

Approval of minutes from last meeting postponed to November - one reason - no quorum.

Manager's Report: Dianne was very kind to send her entire write-up. So, I **have attached** it. Summarizing it here - may not be optimal – for it contains details, that the very curious reader may find very interesting!

*Lib Board Liaison Report delivered by Deputy Chair of Lib Board **Grace Manubay**. Both Dianne & Grace were very kind to send the Director Anita Vassallo's Joint Meeting Presentation. Please, see PDF attached. There were 3 presentations- Dir Anita Vasallo [summary below & PDF attached],*

Andrea Boothby Rice, **Intellectual Freedom Panel Co-chair Maryland Library Association**, &

English Language Learners - Rudi Jeung, Director of Programs, **Montgomery Coalition for Adult English Literacy**

Summary of Anita Vassallo presentation [please, do see the PDF, these are Grace's summary points] – 154 people hired, 87 internal, 67 new. 50 vacancies, 10 about to be filled.

Early literacy – new teen coordinator, career services

Circulation has gone up 5%

On-line: Libby 8%, Hoopla 10%. **MCPL is 2nd highest** for all of Hoopla's business
2 guest speakers - Andrea Boothby Rice {banned books}, Rudi Jeung [see, above for detail titles]

Collecting suggestions for **LAC manual**

Nov 7, on-line – LAC chair & Secretary training --- many struggle with Membership, finding Chair, Secretary. A book-mark in development – another tool.

Lib Board meets Nov 8

Dianne: **Nov meeting possibly VIRTUAL** DATE: **Nov 20 (Monday before Thanksgiving)** [more info to follow]

LAC s for -- Noyes, Little Falls, & one more Lib – *meet every other month.*

As **Lib Director** said [in the Annual meeting]- **A Note about Hoopla**

*"Over the last 24 months, **Montgomery County is the fastest growing library in Hoopla.** By the end of 2023, Montgomery County will be the **2nd highest** circulating hoopla library! You continue to outpace every other library worldwide in registering new patrons to access the collection!"*

Yesvy suggested - that the **class given by Lib staff Alan [Lilia, another knowledgeable Lib staff is ready to help] have a PDF version.** Mostly just an outline, as many cannot be in the Lib between 2 & 3 PM once a month. This is the **suggestion** of various **60+** [age-wise] who [esp., **70+** are not that agile; but many are very smart / well-to-do - have excellent computer facilities at home. Our primary goal is to promote the Lib - with NO additional costs to Mo Co.