

**GLA PARAPROFESSIONAL DIVISION MEETING  
MINUTES  
February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

The meeting was held online via Skype at 2:05 p.m.

**Attendance**

Dawn Dale, Marcellous Grace, Denita Hampton, Laura Herndon, and Karen Walton.

**Business**

Denita Hampton opening with the statement that the Paraprofessional Division presentation “Out with the Old and In with the New: Reinventing Yourself” will be held from 2:20 to 3:30 p.m. in the Cypress Room on Thursday, Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> at GaCOMO 2011. Each presenter will have 10 minutes in which to speak about their situation. Denita Hampton will introduce the topic and speak about the experience of employees moving between departments due to changes at her library. Dawn Dale will focus on being a willing participant and volunteering for tasks, Marcellous Grace will bring a bibliography of books and articles as a handout, Laura Herndon will talk about finishing her MLS degree, monitoring the library field for new trends such as increasing electronic resources and considering work opportunities outside of the library. Karen Walton will speak about transitioning into her new department when she foresaw the demise of other library departments.

A speaking order was proposed of Denita Hampton opening, followed by Dawn Dale, Laura Herndon, and Karen Walton with Marcellous Grace closing as he will have the handouts.

Marcellous Grace asked when the GLA Paraprofessional Grant Awards would be presented, which will occur during the GLA Banquet Thursday evening. It was suggested that Denita Hampton should email the awardees encouraging them to attend the Paraprofessional presentations to familiarize themselves with the members and what they do. All members are encouraged to attend Christian Steinmetz’s presentation at 10:00 a.m. in the Cypress Room Thursday morning.

The last order of business concerned the possibility of holding a business meeting after the 2:20 presentation and the election of officers, which may have to be postponed until the January Winter Planning meeting.

**Adjournment**

The meeting was concluded at 2:41 p.m.

Submitted by  
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