**ACRL NJ/NJLA CUS Meeting**

Friday, May 21, 1:00-3:00 PM

Online via Zoom

I. Welcome and Introductions

Janelle Bitter, Colin Bitter, Alyssa Valenti, Hilary Westgate, Nicole Potdevin, Joe Louderback, Gary Marks, Adriana Mamay, Melissa Hofmann, Joan Dalrymple, Saskia Kusenecov, Christina Connor, Maria Deptula, Katie Cohen, Bart Everts, Theresa Agostinelli, Karen Venturella, Kate Hossain

II. Approve minutes from April meeting: APPROVED

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1IT9DTp3VJjM5alakqx4kUcI-7kPh6xm2j5u4WmnPsa4/edit?usp=sharing>

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

IV. Old Business

* Anti-Racism Task Force [Final Recommendations](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1EWdXXG_7T0pX8VrgZfkJEaqhOuQHwmjPxUr9gc5Eyw4/edit?usp=sharing) (Bart Everts, Cara Berg)
  + Representation, barriers to BIPOC representation to academic librarianship
  + What is the goal when we think about this representation?
  + These conversations should be part of all aspects of NJLA-CUS
  + Not sure whether having separate CUS group is duplicating NJLA efforts
  + Programming, newsletter space, keep this at the forefront of our work
  + Aggregated list of work of DEI work happening at academic libraries in NJ
  + Let’s keep this as a running agenda item to talk about what institutions are doing
  + Talk about how to make it more integrated into our work at CUS
* Bylaws Committee
  + Reconstituted task force to review previous work and iron out next steps
  + Keep initial purpose and role same
  + Implement a regular review of bylaws
  + Meeting in June – hope to have update for transition meeting
  + A lot TBD
* Wellness Wednesdays update
  + One in June, one in July, one in August
  + Reconvene in August to decide fall schedule
  + Article in CUS newsletter, abbreviated version in NJLA newsletter – hope to continue attracting people
* Academic Libraries & Civic Engagement Workshop April 30th
  + Website updated with presentations, talking points
  + Would like to continue on regular basis

V. New Business/Announcements

* [LibraryLinkNJ](http://www.librarylinknj.org) Skill-Sharing Conversations & Share Your Reads
  + Alyssa led a database subscriptions discussion – public, academic, school
  + Ironing out details of format
  + Send ideas to Theresa – great way to bring together librarians
  + Share Your Reads – once a month. Children/YA and adult/YA.
    - Trying night meeting to see if that works, will try morning if not.
    - On LibraryLinkNJ website, but sending out press release early next week
* Email Karen Venturella with info about cultural diversity in cataloging for NJLA Technical Services committee
  + LMxAC – Eileen Palmer

VI. Technology Innovation Award Presentations

* Colin Bitter, TCNJ (<https://github.com/colinbitter/OCLC-Datasync-Postprocessing>)
* Gary Marks, WPU (<https://tinyurl.com/wpuhunt>)

Reports (Executive Board)

* President (Alyssa Valenti)
  + Letters to Boards of Education / Joint meeting with NJASL- Glen Ridge BOE meeting Monday night at 6:30pm?
    - In support of school librarian positions that are being cut - 3 so far, talks about how college students are not prepared for college-level research
    - Create a strategy going forward
    - Looking for any support we can offer – involvement with conferences for K-12 educators/BOE meetings, working with principal training programs to educate administrators in a different way
    - Anyone interested – might try to invite NJASL officers to future NJLA-CUS meetings
  + June Transition Meeting June 16th 10:30am-12:30pm
    - Incoming and outgoing chairs and leadership team
    - Let Alyssa know if people needed to be added to E Board listserv, make sure they know about the meeting
    - Strategize for next year, talk about committees
  + NJLA Conference / CUS Luncheon agenda
  + Annual reports [ACRL Plan for Excellence](http://www.ala.org/acrl/aboutacrl/strategicplan/stratplan) (<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1j_CxHrba16PQ0mdqxK3i2WZyChb3kj44WB8BnBF_mOg/edit?usp=sharing>) Final report due by July 23. Please have committee annual reports completed by June 30.
    - Number of members, meeting dates, number of times met, activities
* Vice President (Hilary Westgate)
  + Sign-ups for NJLA Conference CUS Networking Room: <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1uVLHC40xKTGkCXPKu1SGWqrG2ODA8WMzM-ggP0H_5rU/edit?usp=sharing>
  + VALE Conference Planning Committee - 25 people already volunteered!
    - Will follow up with date to meet in June
  + October Conference/Unconference on Information Equity with LibraryLinkNJ, NJLA Diversity & Outreach Section, NJASL, NJALA, Library Workers of Color Section, etc.
    - Hybrid – some regular, some unconference
    - Last week of October, weeklong
    - Beginning planning stages – let Theresa know about ideas or if you want to get involved
  + Oct. 15th Exec Board meeting with Young Adult Services Section
    - Reached out to have a meeting like last year – discuss transition to college
* Past President (Cara Berg)
  + No report
* Secretary (Janelle Bitter)
  + No report
* Member at Large (Maria Deptula)
  + No report
* NJLA Executive Board Liaison/Honors and Awards Liaison (Adriana Mamay)
  + Don’t forget to register for the NJLA Conference! (can register up to day of)
  + Thank you to everyone who reviewed the 4 CUS Awards applicants and congratulations to the winners!
    - NJLA CUS/ACRL-NJ Distinguished Service Award **Christina Connor, Ramapo College**
    - NJLA CUS/ACRL-NJ Research Award **Catherine Baird, Montclair State University**
    - NJLA CUS/ACRL-NJ Technical Services Award **Jianrong Wang, Stockton University**
    - NJLA CUS/ACRL-NJ Technology Innovation Award (2 recipients) **Gary Marks, William Paterson University** and **Colin Bitter, The College of New Jersey**
  + The winners will be honored at the NJLA Honors and Awards Ceremony on Wednesday, June 2nd at 4 PM and the CUS Luncheon during the NJLA Conference on Friday, June 4th at 12:30 PM
* Website Liaison (Romel Espinel)
  + No report
* Social Media Chair (Theresa Agostineli)
  + No report
* Legislative Representative (Gary Marks)
  + Working on Spring Legislative digest. Hope to have it distributed after the NJLA Public Policy committee update session at NJLA.

Reports (Committee Chairs)

* Archives (Brianna LoSardo, Kim Lynch, and Stephanie Sussmeier)
  + The Archives committee met on May 6th. We heard updates from members and discussed an article on rapid-response collecting in the COVID-19 era.
  + Kim Lynch will become chair of the committee and Stephanie Sussmeier will become co-chair.
  + Our next meeting will be in Fall 2021.
* Assessment (Christina Connor and Eric Jeitner)
  + Co-hosted Learning Analytics Toolkit workshop on May 7 with the chairs of the Reference and User Education Committee. Attendees indicated an interest in future collaborations between both committees.
  + Planning has begun for the Summer Workshop - CFP will go out soon
  + Next meeting will be June 1 at 2pm (via Zoom).
* Bibliographic Control and Metadata (Colin Bitter)
  + Congratulations to Jian Wang (Stockton, retired), recipient of the 2021 Technical Services Award
  + Next meeting is July 8th, 10am via zoom
* Marketing & Outreach (Nicole Potdevin and Gary Marks)
  + Next meeting will be held in June 2021
  + Fall NJASL outreach programs
* Newsletter (Joan Dalrymple and Katie Cohen)
  + We published on time on April 26th.
  + Thank you to all the contributors!
  + We will set fall dates later in the summer.
* Nominations (Steve Shapiro)
  + No report
* Reference and User Education Committee (Joe Louderback, Kaitlyn Clohosey)
  + New co-chair, Kaitlyn Clohosey, Felician
  + Meeting on April 30, discussion of the “Framework through a DEI lens” among other topics
  + Co-hosted Learning Analytics Toolkit workshop on May 7 with the chairs of the Assessment committee
  + Planning has begun for the Summer Workshop
  + Aiming for June meeting
* Research (Heather Dalal and Melissa Hofmann)
  + New co-chair, Daniel Kipnis ([kipnisd@rowan.edu](mailto:kipnisd@rowan.edu)) with Melissa
* Technology (Maria Deptula)
  + The Committee met on April 29th. The members watched the presentations for the Technology Innovation Awards. This year, the Technology Innovation Award is being shared by Colin Bitter for his project “OCLC Data Sync Reports with Python” and by Gary Marks for his use of mixed technologies to design “Virtual Scavenger Hunt." The winners will provide short overviews of their innovations during the Research Forum at NJLA Annual Conference, and also during the ACRL NJ/NJLA CUS Executive Committee meeting on May 21st.