

## NJLA Technical Services Section meeting

June 14, 2017

### Somerset County Library System – Bridgewater Branch

1. **Welcome** : in attendance: Teresa Bayles ([tbayles@sclibnj.org](mailto:tbayles@sclibnj.org)), Susan Muntz ([susan.muntz@livingston.bccls.org](mailto:susan.muntz@livingston.bccls.org)), Marcia Lubansky ([mlubansky@bernards.org](mailto:mlubansky@bernards.org)), Linda Tripp ([ltripp@sclibnj.org](mailto:ltripp@sclibnj.org)), Beata Barrasso ([bbarrasso@summitlibrary.org](mailto:bbarrasso@summitlibrary.org)), Ken French ([ken.french@montclair.bccls.org](mailto:ken.french@montclair.bccls.org))

2. **Approval of minutes from March 3, 2017 meeting**

3. **Section Name Change Status**

Our Section has officially been renamed: Technical Services and Collection Development Section. Teresa will check bylaws to record the change. Membership voted 86% in favor of the name change via a SurveyMonkey vote.

4. **Spring Copy Cataloging Workshop**

We received positive responses from participants who found the workshop useful. The program ran a bit long; in the future, we could offer several half-day workshops and focus separately on books or media in each workshop, not on all formats. The flyer by Dan Lane was exceptional.

5. **NJLA Spring Conference**

TS offered one program (*Building an e-Book Collection via Demand-Driven Acquisition* by Chuck Dolan of Middlesex County College and Dan Lane, BCCLS, Digital Initiatives Librarian) and co-sponsored a second program (*Narratives of Library Power* by Emily Drabinski (LIU Brooklyn) [College & University Section]), both of which were scheduled at the same time. The sponsors of another session on “No-D” (No Dewey) did not offer the TS Section an opportunity to co-sponsor. In general, we felt that our programs were mismanaged; attendance was low because of the early time slot and scheduling programs at the same time.

Link for Chuck Dolan’s program:

[http://njlaconference.info/sites/njlaconference.info/files/Ebook\\_Collection\\_DDA\\_MiddlesexCC\\_2017.pdf](http://njlaconference.info/sites/njlaconference.info/files/Ebook_Collection_DDA_MiddlesexCC_2017.pdf)

6. **Professional Development Programs: Change to Section Requirements**

From the NJLA office, February 15, 2017:

“Instead of requiring NJLA groups to sponsor professional development programs every year, we are changing that requirement to **every other year**. We recognize that you are all volunteers and appreciate the time and energy that is required to run an NJLA committee, section, or roundtable. Planning an event can be challenging to leaders that have other responsibilities at their place-of-work and other tasks that they wish to accomplish within their group.

Collecting proposals once a year in the fall puts unnecessary pressure on incoming leaders that assume their posts in mid-summer and may not plan on meeting with their groups until the fall. We propose replacing yearly proposal submissions with three deadlines throughout the year. This will offer great flexibility to leaders, while offering ample time to plan and advertise events after proposals have been approved.”

**Proposal Submission Schedule:**

- Programs scheduled for January through April -- Submit by October 1
- Programs scheduled for May through August -- Submit by February 1
- Programs scheduled for September through December -- Submit by June 1

We can continue to offer programs each year as we always have done.

**7. New Business**

- a. No new leadership orientation has been scheduled.
- b. Google Drive is available for storing Section documents. Teresa has not received instructions on how to use this resource.
- c. New Program Ideas
  - Collection Development half-day workshop  
Ken French will work with Morris Balacco to outline a workshop. The focus would be on public libraries: selection, weeding, and reports. We can continue to plan via email for a late October/early November workshop.
  - World Languages  
Focus on certain languages where reliable sources are more difficult to find. This topic could work well for a Conference session.
  - Copy Cataloging Media  
Use content from our last workshop, but limit the focus to media only

**8. Q & A**

**9. Next meeting**

Friday, September 15, 2017, 10-12 noon at Somerset County Library – Bridgewater (9:30 am refreshments!)