

NCLA REMCo Meeting Agenda Wednesday, January 5, 2022 11:00 am- 12:00 pm

Attendees

Brittany Champion, Leander Croker, Tammy Baggett, Joan Hill, Carlos Grooms

Call to order: 11:00 am

Old Business

• Newsletter:

- Champion shared when the newsletter was published. Readers can now view the document via the website. She also shared the link for the newsletter on social media (Twitter, Instagram, & Facebook).
- Global Partners- Damilare Oyedele expressed his gratitude to REMCo for sharing information on our partnership in the newsletter. Oyedele wishes to continue partnering in the future.
- Global Partnership:
 - Little Tokens Foundation
 - Champion and Croker filmed two storytimes at the main branch of the Durham County Libraries on December 21, 2021. Jason H. will edit the video and send it to Champion before the close of January. The final production will be emailed to the board and later sent off to the Little Tokens Foundation Executive Board.

• 64th Biennial NCLA Conference:

• Talitha Vickers expressed her gratitude to REMCo for allowing her to present at the 64th Biennial NCLA Conference.

New Business

• DEI NCCCLA Conference

- Champion shared updates on the DEI Professional Development day for the North Carolina Community College Library Association conference. The event is scheduled for Monday, Mar 14, 2022. Additional details will be available shortly.
- Board members reviewed the description; members will share bios & photos before January 31, 2022.

Socials & Programming

 The board discussed the Constance Hill Marteena Diversity Award Telethon event. The event is to be held on January 25, 2022, at 6 pm via Instagram Live.
 Members can now see details of the event via Wild Apricot and social media.



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Champion shared updates on the Chat with Kelvin Watson event. Because the
event is closed, registration is required. The event is scheduled for Thursday,
February 17, 2022, at 1 pm EST via Zoom. Members can now see details of the
event via Wild Apricot and social media. The NCLA Event calendar will be
updated soon.

• Membership Engagement

- The board discussed ways to improve engagement with membership. Champion introduced the idea of celebrating National Shelfie Day on January 26, 2022, via social media. The board agreed to share shelfies by January 21, 2022. Champion to announce the program on social media on January 7, 2022. The board is hoping to increase followers while celebrating NC library collections.
- Champion asked Croker, Grooms, and Baggett to begin posting in the REMCo listserv daily to improve usage.
- Champion agreed to publish more through Wild Apricot to keep members in the know about programs, initiatives, etc that impact BIPOC librarians across the state of North Carolina.

• Expanding Social media Presence

- Champion asked Grooms and Perry to collaborate and create content for social media. It's her hope that this content will help to improve engagement and establish consistency. She requested the content for the following observances:
 - MLK day (January)
 - Black History Month (February)
 - National Library Lovers Month (February)
 - National Library Week (April)
- Ideas for Cultural Conversations with REMCo
 - Champion asked the board to begin thinking of ideas for REMCo's webinar series,
 Cultural Conversations. She suggested featuring the founding members of We are
 here lit! The session would focus on improving literacy in young minority males.
 - Tiffany Fontno, Boston College
 - Billy Allen, Whitney Library
 - Mychal Threets, Solano County Public Library
 - Champion also suggested that the board begin to solicit ideas and speakers for the series from members.
- Expanding our Network of Support
 - Champion asked the board their thoughts on connecting with similar library sections/roundtables that support BIPOC library personnel in neighboring states. This would include TN, VA, & SC.



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- Donation in memory of Sylvia Sprinkle Hamlin, former Library Director of Forsyth County
 - The board expressed that they wished to send their condolences by way of a donation to Forsyth County Public Library.

Meeting adjourned: 12:02 pm

Minutes submitted by Brittany Champion