

Georgia Library Association Black Caucus
Georgia Library Conference 2022
October 13th, 2022

- BIPOC Professional Development Grant (Travel Grant)
 - BIPOC-chosen for inclusivity
 - Scholarship, grant, or stand-alone?
 - A vote revealed that the majority of members wants it to be a stand-alone grant
 - Who manages the scholarship/grant?
 - If it's a GLA Strategic Plan, should it be funded by GLA?
 - GLA-related conference?
 - A majority vote revealed that just being a part of GLC would be good enough
 - "Priority will be given to first-time attendees" instead of solely to first-time attendees
 - The majority vote was for the grant to be \$500
 - Someone suggested writing an outside grant
 - Someone else suggested setting up a donation to just GLA BC
- Officers for Election
 - Accepting nominations (unofficially)
 - Check off Black Caucus to receive listserv messages
 - Can sign up for BCALA without being an ALA member
- General Ideas: What should we focus on in 2023?
 - A mix of in-person and virtual events
 - More mixers- so we can build community
 - Someone suggested a stand-alone website (we have one, and after the meeting, Roy Cummings volunteered to do some work on the website)
 - Having more of a web presence was suggested; we also talked about Facebook being our primary social media platform, with Instagram as a secondary platform.
 - Someone suggested us having more trainings
 - Someone else suggested service projects for the group
 - It was discussed that we should send out calls for contributions for the newsletter
 - We talked about having a meet-and-greet social at the Auburn Research Library in November, including a tour

- More tours was a welcomed idea by the group
- It was suggested that there be a Black mentorship program
- Someone also suggested having a directory of black leaders within the field in Georgia