

MONTHLY REPORT
AGENDA ITEM #4

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2/9-11. Attended the American Library Association (ALA) Midwinter Meeting, Denver. Participated in ALA Publishing Committee, Reference and User Services Division Board meetings. Met with vendors regarding products and services for the Westchester Library System (WLS). Met with publishers to identify speakers for Foundation Gala.

2/14 Met with Shirley Acevedo Bountempo, Exec. Dir. of LatinoU to discuss further programs, collaborations.

2/15 Chaired Public Library Director's Association meeting. Topics included role of the central library and elimination of fines for youth. With PLDA E-Content Committee, interviewed vendors for a one-platform solution for ebooks.

2/16 Met with Women's Economic Development Center (WEDC) to discuss funding for the 60+ Hours Entrepreneurial Training Program in the fall, 2018.

2/21 Led book discussion group. Began planning with Slater Center, Haitian Resource Center, others for Haitian Pride Month (May). The Library will curate a Haitian Art Show and host other programs.

2/22-23 Attended the *Library Journal* Public Library Directors Think Tank. I was invited to present on the Library's collaboration with LatinoU to support college readiness among "first-gen" youth.

2/28 Began planning for Eastview Class visits.

3/2 Published a guide to the forthcoming Public Library Association Conference, "PLA 2018 Spotlight: Tackling the Tough Topics," *Publishers Weekly*.

3/3 Provided an orientation on the Library and the Board of Trustee for new trustee Elaine Summers.

3/6 Participated in discussion on City-wide programming initiated by the Mayor's Office.

3/8 Training for Library Foundation members.

Continued to manage construction of Library café, new library entrance. New signs were installed in the Library's west wing.