

## **Library Association of Brevard (LAB) Membership Survey Results - Spring 2022**

LAB's Membership survey had 14 respondents, with memberships ranging from 5 years to 20 + years and including two founding members. Five respondents, having retired or moved out of the area, no longer attend LAB events, while seven said they attend as often as possible.

### **LAB Educational Programming**

Respondents enjoyed educational programing that included visiting other libraries, museums, and educational events that supported all library types. Five respondents were interested in hosting a library visit. Please be in [contact](#) to make arrangements. Future programming suggestions included current trends in libraries, censorship, safety, technology information literacy, Florida databases, intellectual freedom, and library tours.

### **LAB Social Events**

All respondents said they would encourage others to attend LAB events. Ideas for social events for networking environment included banquet and dinner/theater night in a centralized location with economical options. Ideas for future social events included weekend/daytime events or field trips, Painting with a Twist, field trips to library exhibits, and line dancing.

### **LAB's Value to Members**

LAB provides opportunities within the Brevard County library community to form connections and network; to learn about county-wide resources; to attend educational workshops and social events; and to develop professional relationships and career opportunities. In order to increase LAB's value, respondents suggested increasing communication, learning opportunities, partnerships, collaborations, membership, and diversity; providing scholarships; and engaging in community service events. LAB supports Brevard county libraries by supporting resource sharing; professional development; and professional relationships.

### **LAB in the Future**

Respondents said LAB could support them in their library positions by offering professional development opportunities, by sharing public programming information, and by developing a mentoring program for growing leaders in the library field.

In the next three to five years, respondents see LAB getting back on track by increasing membership, connecting local libraries, promoting LAB through outreach in community service, and recruiting members from public libraries. Respondents proposed changes to LAB including increasing membership and involvement to all library types.

### **Promoting LAB throughout Brevard**

To promote LAB in the county, respondents proposed submitting an article to *Florida Today*; library job shadowing; partnering with FSU and USF; contacting all library employees in the county; word of mouth promotion; emailing a shareable newsletter promoting the benefits of membership and including an annual calendar (for example: February - Theater Night; May - educational meeting; August - Summer Banquet; October - Educational meeting).