Meeting Minutes Utah Library Association Reference and Adult Services Round Table

Thursday, March 16, 2017, 1:00 pm Held in the West Jordan Library Conference Room West Jordan Library, 8030 South 1825 West, West Jordan, Utah 84088

Attending

Chair Dan Berube (SL County), Linda Gee (SL County), Cherie Willis (Salt Lake City), Gerrit Van Dyke (BYU), Nia Thimakis (SL County), Wanda Mae Huffaker (SL County), and Secretary Adrea Lund (Grand County).

The meeting was called to order and minutes from January 19, 2017 were approved.

Digital Inclusion Workshop

Members agreed that the Digital Inclusion Workshop held at the West Jordan Library on February 3rd was a great success. The workshop attracted 39 attendees. Dan showed members how anyone can access the workshop's presentation materials and resources on Google Drive by visiting RASRT's page on the ULA website. Here is the link - https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/0B0TGEbvUKI2NNVZHUTMtN2dqSzA.

RASRT Sponsored Webinars

Leslie Schow and Liz Sollis's webinar Social Media "Share the Love" held on Thursday, March 9th had around 29 attendees. The webinar had some technical difficulties with the sound. Wanda reported difficulty logging into the training. It was recorded and will eventually be available for viewing on the Utah State Library's website. Members discussed future trainings and discussed sponsoring a train the trainer webinar in late summer or early fall 2017.

Bingham Creek Fake News Program

Members asked Wanda for a report on the Fake News program held at Bingham Creek Library on Friday, March 3rd. Wanda reported that it was successful with about 22 attendees and a broad range of ages and political views. Members discussed future trainings on this subject for librarians who would then be more prepared to host meetings in their own communities. Members discussed co-sponsoring a webinar on the subject of fake news with ULA's Intellectual Freedom committee.

2017 ULA Conference RASRT Social

The social will be held on Wednesday, May 17th at 6:00 pm, at the Asian Star restaurant in Midvale, UT. RARST has a reservation for 25 people and it will be a pay your own way dinner. Members are welcome to bring a guest. Dan will contact Barbara Hopkins and ask her to send an early email announcing the event. That early email will be followed up with an email closer to the conference asking people to rsvp in order to attend. Dan will confirm that Asian Star has gluten-free, vegetarian, and allergy friendly options. Members discussed taking photos at the social to post on RASRT's webpage.

2017-2018 Officers

Leslie Schow will be RASRT's next chair. The 2017-2018 vice-chair position is currently open. Adrea informed members that her course schedule next fall will not allow as much time for travel, so she will not be able to serve another term as secretary. Members interested in the vice-chair or secretary portion are encouraged to contact Dan or Leslie. Dan stated that he plans to review the RASRT webpage with Leslie prior to her taking office.

New Member Recruitment

Current members discussed methods for recruiting new members and ideas included: 1) Current members passing names of potential new members along to the chair and having the chair personally invite them to a meeting. 2) Asking library directors outside of Salt Lake County to suggest participants. These recruitment ideas will be revisited at the business meeting in May. Members discussed purchasing refreshments for the business meeting. Dan will look into the logistics of having food at the business meeting and also look into purchasing some RASRT promotional items to pass out at the 2017 conference.

Next Meeting

RASRT's next meeting will be held Friday, May 19th at 8:00 am, at the South Towne Expo Center in Sandy, UT.