

Mentoring and Student Outreach, submitted by: Danielle Williams

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Continuing Activities: The committee continues to reach out to LIS students and inform them of NASIG opportunities, including the mentoring program held each year for students and new professionals. For 2020/2021 we have 8 Mentors and 9 Mentees. We are currently seeking applications for mentees for the 2021/2022 mentoring program. The ambassador program to LIS schools is beneficial to reaching out to LIS students and informing them of NASIG opportunities, including the free membership to students and the mentoring program.

We are working with CPC and PPC to provide a first-timers virtual meet up on May 18 as well as first-timers drop in sessions each morning of the conference. In addition, Mentoring committee members are volunteering to lurk in a Discord room for first timers.

Recommendations to Board: We recommend assigning a vice-chair to take over the following year. There has been some confusion over who takes over and who is responsible for certain duties. The board should also decide who is sending out Student Snap-Shot calls for the conference. There was confusion this year about whether the PPC or Mentoring and Student Outreach should send out the call; this resulted in no call being sent this year. Also recommend a smaller committee, limited to three to five people.

Respectfully submitted,

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