

Reference & Instruction Division Business Meeting

October 13, 2021 via Zoom

Present: Allie Stevens (Chair); Janice Weddle (Vice Chair); Shawna Thorup (Secretary); Chelsea Young; Jessica Riedmueller; Joy DuPont; Lacy Wolfe; Michael O'Connell; Pamela Meridith; Susie Kirk

The meeting was called to order at 3:32 p.m.

1. Community of interest paperwork needs to be filed.
 - a. Allie Stevens will be the contact person for the first filing of paperwork.
 - b. Everyone present confirmed they are ArLA members in good standing and asked to be included on the membership list. 5 more members are needed.
 - c. Our function statement: To provide a forum for issues related to reference and instruction across various types of libraries in Arkansas.
 - d. Discussion about structure under new Community of Interest.
 - e. Through transition to Community of Interest, it was decided to keep 3 officers during this transition year and reevaluate at the 2021 meeting.
2. Elections for 2020-2021: Shawna Thorup as Chair; Jessica Riedmueller or Janice Weddle as Vice-Chair depending upon ArLA election results; Allie Stevens as Secretary. Unanimously elected.
3. Reminder of our Conference program, The Google Effect Program.
4. Thanks to Allie for her 2 years of service.
5. Ideas for Reference Exchange Day 2021
 - a. Media literacy;
 - b. health information;
 - c. Gamification in instruction (Chelsea Young);
 - d. virtual escape room (Susie Kirk)

Meeting adjourned 3:54 pm.

Minutes by Shawna Thorup