

Ohio Library Council
Diversity Awareness and Resources Committee
2010 Annual Report

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Educational Efforts:

Professional Development Events:

Event Title: [Creating Thriving Library Communities: A Series for New Directors \(#4\)](#)

Location: [Columbus](#)

Date: [9/9/2010](#) Attendance: [25](#)

Brief overview (keynote speaker, session, etc.):

[Jeff Agnoli presented a diversity workshop titled, Valuing Differences in the Workplace](#)
[Kristin Shelley spoke to attendees about the Diversity Awareness and Resources committee and website.](#)

Other (video teleconferences, online courses, etc.): [Information tables at OLC Expo, Ohio Educational Library Media Association and Academic Library Association of Ohio](#)

Newsletters, Articles, or Publications:

Title: [Diversity is Our Strength](#)

Date: [9/10](#) Author(s): [Diversity Committee](#)

Topic: [brochure about our committee - distributed at the above conferences](#)

Title: [The New Face of Library Services for the Visually Impaired in Ohio](#)

Date: [12/8/10](#) Author: [Ginaya Willoughby](#)

Topic: [Ohio Library for the Blind and Physically Disabled](#)

Use of the OLC Web site: [The website has been weeded and updated, thanks to Katherine Malmquist. Pauline Kynard is working on contacting public library directors and Camille Leslie will contact academic directors about linking to our website. The above brochure includes information about the web site. Katherine has also added an Excel document that Christopher Korenowsky created with past Diversity Committee programs at various conferences to the website. Mackenzie will help with getting the Diversity Conferences hard copy programs on a document so that that can be added to the web site.](#)

Initiatives and Partnerships: [Partnerships - We partnered with both Jeff Agnoli to bring his diversity presentation to the Management Divisions's New Directors series. Young Adult Services Division's James Cook Award Committee which includes a member of the Diversity Committee \(Ginaya Willoughby\) Katherine will add it to website. Mackenzie will help with getting the Diversity Conferences hard copy programs on a document.](#)

Comments/Suggestions: Even though this past year has not seen many programs from our committee, we have worked on and completed most of our goals and objectives. We are still hoping to get an article about the Ohio Library for the Blind and Physically Disabled which is now a part of Cleveland Public Library in Access before the end of the year. The one objective that did not get completed was sponsoring a student membership in OLC under the goal - Encourage MLIS students, library paraprofessionals and librarians to participate in OLC, in order to honor the diversity of our capacities and positions within the library community and to ensure that inclusion efforts continue in the future.
