources; October 7, 2015, Friends, Enemies, and Interests: Foreign Affairs Research with Government Information; and January 13, 2016, The United States Congressional Serial Set ...15577 Volumes and Counting! Topics for the upcoming three include: January 25, Minnesota Population Center Resources; February 17, Canadian statistics; March, Government apps.
Motion requested: No
Submitted by: Michele Hayslett

Literacy

Highlights: The Literacy Roundtable sponsored a session at the conference in October: Story Walks, Story Books, Story Readers. The session described the activities of an LSTA-funded project during 2014-2015. Attendance was about 50.
Planned events:
Biennium goals reporting:
Collaboration request:
Detailed report:
Motion requested: No
Submitted by: Jane Blackburn

Operations

Highlights: 1. Determined that there might be a need for a section/RoundTable for STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) librarianship. 2. Queried NCLA members as to who might be

interested in a section/roundtable/interest group with a STEM-related theme. Collected all responses and Nina Exner created a listserv to keep in touch. 3. Asked NCLA to vote if they thought a STEM-related section would be a good addition. Verified that the 100+ votes we received were from legitimate NCLA members. 4. Invited all interested parties at the NCLA conference to meet up during a "Birds of a Feather" slot. Had a general meet and greet. 5. Began planning our first program, which will take place on 2/5/16 at Elon University.

Planned events: On 2/5/16, we will meet at Elon University for two programming sessions and lunch. At this meeting, we'll ask for suggestions for future topics and will plan accordingly. Our interested potential members expressed interest in both quarterly programs and webinars, when useful.

Biennium goals reporting: Goals at this point are to A) Form an official Section/Roundtable, B) Create bylaws and elect officers, C) Plan another meetup/conference to take place in the next quarter.

Collaboration request:

Detailed report: I would like to make a motion to create a NCLA STEM Round Table. Nina Exner and I have polled NCLA members and have gathered and verified the necessary 100 signatures for this motion (file attached). Just as Business Librarianship in North Carolina (BLINC) serves the needs of librarians interested in business librarianship, a STEM-related Round Table for NCLA will allow those interested in science librarianship issues and topics a venue in which to hold regular meetings, workshops, and networking opportunities. While we had initially considered an interest group, we realized that interest groups needed to be attached to sections, and those who contacted us with interest in a STEM-related group came from several different sections. A Round Table does not need to be attached to a section, so it will serve the diversity of the interested members, who represent Academic, Public, Special, and School libraries in various roles. Why the need for a separate section for STEM? Currently, there are no specifi

Motion requested: Yes

Submitted by: Karen Grigg