**ACRL NJ/NJLA CUS Meeting**

Friday, March 19, 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Online via Zoom

I. Welcome and Introductions

Janelle Bitter, Colin Bitter, Heather Dalal, Nicole Potdevin, Amanda Piekart, Christina Connor, Brianna LoSardo, Melissa Hofmann, Steve Shapiro, Romel Espinel, Joan Dalrymple, Alyssa Valenti, Eric Jeitner, Adriana Mamay, Theresa Agostineli, Maria Deptula, Joe Louderback, Kim Lynch, Hilary Westgate

II. Approve minutes from February meeting: Approved <https://docs.google.com/document/d/10H2PvakvBurPIya11sjaZSVJJGnOUr5rMxr-_pKYc6o/edit?usp=sharing>

* Discussion around Heather’s comment regarding LLNJ representative on NJLA-CUS
  + Exec board can make changes to bylaws as needed - we can appoint a position similar to Social Media Coordinator or Legislative Rep who would not be a voting member
  + Theresa can do for now, and we can formalize in June/July with new year
  + Question about appointed positions - are there term limits? There should be and people can be reappointed if desired.
  + Heather will look at bylaws regarding this and report back

III. Reports (Executive Board and Committee Chairs, see below for more details)

IV. Old Business

* Electronic Resources Committee Idea follow up
  + Friday March 5 – had 25 attendees, a lot of whom were new people not currently involved in CUS. Talked about what topics would be of interest to that group. Did not press to become a committee, but has momentum to grow into one.
* [Wellness Wednesday check-ins](https://forms.gle/7ZkYQBwZgrBMxpj3A)
  + March 24; April 21 and 28 1 PM for next Month – different presenters.
  + Theresa will help promote.
  + First one had 6 attendees including 1 public librarian
* [LibraryLinkNJ Super Library Supervisor Series registration deadline April 2nd](https://librarylinknj.org/content/super-library-supervisor-workshop-series-fy2021)
  + Open to all kinds of librarians
  + 2 consecutive tracks of 35 people each - lottery if they run over (but people who were part of last year’s cancelled session are guaranteed a spot)
  + Amanda is a presenter, as is Tonya Garcia
  + Email Theresa or Darby Malvey with questions
  + Also discussed new LLNJ Exec Director - Susanne Sacchetti’s last day will be next Friday. Interim is Keith McCoy; Juliet Machie is consulting/assisting. Hoping for permanent person in June/July.

V. New Business

* Amanda and Hilary recommended that VALE be in-person next year but with an option to go virtual if necessary. Not sure if it would be co-located with EDGE.
* Discussion of ACRL conference costs - virtual this year but just as expensive as it usually is. Are people not attending because of prohibitive cost? Decision to put out a statement about this.
  + Romel will survey our members to get data about their current professional development funding.
  + From CJCL listserv, some people accepted to present declined to do so/attend because of cost. One group is offering their presentation free of charge on their own.
* NJLA is working on a statement in support of Asian-Americans and Pacific Islanders – do we want to endorse, write our own, etc? Alyssa will wait until the official one comes out.
* Our next meeting is April 16 – which is the same time as ACRL!

Reports (Executive Board)

* President (Alyssa Valenti)
  + Thanks to all who presented and attended the SCARLA NJLA-CUS/ACRL-NJ Info Session. Hopefully we’ll get some student interest in participating in our organization!
  + NJLA Emerging Leaders CUS Presentation - Thursday 3/18. I represented CUS for this program.
    - Got one comment from someone interested in joining Technology Committee
* Vice President (Hilary Westgate)
  + NJLA CUS Distinguished Service Award: <http://fs19.formsite.com/njla/form16/index.html> - Deadline extended to April 12
  + Ballots have gone out for our next round of NJLA CUS/ACRL-NJ officers; please cast your votes. :)
    - Discussion about voting: We used NJLA’s form this year, which required NJLA login and prevented ACRL-NJ people from voting. Next year, NJLA will go back to their old form that did not require login because it also prevented NJLA members from voting who did not know login info.
      * Task nominations committee with figuring out how to reach ACRL-NJ members this year (Heather, Steve).
      * Alyssa will work to get list of current ACRL-NJ members. Received money from dues, so will reach out to same person.
      * ACRL-NJ listserv through Seton Hall - Elizabeth Leonard. To subscribe send to ACRL-NJ email to [listserv@listservs.shu.edu](mailto:listserv@listservs.shu.edu) (link sends e-mail). In the BODY of the message, put: subscribe acrlnj-l (nothing required in the subject at all)
      * (NJLA membership should only be $60 if you are also a member of ACRL.)
      * (ALA is doing away with listservs as of June 1. Have to make ALA Connect account.)
* Past President (Cara Berg)
  + NJLA Nominations and Elections subcommittee meeting at the end of the month, details to follow.
* Secretary (Janelle Bitter)
  + New NJ State Librarian Jennifer Nelson spoke at Emerging Leaders and stated she is willing to come to NJLA section meetings and is interested in figuring out how she can support academic libraries. Would we like to invite her to a meeting? Ideas for how we could work together or questions we have for her?
    - Digital Literacy was something she spoke about at EL
    - Grants
    - Assessment - working with library data
    - Outreach
    - Equity
  + Yes - Alyssa will reach out
* Member at Large (Maria Deptula)
  + Nothing to report
  + Discussion about whether this role should have clear responsibilities. They normally do not, but can take them on = led to conversation about bylaws.
    - Gary had done extensive work on bylaws and has documents saved
    - More recently, strategic planning group did similar work.
    - Gary, Heather, Janelle, Alyssa, Hilary will work on updating bylaws, using work from both previous groups.
    - In reference to previous discussion about voting, Gary stated that many ACRL chapters that are part of state library association only have those state association members voting. Those that are independent allow anyone to vote (ACRL and state association). We are an anomaly, but that is not stated anywhere. Only president and VP are required to be members of both.
* NJLA Executive Board Liaison/Honors and Awards Liaison (Adriana Mamay)
  + The 2021 NJLA Conference is officially virtual and will be held June 3 and 4 using a platform called Pheedloop (no pre-conference day this year)
  + Registration opens Saturday, March 20th
  + This conference is live and will feature:
    - Keynote Speakers
    - 50+ Sessions over 2 days
    - Live Q&A with presenters
    - Live exhibitors
    - Poster Sessions
    - Games and Prizes
    - Networking in virtual rooms
    - Plus no travel or lodging expenses
  + NJLA Awards will be accepted until April 12th - will find out when committees need to report winners
  + Rate is reduced but not free
* Website Liaison (Romel Espinel)
  + No report
* Social Media Chair (Theresa Agostineli)
  + No report
* Legislative Representative (Gary Marks)
  + Legislative Updates Digest out shortly -probably Monday or Tuesday
  + Civic Engagement Roundtable Workshop April 30th 1-4pm, proposals due by March 26th
  + Bylaws taskforce reconvening- Alyssa, Heather-others interested contact Gary

Reports (Committee Chairs)

* Archives (Brianna LoSardo, Kim Lynch, and Stephanie Sussmeier)
  + Spring meeting is scheduled for May 6th at 2:00pm
* Assessment (Christina Connor and Eric Jeitner)
  + Our next virtual meeting will be held on March 23 at 11am.
  + Met with Amanda Piekart and Joe Louderback, co-chairs of the Reference and User Education Committee, to collaborate on an April workshop. The focus of the workshop will be on the ACRL Learning Analytics Toolkit. We will have priority registration for our committees and then open it up to the larger community.
  + Thinking about 2 workshops – 1 with each focus (IL and resource management). People can attend both if they are interested.
  + Will start promoting as soon as details are ironed out.
* Bibliographic Control and Metadata (Colin Bitter)
  + BCMC has elected a new Vice Chair/Chair Elect: Yuji Tosaka, Cataloging/Metadata Librarian from TCNJ. Yuji will serve as Vice Chair until July 1, 2022, at which point he will succeed Colin as Chair.
  + Spring meeting was March 18th at 10am via Zoom; summer meeting is scheduled for July 8th at 10am via Zoom.
  + Accepting Tech Services award nominations.
* Marketing & Outreach (Nicole Potdevin)
  + Next meeting will be in April
  + Still looking for a co-chair - Gary volunteered
* Newsletter (Joan Dalrymple and Katie Cohen)
  + Our schedule for the spring issue:
    - 3rd call: 3/29
    - 4th call if needed: 4/12
    - Deadline: 4/19
    - Publish: 4/26
  + SCARLA and the NJ State Library Talking Book and Braille Center will each contribute an article. We will also seek an article about the Open Textbook Collaborative and one from LLNJ.
  + We have a few announcements. Please encourage your colleagues to submit any announcements about promotions, new hires, retirements, publications, conference presentations, etc.
  + Hope to have something from new NJ State Librarian Jennifer Nelson after our meeting with her.
* Nominations (Steve Shapiro)
  + Elections underway – thanks to Hilary and Joe who helped posting. Voting open until April 9.
* Reference and User Education Committee (Amanda Piekart and Joe Louderback)
  + met Feb. 26
  + Had fruitful conversation about marketing IL services - demo live chat during instruction. Embed library links in LMS. Promotional video or static quotes using student testimony.
  + Next meeting 4/23
  + Learning Analytics workshop 4/30
* Research (Heather Dalal and Melissa Hofmann)
  + The Technology committee asked us to include their winner in our presentation. We were able to make amendments to the title and abstract.

#### From Passion to Published: Research Award Forum & Panel; with the Technology Award Winner

To promote excellence in the research and technology efforts of New Jersey librarians, the NJLA CUS/ACRL-NJ Research Committee presents a research award forum and panel. The 2020 and 2021 Research Award winners and Forum participants will present their research content and highlight their processes.The Technology Award winner will demo their project. Following will be a panel of accomplished librarian authors who want to encourage you to research, write, and publish about your work or interests.

* + We have an intern who will work as a panelist for this year’s award and forum review.
* Technology (Maria Deptula)
  + The Committee met on March 4th.
  + Topics discussed:
    - Technology Award – (so far one submission); extension of due date; presentation at the NJLA luncheon; collaboration on breakout session with the Research Award Com.
    - Wellness Committee
    - Electronic Resources Committee