12/9/19

## Attendance:

Present: Molly Ortiz, Samantha Ericksen, Colleen Sadowski, Nicole Rosen, Melissa Frost, Julie Crowell, Karyn Bartnick, Julianne Wise, Sarah Ryan, Tonia Burton, Susan Reuter Absent: Melissa Carnevale and Ryan Hughes

### Guests: None

- 1. Welcome: Called to order @ 4:10
- Amend the budget section of the 10/7/19 Approval of minutes from 10/7/19 meeting:: Melissa Frost motions to approve, Karyn seconds, all in favor
- 3. Reports:
  - a. SLS Director:
    - i. Staffing
      - 1. No librarians laid off this week, staffing is still consistent
    - ii. Colleen will be going to Albany next week to advocate for library funding
    - iii. Going to look into getting training for librarians to be able to help students and families with the 2020 census

### b. RRLC:

### i. 2020 Census Training

Date: Tuesday, January 7th, 2020
Time: 9:30am – 4:00pm
Location: St. John Fisher College 3690 East Ave., Rochester, NY 14618
Lunch will be provided.

Registration:

https://senylrc.regfox.com/digital-census-preparation-training-rochester

For libraries and other community groups working with the public on the 2020 Census.

These sessions are for anyone who intends to work with communities towards a complete count during Census 2020. If you or your organization is considering providing internet access or digital tools and services, we will help you create safe digital and non-digital pathways to participation for your patrons or community. Modules in this session include public-facing FAQs, reference interview materials, physical space security, holistic IT, secure participation kiosks, and more.

Contact Ryan Hughes at rhughes@rrlc.org with questions.

Registration is free, and made possible by funds granted from the Charles H. Revson Foundation. The statements made and views expressed, however, are solely the responsibility of Empire State Library Network.

You can view the 2020 Census LibGuide here, https://libguides.senylrc.org/Census2020/TrainingSessions

- c. RPL:
  - i. December 30th @10am the Children's Film Festival Cinema theater will offer a free showing of 2019 films
  - ii. 2020 Children's Film Festival will kick off april 1st
  - iii. RPL is assuming that RCSD will probably not have the funding to pay for students to work as literacy aids this summer so they are looking elsewhere for funding to ensure that RCSD students will still be given the opportunity
    - 1. High performing high school students were supposed to be the students hired originally
    - 2. First 20 kids to fill out the application with at least a 2.0 average were the ones hired last summer
    - 3. RPL would like to get recommendations from RCSD librarians for Summer 2020
    - 4. RPL will purchase books from the RCSD summer reading list if given the list ahead of time

# d. Committees:

- i. III:
- 1. Committee will request that librarians to start listing reasons for why they are declining books
- 2. Grant for ILL bags was denied
- ii. CCD/Special Clients:
  - 1. Committee decided to further the diverse collection by adding ebooks and audiobooks
  - 2. They have sent Mackin a list of diverse authors that they were interested in

- iii. Cataloging:
  - 1. Cleaned up Destiny homepages
  - 2. Has been working on getting the guided reading levels added to the books
  - 3. RFID is going to start at Wilson and School 15 for the test run to see how it works
    - a. RFID will expand to other schools if it is successful
      - i. Approximately 2-3 schools per year
    - b. 3-5 schools can use the same wand and will only need to buy RFID tags
      - i. \$0.14 for every RFID tag
- iv. Storytelling:
  - 1. Survey goes out next week to get an idea of how many schools will be able to participate
- v. Advocacy:
  - 1. Committee decided not to speak at the board meeting incase librarians were not going to be impacted
  - 2. Candace Rubin spoke at the finance meeting last week supporting school librarians and shared letters written by students where they said they want their librarian back
  - 3. Discussed the impact about students only having library access half of the time
  - 4. Molly and Colleen will be going to Albany next week to advocate for librarians
  - 5. Tuesday 2/25 is library lobby day in Albany
  - 6. Going to look at how circulation has been impacted at the .5 schools
- vi. Continue Education:
  - 1. Collegial Circle on Curriculum and Instruction (10 hours)
    - a. Name and description needs to be changed, tabled until the next meeting
- vii. Literacy Initiatives:
  - 1. New reading program was board approved, but the contract has not yet been approved
  - Plan is for the program to be phased into buildings in March for teachers to participate in professional development and be prepared for next year
  - 3. We have title funding that will allow for author visits and books, but there is no transportation funding

- a. Possible authors include Jason Reynolds and Nic Stone
- b. Possible venues will be East (seats 1300) or Edison (seats 500-600)
- c. Librarians can reach out to their principals to see if they will provide funding for the buses

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New Business:

Meeting adjourned at 5:59

Future Meetings:

3/2/20 @ 4pm @ EAST

Action Steps: