

# GLA Reference and Instruction Interest Group Business Meeting

## Georgia Libraries Conference

Columbus, GA

October 4, 2018

11:00 – 11:45 PM

### Minutes

#### Welcome

- Angiah Davis welcomed the group to RISIG and introduced the officers:
  - Anigah Davis, RISIG Chair
  - Catherine Mancini, RISIG Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect
  - Teresa Nesbitt, RISIG Secretary

#### Summary of 2017-2018 projects/events

Angiah discussed what RISIG has accomplished this year, including:

- The RISIG-sponsored GLC presentation “Best Practices in Reference and Instruction Lightning Talks” (10/3/18)
- RISIG social at Grindhouse Burgers (7/28/18)
- The ‘Monthly Minute,’ a reference and instruction-oriented professional development digest compiled and distributed monthly to the GLA listserv
- Upcoming professional development opportunities (like a webinar) in the works.

#### Future Plans

Angiah opened the floor for suggestions for future programs, professional development opportunities, and events.

- **Lightning Round:** Paula Adams solicited feedback on the 10/3 Lightning Round presentation. Group consensus was positive, citing the scope of topics, networking opportunities, and range of perspectives. General interest in the lightning round format for next year’s GLC presentation as well.
- **Listserv:** Angiah suggested reviving the defunct RISIG listserv.

- ***Professional development webinar series:*** Brittani Sterling suggested a RISIG-run webinar series for newcomers to the profession, giving a general introduction to a ‘day in the life’ of academic librarianship, plus valuable skills to learn/develop before entering the field.
- ***Potential research/presentation topics:***
  - Gender balance in academic librarianship
  - How to put together a library event or lesson plan
  - Using universal design for learning & other instructional design principles in library instruction (potential collaboration with NCTE)
  - The future of reference in academic libraries
  - Sharing non-traditional approaches to reference
- ***RISIG Social***
  - Catherine Mancini proposed another social, this time with more formal topics of discussion to facilitate idea sharing & networking. She also suggested reaching beyond the Atlanta area and hosting simultaneous meetings across Georgia, with each group sharing their discussion summaries

### **Upcoming RISIG Elections**

Angiah and Catherine reminded attendees that RISIG officer elections will be held at the 2019 GLA Midwinter meeting, and encouraged members to consider running for vice chair or secretary.

### **List of Attendees**

- Angiah Davis (Chair)
- Catherine Mancini (Vice Chair)
- Teresa Nesbitt (Secretary)
- Paula Adams
- Leslie Drost
- Evelyn Merk
- Alyssa Kowis
- Laura Wright
- Beth Sheppard

- Brittani Sterling
- Vivian Bynoe
- Rosie Robledo
- Virginia Feher
- Mary Holmes
- Michelle Jones
- Kim Callahan
- Stephanie Miranda
- Deidad Vega