WLA Technical Services Section Minutes
May 4, 2022
11AM

Recording link: https://youtu.be/4iHwaH1nQIg

AGENDA:

1. Call to order
2. Introductions - National Star Wars Day - Who is your favorite character and why?
3. Project ideas
   a. Newsletter? - this can be burdensome - maybe add to the WLA newsletter more consistently. See action item 6c.
   b. Virtual tours of our TSS workspaces. Possibly do this and then share the link to the video to the listserv or bulletin
   c. Mentor spotlight: What does being a mentor mean? Instead of mentor maybe do a short bio on members
   d. Other thoughts
      i. How do you handle cataloging for unique library items. Kits vs equipment vs cakepans.
      ii. Collect web pages for the tools and resources tab of the TSS professional development and resources workbook (TSS Professional Development and Resources Workbook_last edit Jan22 - Google Sheets)
      iii. Create another tab for workbook (see link above) to include current issues with possible solutions. Could this live on our page in the TSS section of the WLA website?
   e. WLA - Technical Services Think Tank Panel Possible ideas
      i. Cataloging tips
      ii. ILS investigation
      iii. Workflow tips/tricks (ie fading label alternatives)
      iv. Highlighting Resources i..e. MCFLS: Graphic novel cataloging guide, how do you know if it's a game or a kit?
4. Discussion - Rename the section?
   a. What isTechnical Services called in your building?
      i. Collection Management?
      ii. Reflect CORE?
   b. What are some challenges for public libraries
      i. Resources and time
      ii. Requests for reconsideration
      iii. Incorporating good EDI practices into workflows
      iv. Unintentional Self Censorship
   c. What are some challenges for academic libraries
      i. Need more structure
      ii. Too much backlog
      iii. Mental exhaustion

          iv. DEIA practices in workflows

5. Other Business
   a. Future meeting dates all at 11am
      i. May 4
      ii. July 13
      iii. Sept 7
      iv. Nov 9 (tentative)
6. Action items
   a. Beth will help update TSS page in organization chart
   b. Jackee will send directions on how to email the TSS listserv group questions
   c. Jen and Jackee will work on blurb for TSS listserv and WLA bulletin. Will ask for technical services issues. Include a form to fill out and have answers go to a spreadsheet.
7. Adjourn 11:55am

Present: Jackee Johnson, Gina Rae, Deb Faulhaber, Alison Hoffman, Bethany Bulgirin, Cheryl Nessman, Emylie Fossell, Jody Hanneman, Nate Pflager, Katie Sanders, Bonnie Clausen, Amy Eisenschink, Jen Schmidt, Beth Betchel, Nic Ashman.

Respectfully submitted by Amy Eisenschink