WMLC Meeting at Penn Alps, Grantsville, MD

4/11/19, 5:00pm-7:00pm

* SoMLA conference recap – Dara and Sandy presented highlights of key note speakers and small group sessions they attended
* Officer positions for next year
	+ Chair – Dara McGettigan & Sandy Coluzzi
	+ Vice Chair – Erica Foley
	+ Secretary – VACANT
	+ Treasurer – Kim Paul
	+ Membership – Cheri Helmstetter
* Members should try to attend the SoMLA state meeting on June 8
* Ideas for activities for next year, approximate time frames, and locations
	+ October (1st, 2nd or 3rd) – Membership kickoff: Literacy themed paint party
		- Sue Lisanti is contacting Jenny Wampler to find a place
	+ October-December – Young Author’s Contest (Erica can co-chair)
	+ December
		- Storybook Holiday at FSU
		- Sponsor a tree at festival of trees
		- Oakland Train Station and Penn Alps – readings to students
	+ January/February meeting – PD, do ourselves or bring someone in?
		- Washington County chapter brings authors in and maybe we could go to them or have them come here
		- Contact Ali Schilpp to join – she would be a good contact for authors
	+ April 1-3, 2020 SoMLA conference
	+ May – spring banquet/young author’s reception; get an author as a guest speaker?
	+ Outreach activities to distribute books and raise awareness of importance of reading (any time)
		- Giving away free books in Frostburg at City Place around this time every year
	+ Books for Babies – update from Cheri
		- Where can we get more bibs and books?
		- Priced bibs online and cheapest were $6/piece for ordering 100 or more
		- Has enough to do one more class – next class is in June
		- Need to contact Mary Lou from SoMLA
		- Hannah from the Library – works with Garrett Hospital and may need more materials, too
	+ Erica - Companies like HMH will sponsor a speaker
	+ Kim – traveling trunks from Maryland Historic Society; free for Western Maryland
	+ Erica – grant ($100) use for activities to increase membership; for membership drive (Erica emailed this info to Sandy)