**ACRL NJ/NJLA CUS Meeting Minutes**

**Friday, April 22, 10 AM-12 PM**

Online via Zoom

Zoom Link to Join Meeting:[**https://fdu.zoom.us/j/94180784391**](https://fdu.zoom.us/j/94180784391)

\*This is a different Zoom link from other meetings\*

**I. Welcome**

**In Attendance: Hilary Westgate, Nicole Potdevin, Alyssa Valenti, Bonnie Lafazan, Cara Berg, Eric Jeitner, Heather Dalal, Janelle Bitter, Joe Louderback, Kaitlyn Clohosey, Kate Hossain, Katie Cohen, Kim Lynch, Daniel Kipnis, Sara Purifoy**

**Absent: Maria Deptula, Adriana Mamay, Gary Marks, Stephanie Sussmeier, Steve Shapiro, Christina Connor, Joan Dalrymple**

**Special Guests: James Keehbler, Kate Jaggers**

II. Approve minutes from March 18th meeting: <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1PJkM1P-mQNZaBQwRWx_lvxgsptC0_2R7tKU0N7LfESY/edit?usp=sharing>

**\*\*\*Special Guests: James Keehbler and Kate Jaggers from NJLA:**

\*NJLA Leadership and members of the NJLA Finance Committee will present. The NJLA Finance Committee has developed a new Enhanced Institutional Membership (EIM) initiative that goes into effect for CY23.

Notes from James & Kate’s presentation:

* Making NJLA Membership more accessible **and inclusive**
* New NJLA Equity Scholarships with 22 applicants and 7-9 scholarships to give out this year for BIPOC library school students and staff
* NJLA Enhanced Institutional Membership: The EIM allows **all** employees of the library to become members of NJLA (all library staff and librarians) - one Purchase Order for full library
* Regular institutional memberships and regular individual memberships will still exist
* Tiered based on organization size **to make offer more flexible and invite more diversity across membership**
* For academic libraries, handled through the library instead of through the overall college/university **since** **many colleges and universities don’t cover the cost of institutional memberships. This initiative is designed to help fill this gap and offer libraries the ability to directly offer this to their employees.**
* Starts Jan 1, 2023 but start to sign up as of July 1, 2022
* **Kate Jaggers: president@njlamembers.org**

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

**IV. Old Business**

* **Section** Elections launching in April – Voting is open **April 25-May 6**
  + **VP/President-elect**
* **Kaitlyn Clohosey (Felician University)**
* **Gary Marks (William Paterson University)**
* **Secretary/Treasurer:**
* **Ruth Ware (Essex County College)**
* **Member-at-Large**
* **Melissa Hofmann (Rider University)**
* June Transition Meeting - in person or virtual? Hilary must do virtual for the meeting – do others want to set up a lunch for the group?
* Bylaws Committee
  + Gary, Hilary, Nicole, Kate H., Joe L., Janelle
  + **Hoping to get this group together in the next month**
* Name Change
  + Ideas: New Jersey Academic Librarians (in line with recent Conference name change), Garden State Academics
* ACRL Chapter Newsletter
  + Asked Leslin for how we can be added to the ACRL Chapters newsletter distribution - waiting on reply

**V. New Business/Announcements**

* If you are presenting at the 2022 NJLA Conference, please let us **(Hilary and Bonnie)** know and we can promote your session on our social media, etc.
* **Upcoming emails that you will receive:**
  + Follow-up info about NJLA Institutional Membership
  + Voting for our Section’s leadership
  + Spring Newsletter will be out
  + Our Award winners for the year
  + Poll for June Transition meeting
* **Reminder:** Please consider stepping up as a Co-Web Liaison with Janelle Bitter! Or please consider discussing with colleagues who are not yet involved with us. This offers a leadership-level role (good for tenure and reappointment and promotion, etc.!) but would not be a large time commitment.
* **Wellness Wednesdays – May event will not take place but a Conference Wellness Wednesday is - join us! The group will be meeting soon to plan new event dates.**

**Reports (Executive Board)**

* President (Hilary Westgate)
  + Section Elections coming up
  + June Transition Meeting (virtual)
  + Held a special meeting on Monday, March 28 with Kelvin Watson, ALA Presidential Candidate, following our March meeting with Emily Drabinski - thanks to all who attended and chatted with the candidates!
    - Emily Drabinski won the ALA Presidential election: <https://www.emilydrabinski.com/>
  + Co-Sponsorship: Ukraine History Center Event (Somerset, NJ) with NJLA History & Preservation Section and MARAC - May 3, 2022 at 3pm (Virtual)
    - Will share more info. Center link: <https://www.ukrhec.org/>
    - NJLA Calendar Event link: <https://www.njla.org/index.php?option=com_jevents&task=icalrepeat.detail&evid=749&Itemid=115&year=2022&month=05&day=03&title=njla-hap-the-historical-and-cultural-context-of-the-war-in-ukraine&uid=02aed4fabb75169e2ec3fd4c4e90f40f>
  + NJLA CUS Luncheon on Friday, June 3
* Vice President (Nicole Potdevin)
  + No report
* Past President (Alyssa Valenti)
  + Upcoming NJLA Special Election for 3 vacated member-at-large positions. The slate has been finalized. Look for a ballot to come out soon.
* Secretary (Sara Purifoy)
  + No Report
* Member at Large (Maria Deptula and Kate Hossain)
  + **Will share nominees soon**
  + **The NJLA Exec Board just approved the Special Election slate on Tuesday, so the election information should go out soon!**
  + **Section Election should also be coming out soon – building ballots now but may be delayed because of the Special Election to avoid confusion.**
* NJLA Executive Board Liaison/Honors and Awards Liaison (Adriana Mamay)
  + Awards liaisons will receive nominee information soon – “I plan to send along the awards nominations to the 4 point people once the nomination period closes on the 15th.”
* Website Liaisons (Heather Dalal and Janelle Bitter)
  + Heather Dalal will be stepping down as a co-liaison; please let us know if you are interested in filling this role. **Janelle Bitter is staying on.**
  + **Responsibilities primarily include updating the website with membership and leadership information.**
* Social Media Chair (Bonnie Lafazan)
  + Please send Bonnie anything that needs to be posted on social.
  + **Will share information about the Ukraine program.**
* Legislative Representative (Gary Marks)
* LibraryLinkNJ Liaison (Bonnie Lafazan)
  + Latest newsletter: <https://www.smore.com/j561f-on-the-calendar?ref=email>
  + Of note, skill sharing conversations are available on LibraryLink’s YT Channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCL9uNuq6Auqj2w0rgsIUzmQ> latest one with our own Janelle Bitter: [LLNJ Skill-Sharing Conversation: Chat Reference](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HEWVan4ofQU&t=2s)
* NJ Librarians Connect-Wellness Wednesdays (Adriana Mamay, Cara Berg, Alyssa Valenti, Bonnie Lafazan, Hilary Westgate)
  + No May meeting but will share other upcoming meetings.
  + NJLA Conference presentation on Friday, June 3 - We’d love to see you there! <http://www.njlaconference.info/node/1734>
    - **Conference session will cover the creation of Wellness Wednesdays and host a wellness session**

**Reports (Committee Chairs)**

* Archives (Kim Lynch and Stephanie Sussmeier)
  + We will have our spring meeting on May 6.
* Assessment (Christina Connor and Eric Jeitner)
  + The last meeting was on March 22 (Zoom). The conversation focused on successes and challenges related to campus-wide assessment.
  + Next meeting is scheduled for April 26 via Zoom.
  + Met with Joe and Kaitlyn from the Reference and User Education Committee to plan a joint-committee meeting focused on the ABCs of Assessment. The meeting will be held via zoom on April 29, 2022. The meeting will start with a presentation by the four co-chairs, followed by breakout sessions/roundtables on specific assessment methodologies.
  + Plan to co-host the Summer Workshop with the Reference and User Education Committee. Date and format TBD.
* Bibliographic Control and Metadata (Yuji Tosaka)
  + No Report
* Research (Melissa Hofmann and Daniel Kipnis)
  + Heather Dalal will be moderating for the Research Committee at NJLA. Unfortunately neither Daniel or I can attend on June 3.
  + We have yet to receive our submissions.
  + We have yet to schedule a meeting to review submissions.
* Marketing & Outreach (Gary Marks)
* Newsletter (Joan Dalrymple and Katie Cohen)
  + The newsletter will be published on Monday, April 25. Thanks to all who contributed!
    - **On track to publish unless there are many last minute submissions.**
    - **There are currently 11 articles and announcements from 6 different institutions.**
    - **We do not have award winners yet – perhaps a better timeline for next year would be beneficial. Working more closely with awards will be useful to ensure they are highlighted in the newsletter.**
    - **Heather and Janelle did a great job updating the website for more easy access to newsletter online – thank you!**
* Nominations (Cara Berg and Steve Shapiro)
  + Voting to take place via election runner April 25- May 6
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  + Candidates notified May 8-May 13
* Reference and User Education Committee (Joe Louderback and Kaitlyn Clohosey)
  + Last meeting was March 25, 2022. Conversation stemmed around providing reference services to faculty.
  + Next meeting will be Friday, April 29, which will be the joint Spring Workshop with the Assessment Committee. Workshop is only open to members of the Ref/User Ed and Assessment Committees.
  + Planning conversations for Summer Workshop with Assessment Committee will commence after Spring Workshop. Date and Time TBD
    - **Planning to meet the week after the joint workshop.**
* Technology (Maria Deptula)

**Next Meeting: May 20, 2022 -** [**https://fdu.zoom.us/j/98474426600**](https://fdu.zoom.us/j/98474426600)

**June Transition Meeting poll will come out in May.**