GLA Paraprofessional Division Meeting Minutes October 6th, 2016

This meeting was held at the GA COMO conference at 9:00 am.

Attendance

Amy Hicks, Ginny Van Orsdale, Ashawna Green, Jo Fortner, Linda Vankley, Moira Blackflower, Dawn Dale, Karen Manning, Amanda Roper, Annissa Roberts, Tangela McKibbens, Hillary Denson, Joseph Miller, Janice Shipp

Business

There was discussion regarding the amount of the scholarship. Voted unanimously that the grant should either be increased or that the registration costs continue to be covered.

Also discussed revamping the GLA website and keeping the minutes from meetings, current. The site possibly needs more support on the paraprofessional page.

Karen mentioned that moving forward, whomever is selected as Chair, needs to be informed about all, including input on specific roles.

We revisited the proposal of a name change from "Paraprofessional" to "Library Support Staff." Hopefully, with the recent conference name change to Georgia Library Conference, this will be an easy transition for the committee to decide on.

Karen Manning will be Chair. Amanda Roper volunteered for Vice-Chair and to help with social media on the Facebook page. Moira (Mo) Blackflower said she could also help with social media if needed. Mo accepted the role of secretary.

Adjournment

The meeting concluded at 9:59 am.

Submitted by Moira Blackflower October 13, 2016