

CALA Minutes
January 27, 2009
Columbus Public Library-Synovus Room – A

The meeting began about 6 p.m. with 21 people in attendance with Carole Burke presiding.

Old Business

1. Mike Shadix reported we have a balance of \$1,069.00 and it did not include dues, which were paid during the meeting.
2. Nancy Walhstrom, subbing for Diane Whitehurst, indicated the project library would like a maximum of two each of the titles identified earlier and preferred the highlighted ones.

Sherrie Floyd proposed CALA contribute \$200 for the purchase of the books, members could donate additional monies, and we should take advantage of the used book sales. This proposal was accepted by the members in attendance. Upon further discussion about the project, a book project committee (Nancy, Diane Whitehurst, and Camille Walkinshaw) will purchase the books before April in order to allow time to insert our CALA bookplate. (Carole has the CALA book plate file created by Wanda Edwards) The books will be distributed during National Library Week in April. Donations earmarked for the book project should be given to Mike. Mike will track the donations separately in our accounting system. He will write one check to the book project committee including the CALA \$200 and donations.

3. Linda Jones, LIBRA Award Committee, presented information about the 2009 LIBRA Award nominee, Sandra Stratford. Instead of a paper ballot, Nancy proposed we accept the nomination. The members in attendance voted yes.
4. Although the COMO Conference is not until October, discussion centered on having an information table about local restaurants, their menus, and handouts. Action was tabled.

New Business

1. Carole indicated Yamil of Amos Library will host a visitation on March 19th at 4 p.m. However, Ericka Loze-Hudson thought there were some conflicts and would check with Yamil. Carole said she would email everyone with the confirmed date later.

Also, the location and date/time of the May meeting will be considered

later. The new Infantry Museum and new Terry Library were suggested but the Terry Library opening has been changed due to construction.

2. Carole indicated that there will be three openings for new officers, president-elect, secretary, and treasurer. She asked for volunteers to identify a slate for our May meeting. Ericka and Sherrie volunteered.
3. No additional new business

Announcements

1. Ericka indicated the Donovan Library is now in its temporary facility next to the old PX for the next three years. Also, all occupants of cars accessing Ft. Benning must have ID.
2. Stephanie Middleton said Donald Davis will be at Columbus Tech (P100) and all are invited to his Feb 6th presentation at 4 p.m.
3. Erma Banks explained that the African-American Read-In (students, faculty and other interested folks reading for five minutes from the favorite African American author) will be held on February 3rd at 12:30 p.m. at Schwob Library.
4. Robin Shader, Columbus Public Library, mentioned their new electronic resource, Overdrive. Overdrive contains popular book titles, which can be downloaded free for those who have a library card.
5. Wanda pointed out CPL's Used Book Sale on Feb 7th and 8th.
6. Ericka said the Big Read kick-off is March 7th and the title is Adventures of Tom Sawyer.
7. Stephanie Middleton recommended Gloria Battle as a good speaker. Ms. Battle has been on NPR and she talks about her experiences with Martin Luther King, Jr., Jackie Robinson, and other well-known individuals.
8. Callie McGinnis indicated over 100 individuals watched the inaugural day events on a television set up in CSU's Schwob Library.

The meeting was adjourned about 7 p.m.

Carole R. Burke, January 29, 2009