**Diversity and Outreach Section minutes**

**Friday, January 23, 10:00 – 12:00 noon**

**East Brunswick Public Library/ Adobe Connect**

**Attendance:** Enola Romano (Montclair), Peggy Cadigan (NJSL), Kate Baker (Piscataway), Andrew Luck (Paterson), Jill D’Amico (EBPL), Lawrence Lane (Rutgers), Anna Coats (Livingston). **Online:** Jen Schureman (GCLS), Doug Baldwin (NJLA moderator, Piscataway), Misun Lyu (LLNJ), Mary Beth Fine (ACLS), Michael Maziekien (Kenilworth).

*Meeting called to order at 10:15 a.m.*

**Review of Minutes**

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

**Reports from Co-Chairs**

Elections for the section were discussed - our slate must be sent to the nominations committee by March 6. All positions are open, and an email will be sent out to the group asking for nominees.

All of our section’s wiki information will be migrated to the new NJLA Central website.

 **State Library Report**

Mimi will update us about the diversity conference when she has more information.

**Executive Board Report**

Michael Maziekien reported that the NJLA strategic plan will be voted on at the executive board’s February meeting. It is a document geared towards broader goals of the association and will expand NJLA’s role as a continuing education provider.

**NJLA Conference update**

We heard back about our approved sessions and programs - the section will have a strong presence at this conference! We hope to be added to the “Diverse books” program as a co-sponsor with CSS and YA. Jen will make buttons again for promotion. Jill and Andy will work on program promotion.

**D&O Resources page**

The site is live at : <http://librarylinknj.org/do-diversity>

Mi-Sun updated us that the page’s organization will remain the same, though content can and should be changed. Mi-Sun noted that she had still not received a lot of feedback, even from members who committed to providing it.

A lengthy discussion ensued about our responsibilities as a section for the page, its purpose and target audience, and our role in building and maintaining it. It was intended as a collaboration, though Mi-Sun has been doing the lion’s share of the work. It was suggested that a meeting take place separately from the section meetings in order to focus. Enola will send out a poll to pick a date for this.

**Ideas for 2015**

The section would like to get out into the community in new ways. Ideas that we will follow up on are June pride events in NJ and Philadelphia.

We will need to put together an agenda for our joint NYLA/ESRT-NJLA D&O meeting in May.

We are tabling the social media/twitter discussion for lack of time.

The listserv is open and ready for sharing.

**Next meeting**

Our next meeting will be held on Thursday, February 26th, place TBD.

*Meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.*