W&M Libraries Professional Assembly (LPA) Minutes

Thursday, June 30, 2019 9:00 – 10:00am
Swem Library, Ford Classroom

Present:
Sara Belmont (secretary), James Glosson (member-at-large), Katherine McKenzie, Kaitlyn Sisk, Alex Flores, Anna Milholland, Mary Oberlies, Kate McAllister, Natasha McFarland, Troy Davis, Marian Taliaferro, Candice Benjes-Smalls, Libby McDaniel, Kristy Borda (co-chair), Laura Morales (co-chair), Michael Umberger, David Morales, Rebecca Beasley, Tami Back, Debbie Cornell

Laura Morales called the meeting to order at 9:05am.

- Confirmation of quorum for elections.
- Kristy gave an overview of the LPA for new members, and everyone introduced themselves

I. Elections for Co-Chair, Secretary and Member-at-Large

- The co-chairs gave an overview of the Executive Committee and the positions being voted on
- No calls for a secret ballot
- Candidates:
  o Mary Oberlies (Swem): Co-Chair – unanimous approval
  o Sara Belmont (Swem): Secretary - unanimous approval
  o Michael Umberger (Law): Member-at-Large - unanimous approval

II. Professional Development Committee update

- Recap of the year’s past activities:
  o January week of no meetings
  o Various webinars
  o Visit to the new McLeod Wellness Center
  o #randomcoffee event this summer
- Call for new members – Kristy to send an email inviting anyone interested to join

III. Other updates

- PPFA report
  o This is David Morales’ last year on the PPFA. We should encourage library professionals to consider running in the next election in the spring, 2020
  o Most recent work of the PPFA was looking at the performance review evaluation system with administration and suggesting changes. While no changes were made this year, it is still a work in progress
  o Meetings are mostly informational and anyone can attend. It’s a good way to keep informed on what’s going on around campus – building plans, searches, etc. Meetings are monthly and more information can be found at https://www.wm.edu/sites/proffaculty/
  o Members are required to serve on one of the committees, and generally meet twice a month

Meeting adjourned at 9:25.

Respectfully submitted,
Sara Belmont, secretary