

Ethnic Services Round Table Meeting
Albert Wisner Public Library, Warwick, NY
6/17/16

Attendees: Grace Riario, Wilma Glover Koomson, Adriana Blancarte-Hayward, Manny Figueroa, Selina Sharmin, Tata Cañuelas, Tom Brogan, Galina Chernykh, Irina Kuharets, Doreen O'Sullivan.

Membership Meeting

1. President Grace Riario welcomed everyone and opened the meeting at 10:30 a.m.
2. Treasurer's Report was given on behalf of treasurer Fred Gitner.
 - a. Beginning balance, 7/1/2015--\$3,392.10
 - b. July 2015-April 2016 Revenue was \$753.50, Expenses was \$710
 - c. Ending balance, 4/30/2016--\$3,435.60
3. Conference Report was given by V.P./Program Planner Wilma Glover-Koomson. ESRT will be sponsoring three programs:
 - a. Microaggressions, speaker to be Wilma Glover-Koomson
 - b. How Do I Say That?, about dealing with patrons with emotional/mental health issues. Speakers to be a librarian from the Valley Cottage Worker and a social worker who has worked with that library on these issues.
 - c. A program on library service to various cultures to be presented by a panel of several ESRT members, including Selina Sharmin, Irina Kuharets, Tracy Allen and Galina Chernykh.

Tour of Albert Wisner Library

Director Rosemary Cooper gave a presentation on how their library came to be named the "Best Small Library in America" by *Library Journal*, 2016 and gave a tour of the library. The current library opened in 2009, and was built with a good deal of community input.

After lunch, the group enjoyed lunch at a nearby Thai restaurant.