Georgia Library Association – New Members Round Table

January 28, 2011

8 people in attendance.

Meeting conducted by Chair – Ashley Dupuy, and Vice-Chair – Natalie Clewell Clayton State University, GLA Mid-Winter Conference

- I. Ashley reviewed the agenda.
  - a. Introduced the current committee, and thanked outgoing chair, Shelley Smith and Atlanta Emerging Librarian (AEL) committee.
  - b. Announced Vice-Chair, Natalie Clewell, was a recipient of ALA's NMRT/3M grant for professional development. She will be attending ALA Annual in New Orleans, LA in June.
  - c. Reviewed the programs completed by AEL. Several very successful programs, including Mingle with the Admins.
- II. Introduced incoming AEL committee.
- III. Opened discussion on 2011 goals and ideas.
  - a. COMO:
    - i. Virginia Fehrer suggested a panel about older students with experience making the transition into the library profession.
    - ii. "What I didn't learn in library school"
    - iii. Program on presentation skills, resume and cover letters. Including samples.
  - b. AEL:
    - i. Will continue their programming.
  - c. General NMRT events/programs:
    - i. Networking happy hours. Natalie Clewell will begin putting these together. The first event is projected for April.
    - ii. Mentoring programs. Ashley noted the need to work with other organizations that already have mentoring programs (i.e. SELA). But to encourage NMRT participants, and to encourage GLA members to mentor.
    - iii. Connect with students/library schools. NMRT needs to reach out to library school listservs to encourage student participation in GLA. AEL is already doing an excellent job of communicating events, but it needs to be more clear that AEL is part of GLA and NMRT. NMRT needs to work on building relationships with students.
    - iv. Wiki: A lot needs to be done with this. Any volunteers would be appreciated. Need to determine the scope and content of the wiki and revamp what has been done in the past. How does this fit in with wider GLA information?
- IV. No questions/concerns from group.
- V. Meeting Adjourned.