



Outreach Committee Meeting Minutes
March 3, 2021
Via Zoom

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 am.

Members Present:

Roseann Acosta (Hicksville), Denise Campbell (Northport – East Northport), Alicia Collumbell (Smithtown), Maureen Comerford (Huntington), Debbie Cotton (Bellmore), Paola Diaz (Locust Valley), Roseanne Dorfman (West Hempstead), Cindy Hosang (West Hempstead), Deborah Kinirons (Uniondale), Lisa Kroitor (Copiague), Valerie Lewis (Suffolk Cooperative Library System), Adriana LoDolce (Islip), Shakema Miller (Nassau Library System), Amy Mondello (Glen Cove), Catherine Montazem (Deer Park), Jessica Newmark (Smithtown), Jessica Oelcher (Patchogue-Medford), Maria Fernanda Pardo (Glen Cove), Gina Patronaggio (Jericho Public Library), Gilda Ramos (Middle Country), Maggie Rusch (Plainedge)

Introduction for all attendees.

Approval of minutes for December 7, 2020: 10:07 am (Jessica Oelcher moved, seconded by Shakema Miller)

NY Project Hope:

Felix Hernandez from the Hispanic Counseling Center provided an interactive discussion of the various resources and services available in English and Spanish throughout Long Island via NY Project Hope and this organization. Vaccinations, food insecurity, and housing are the most common unmet community needs.

Possible Options for Meeting Unmet Community Needs:

There was a discussion of programming and services available during the pandemic both virtually and at libraries.

Programming and services included:

- Resources for English language learners via Proliteracy, Cell-Ed, and a shared link with a compilation of available library programs.
- Tax assistance in both English and Spanish. A list of resources was provided.
- Access to obtaining library cards for online homework help in both English and Spanish.
- Free and confidential mental health resources available in both English and Spanish.
- Programming for citizenship, TPS, and DACA in both English and Spanish.

Collaborative Outreach Programming Shared Document:

- Committee members were thanked and asked to continue sharing virtual outreach programming via the committee's shared document and asked to update the document, as necessary.

Resources for COVID-19:

- Collaborating on shared documents for resources that are not already readily available was also discussed.

Suffolk Library Excellence in Outreach Award:

The upcoming application for the Suffolk Library Excellence in Outreach Award will focus on one outreach endeavor per library. More than one application can be submitted by each library.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:46 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Adriana LoDolce

2021 RASD Outreach Committee Meeting Schedule

Date	Location and Time
Wednesday, June 2, 2021	Via Zoom 10:00 am
Wednesday, October 6, 2021	Via Zoom 10:00 am
Wednesday, December 1, 2021	Via Zoom 10:00 am

(Subject to Change)