

## **NCLA Executive Board Reports, January 2024**

### **ALA Council**

**Highlights:** ALA Council Meetings at LibLearnX Jan 20 & 21

**Planned Events:** PLA April 3-5 Columbus Ohio; ALA Annual June 26-July 2 San Diego

**Biennium Goal Reporting:** NA

**Collaboration Request:** NA

**Detailed Report:** see attached

**Was any supporting documentation uploaded?** Yes

**If yes, link(s) to documentation:** <https://drive.google.com/open?id=1G9xit2QhBZTAkdHCnWHd0GRzQ548nrBx>

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### **Archives**

**Highlights:** Nothing to report

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**Submitted by:** Pamela Mason ([pmason6@uncc.edu](mailto:pmason6@uncc.edu))

### **Assoc. of College and Research Libraries (ACRL)-NC Chapter**

**Highlights:** We are starting to plan a webinar series. Our first one will be February 21 at noon on AI and academic libraries.

**Planned Events:** February 21, noon, still working on the name, but I'll submit it when that's firmed up.

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**Submitted by:** Breanne Crumpton ([crumptonbe@appstate.edu](mailto:crumptonbe@appstate.edu))

### **Business Librarianship in NC**

**Highlights:** The BLINC Winter Workshop covering basics of the American Community Survey and using Social Explorer for business research was on January 12, 2024, at Elon University. The new leadership team is comprised of representatives from all library types who participate in BLINC.

**Planned Events:** NCLive Advanced Data Axle Training, 2/29

<https://statelibrary.ncdcr.libcal.com/event/11815997>

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### **Community and Junior College Libraries**

**Highlights:** Team discussed potential events for the coming year.

**Planned Events:** Virtual Digital Literacy workshop scheduled for March 27th at 2pm. Cara McConnell from Johnson Community College will present and then open up the remainder of the workshop for open discussion.

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**Submitted by:** Dana Glauner ([dglauner@spcc.edu](mailto:dglauner@spcc.edu))

### **Conference Planning**

**Highlights:** A site selection committee for 2027 has been formed with Dawn Behrend as chair. They met to start the process of possible sites and visiting them as well as sending requests for proposals for the upcoming conference. I will be contacting previous conference committee members to see if they are interested in serving on the committee this year. I also want to take this opportunity to ask board members to contact me if you are interested in serving. Please also pass this request on to your section and/or committee members.

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**Submitted by:** Lara Luck ([vicepresident@nclaonline.org](mailto:vicepresident@nclaonline.org))

### **Constitution, Codes and Handbook Revisions**

**Highlights:** CCH committee members reviewed motions from President Behrend to dissolve the Distance Learning Section, and a motion to stagger the terms for ALA Councilor and SELA Rep.

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**Submitted by:** Lorrie Russell ([cch@nclaonline.org](mailto:cch@nclaonline.org))

## Distance Learning - no report submitted

## Development - no report submitted

### Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

**Highlights:** The group worked on updating its membership and developing a quarterly newsletter.

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**Submitted by:** Rodrigo Castro ([castror@wfu.edu](mailto:castror@wfu.edu))

### Finance

**Highlights:** The Finance Committee has not met this past quarter but a timeline has been created for preparing and submitting a proposed 2024 budget to the Executive Board. An email asking for budget requests will be sent out a few days after the 1st Qtr Executive Board meeting in late January.

**Was any supporting documentation uploaded?** No

**Submitted by:** Paul Birkhead ([paul.birkhead@rowcountync.gov](mailto:paul.birkhead@rowcountync.gov))

### Government Resources

**Highlights:** Reached to the Regional Depository Librarian in Chapel Hill regarding our proposed summer meeting/workshop. Received a positive response. Also working on a survey to be sent to depository librarians in NC, in cooperation with the Regional Depository Librarian.

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**Submitted by:** David Durant ([durantd@ecu.edu](mailto:durantd@ecu.edu))

### Intellectual Freedom

**Highlights:** Conference helped recruit new members for the intellectual freedom committee, and we now have 7 members. Our next meeting is January 23, 2024. Quarterly emails continue to be sent out to the membership with updates and resources. IFC has been invited by DEI to partner on a newsletter. At the end of January, IFC will be sending out a survey to NC directors requesting information regarding their material challenges and concerns. NCPLDA president has agreed to email this survey request to their distribution list for IFC. The Committee would like to have good data on the IF challenges within our state to better support our membership and provide direction for advocacy. Anne was asked to participate on a quick team for ALA OIF. The team is working on directions and a narrative for the new book resumes that will be available to all on the UniteAgainstBookBans website – target date January 15, 2024. A book resume is a compilation of reviews, awards, accolades, target audience, and subject headings a specific book has received – which are among the credentials librarians and educators use when selecting materials.

**Biennium Goal Reporting:** all goals have been met

**Collaboration Request:** DEI

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**Submitted by:** Anne Mavian ([amavian@cmlibrary.org](mailto:amavian@cmlibrary.org))

### Leadership, Administration and Management

**Highlights:** Biennial Report

**Detailed Report:** Biennial Report for LAMS April 2022: The board focused on updating LAMS web pages, creating a leadership portal, and curating materials for it. Plans for trauma-informed leadership programming were made. Newsletter progress, positive feedback, and plans for the next issue were discussed. July 2022: Worked on the Summer Edition of LAMS Letters. Faced challenges balancing workloads with professional development. There was interest in bringing back a leadership book or professional article discussion. October 2022: A meeting was planned to discuss the next newsletter, winter programming, book discussion schedule, and conference planning. January 2023: There was a membership decrease, and the budget was around \$3500. The Leadership Institute went well, with a focus on personal growth in the upcoming newsletter. The board sought increased participation and sponsorship of NC Live leadership workshops. April 2023: A virtual discussion on managing change and a book discussion on "Making Things Right at Work" took place. Conference plans were discussed, and the decision was made not to present this year, focusing on reworking training for 2024. There was consideration of a survey

for a revised "Present Like a Pro" and preparation for a social gathering/meetup during the conference. July 2023: The board meeting reviewed the budget and membership. Positive feedback was received on the book discussion on "Making Things Right at Work." Preparation for the fall newsletter with articles on community, book recommendations, and promotion of conference sessions was underway. Plans for a social event at the conference and discussions about LAMS' purpose and future meeting dates were also part of the agenda. October 2023: A business meeting at the conference included the induction of new members, discussion of roles and responsibilities, and brainstorming ideas for the next biennium. The reports covered updates on website development, programming, newsletters, financial status, membership, Leadership Institute, and conference planning across multiple quarters. Submitted by Brandy Hamilton, LAMS Chair 2022-23

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**Submitted by:** Brandy Hamilton ([brandy.hamilton@wake.gov](mailto:brandy.hamilton@wake.gov))

## **Leadership Institute**

**Highlights:** The North Carolina Library Association Leadership Institute has convened its new Planning Committee three times since the NCLA Conference in October. During those meetings, updates have been made to the call for mentors and mentees, the LI portion of the NCLA website, and progress has been made on securing a Facilitator for the LI retreat. The call for both mentors and mentees will go out on Friday, January 19 with mentor applications due Friday, March 1 and mentee/participant applications due Friday, April 5.

**Planned Events:** The Blueridge YMCA in Black Mountain has been secured once again for the LI retreat, which will take place Tuesday, September 10, 2024 through Friday, September 13, 2024.

**Collaboration Request:** The LI Planning Committee asks all sections to start looking at their budgets and considering what they might be able to contribute to the LI and the retreat (scholarships for accepted participants in need, books for small groups, swag, etc.).

**Detailed Report:** The following individuals make up the Planning Committee for the 2024-2025 Leadership Institute: Joel Ferdon, Chair—Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools Dawn Behrend, Lenoir-Rhyne University Mike Crumpton, UNC-G Melissa Kamerer, Wake County Public Libraries Jenny Markham, Catawba County Public Library Colleen Pinyan, Guilford County Schools Rachel Olsen, UNC-G Jenneffer Sixkiller, UNC-W Megan W. Smith, UNC-W

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**Submitted by:** Joel Ferdon ([joelh.ferdon@cms.k12.nc.us](mailto:joelh.ferdon@cms.k12.nc.us))

## **Library Advocacy and Legislative - no report submitted**

### **Literacy**

**Highlights:** Reached out to the representative for Smart Start to inquire about a possible 30-minute recorded presentation to post to our section's site.

**Biennium Goal Reporting:** Continue collaboration with Smart Start.

**Was any supporting documentation uploaded?** No

**Submitted by:** Michelle Osborne ([michelle.osborne@gastongov.com](mailto:michelle.osborne@gastongov.com))

## **Marketing - no report submitted**

## **Membership - no report submitted**

### **NC Library Paraprofessional Association**

**Highlights:** Nothing to report

**Planned Events:** Currently no planned events, but will have some planned before the end of the next quarter

**Was any supporting documentation uploaded?** No

**Submitted by:** Nita Williams ([nwilliam@highpoint.edu](mailto:nwilliam@highpoint.edu))

### **NC School Library Media Association**

**Highlights:** Nothing to report

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**Submitted by:** Delandrus Seales ([sealesd@uncw.edu](mailto:sealesd@uncw.edu))

## **New Members - no report submitted**

## **Nominating**

**Highlights:** Nothing to report

**Was any supporting documentation uploaded?** No

**Submitted by:** Libby Stone ([pastpresident@nclaonline.org](mailto:pastpresident@nclaonline.org))

## **North Carolina Libraries**

**Highlights:** Work is beginning on the next issue. I hope to publish two issues during the next fiscal year.

**Was any supporting documentation uploaded?** No

**Submitted by:** Joseph Thomas ([thomasw@ecu.edu](mailto:thomasw@ecu.edu))

## **President - see Conference Planning report**

## **Public Library**

**Highlights:** Sponsored panel on Intellectual Freedom/Book Challenges and a Wine and Cheese event with bestselling author Etaf Rum at the NCLA conference.

**Planned Events:** Tentatively for September/October of 2024 - Fabulous Fridays Mini Conference. Exact date and location still TBD.

**Was any supporting documentation uploaded?** No

**Submitted by:** Carrie Lee ([carrie.lee@wake.gov](mailto:carrie.lee@wake.gov))

## **Reference and Adult Services**

**Highlights:** We had a first in-person business meeting on October 19th at Winston-Salem and discussed about the future plans for this section. We also discussed about combining two positions of Secretary and Treasurer to one position to align with other sections and also we don't have any one interested for Treasurer position in our 2023 election. Also, we have some opening positions for College & University Representative, Public Library Representative, and two Member-at-Large positions are not filled in 2023 election.

**Planned Events:** We will have our first board meeting on 1/17/2024 to discuss about the possibilities of changes of our section and future plans and activities.

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## **Resources and Technical Services**

**Highlights:** None

**Detailed Report:** No Report

**Was any supporting documentation uploaded?** No

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## **Roundtable on Ethnic & Minority Concerns**

**Highlights:** Winter 2024 REMCo Newsletter (Release Jan 22nd)

**Planned Events:** Nothing to report (Developmental phase)

**Biennium Goal Reporting:** In-person meet and greet new and past members Townhall programs (hearing from our members) Continued Cultural Conversation Programs

**Detailed Report:** The new executive board took over REMCo during the business meeting at the 65th biannual conference. Carlos Grooms (Chair) has had meetings monthly since October 2023. The board members took the meeting opportunities to discuss future programs, professional development ideas, and potential REMCo partnerships. During this time, one of our co-directors stepped down from the position. The E-board is in the process of selecting a new co-director according to our by-laws. The e-board completed its first newsletter of the 2023-2025 session set to publish on January 22nd.

**Was any supporting documentation uploaded?** No

**Submitted by:** Carlos Grooms ([cgrooms@elon.edu](mailto:cgrooms@elon.edu))

## **Scholarships**

**Highlights:** Nothing to report

**Was any supporting documentation uploaded?** No

**Submitted by:** Katy Henderson ([katy.henderson@chathamlibraries.org](mailto:katy.henderson@chathamlibraries.org))

## **Southeast Library Association (SELA) Representative**

**Highlights:** SELA Executive Board will not meet again until March 2024.

**Planned Events:** SELA will host a stand alone conference July 15-16, 2024 in Huntsville, AL. The planning committee is starting to gather information, and will share programs and schedules soon.

**Biennium Goal Reporting:** N/A

**Collaboration Request:** N/A

**Detailed Report:** N/A

**Was any supporting documentation uploaded?** No

**Submitted by:** Lorrie Russell ([sela@nclaonline.org](mailto:sela@nclaonline.org))

## **Special Collections**

**Highlights:** Roundtable on Special Collections: Recruitment for new officers for the Roundtable took place. Several candidates put their name forward and were elected at the annual meeting. The new officers for the Roundtable are as follows: Chair: Kathelene McCarty Smith; Past Chair: Jessica Janecki; Vice Chair: Travis Southern; Secretary/Treasurer: Stacey Krim; Director (Communications): Alston Cobourn; Director (Programming): Jennifer Daugherty. The Roundtable had a Meet and Greet at the NCLA Biennial Conference (October 2023) and can report a good turnout. Currently, programming is being discussed for the upcoming year.

**Was any supporting documentation uploaded?** No

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## **STEM-LINC**

**Highlights:** Sent out a second request for nominations for the STEM-LINC Executive Board. Currently, 2 positions have 0 candidates. The election is currently in progress and a decision will need to be made on the Chair position.

**Planned Events:** STEM-LINC Elections

**Biennium Goal Reporting:** Biennium goals will be reviewed once the Executive Board is in place in February

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**Submitted by:** J. Denice Lewis ([stemlinc.chair@nclaonline.org](mailto:stemlinc.chair@nclaonline.org))

## **Technology and Trends**

**Highlights:** Nothing to report

**Planned Events:** Nothing to report

**Biennium Goal Reporting:** Nothing to report

**Detailed Report:** Nothing to report

**Was any supporting documentation uploaded?** No

**Submitted by:** Nora Burmeister ([nkburm@email.unc.edu](mailto:nkburm@email.unc.edu))

## **Web and Technologies Support**

**Highlights:** We met in January 2024 to discuss roles and splitting up work; training of managing the [web@nclaonline.org](mailto:web@nclaonline.org) email address and google admin

**Planned Events:** Need to discuss the role of the NCLA listserv, is it staying or going from this committee? We think it should leave, just kind of got placed here, we have plenty to do without it; will discuss this idea coming spring with Dawn

**Biennium Goal Reporting:** Maintain website and support tech issues as they come up

**Collaboration Request:** NA

**Detailed Report:** NA

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**Submitted by:** Samantha Harlow ([slharlow@uncg.edu](mailto:slharlow@uncg.edu))

## **Women in Libraries**

**Highlights:** We now have a full slate of directors for the WILR executive board, and our membership numbers are increasing. We had our first meeting of the new biennium in January, during which we discussed takeaways from the most recent conference and ideas/practices to keep in mind for next conference, outlined our goals for the biennium, and discussed timetables for goals, postings, membership surveys, and meetings.

**Planned Events:** N/A

**Biennium Goal Reporting:** We defined our biennium goals during our first meeting of the biennium this month, so there are not a ton of updates to share yet. However, one of our ongoing goals has been to increase membership, and the current member list following the most recent conference shows an increase in WILR members. Another goal was to create a survey to ask members what kinds of topics they would like covered in future webinars and workshops, and we have begun creating this survey. Another goal was to develop a stronger online presence, and we discussed methods for this during the most recent meeting, as well as timetables for different aspects of this project.

**Collaboration Request:** N/A at the moment.

**Detailed Report:** N/A

**Was any supporting documentation uploaded?** No

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## **Youth Services**

**Highlights:** YSS met via Zoom on December 11, we discussed ideas for hosting a YSS Fall Retreat in 2024 verses quarterly meetups and workshops in regional parts of the state. We decided to survey YSS members to see what they would like to attend in this biennium, a 2-day retreat in one location or a one day workshop nearby their library. We are also in the process as a board updating YSS mission and goals.

**Biennium Goal Reporting:** Working on Biennium goals

**Was any supporting documentation uploaded?** Yes

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