
Collection Development Interest Group

Meeting Minutes

GLA Mid-Winter

Friday, January 6, 2023, 2:15pm

Call to order

Meeting was called to order by Chair Benjamin Barton.

Members in Attendance

Benjamin Barton, Melanie C. Duncan, Rosemary Humphrey, Patricia Kenly, Sarah Trowbridge, Betty Wright

Acceptance of Meeting Minutes

No old minutes.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Fill out attendance form posted in chat.

Introduction of New Officers for 2023

- Chair – Benjamin Barton
- Vice-Chair – Position open
- Secretary – Melanie C. Duncan

History

The Collection Development Interest Group was inactive for the past year or so, according to Rosemary Humphrey, GLA Interest Group Council Chair. A past Collection Development chair, Benjamin Barton, wanted to keep the group active and growing, so he ran for chair again.

Statement of Purpose, read by Chair Benjamin Barton

“The purpose of the Collection Development Interest Group is to promote the discussion and exchange of ideas related to library collection development. This includes collection management, selection tools and processes, and collection development policies. Other possible topics of discussion include collection assessment and evaluation, fiscal management and budgeting, and preservation of materials.” -- <https://gla.georgialibraries.org/interest-groups/>

Open Discussion of Potential Program Topics

- Diversity audits
- Collection comparison for university audit
- Collection development guidance
- Book challenges (potentially partner with Intellectual Freedom Interest Group?)
 - Strong collection development policy in place
 - Train staff on how to handle book challenges
- How to decide which formats to purchase for your collection
- Vendor negotiations

- Repairing vs Replacing items
- How are collections meeting needs of visually & physically challenged, patrons with dementia & other mental challenges, and other underserved populations

Announcements

- Members are requested to review the group by-laws on the Georgia Library Association website. They were last updated in 2020. Please bring to the officers' attention at collectiondevelopment@georgialibraryassociation.org if you have any suggestions or see an issue.
- Call for Collection Development Vice-Chair nominees. Sarah Trowbridge expressed an interest.
- Budget requests are due to GLA by Friday Jan. 20, 2023. Suggestions for an in-person, virtual or hybrid sponsored event, programming, workshop, speaker, or other idea related to collection development should be emailed to collectiondevelopment@georgialibraryassociation.org as soon as possible. The typical budget overall is a few hundred dollars, and the group must publicize the event as sponsored by GLA and provide information about joining GLA. An example of a previous program sponsored by the Collection Development Interest Group involved Collection Assessment with regards to Diversity, and was held at West Georgia University.
- Budget requests for sponsoring a presentation at the Georgia Library Conference have a separate funding and deadline. A presentation may also be shared with another Interest Group with similar interests, like Technical Services or Intellectual Freedom.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 3:18pm.

Respectfully submitted by
Melanie C. Duncan
Secretary

October 12, 2023
Date of approval