

OYAN Winter Meeting Minutes
2-8-2019
Salem PL

Attending:

Ian Duncanson (Beaverton City Library) - *A Heart and a Body in the World* by Deb Caletti
Sonja Somerville (Salem Public Library) - *The Grim Lovelies* by Megan Shepherd
Kris Lutsock (McMinnville Public Library) - *Cruel Prince* by Holly Black, *Grant* by Ron Chernow
Gretchen Kolderup (St. Helens Public Library) - *Wundersmith* by Jessica Townsend and
Lovecraft Country by Matt Ruff
Rachel Timmons (Hood River Public Library) - *The Fire Next Time* by James Baldwin and *The
Unbeatable Squirrel Girl: Squirrels Fall Like Dominoes* by Ryan North
Angela Arena (Tillamook County Library) - *The Poet X* by Elizabeth Acevedo
Greta Bergquist (State Library) - *Circe* by Madeline Miller
Keli Yeats (Multnomah County PL, Rockwood Branch) - *Akata Warrior* by Nnedi Okorafor
Katie Anderson (WCCLS Libraries) - *Akata Witch* by Nnedi Okorafor
Lisa Elliott (Tigard Public Library) - *The Opposite of Always* by Justin A. Reynolds

Attending Remotely:

Heather Jones (Cooke County PL - Prineville)
Bobbie Hernandez (Multnomah County PL)
Danielle Jones (Multnomah County PL) - *A Heart and a Body in the World* by Deb Caletti,
Damsel by Alana K. Arnold and *I, Claudia* by Mary McCoy
Aimee Meuchel (Tualatin Public Library) - *Queen of Air and Darkness* by Cassandra Claire

Budget Report (Angela)

Angela reported that we have received \$350 in dues income. We are currently on schedule for the year. We paid \$526 for the conference overage from the previous year. The current balance is \$9,539.88.

Mock Printz (Lisa and Ian)

Lisa reported that we had a great workshop, but attendance has been declining every year. Some people reported that they had heard about workshop late. We also forgot to send it out to OASL this year. We also lost some people when we moved from Multnomah County to Beaverton. The smaller workshops work great, but we are hoping to reinvigorate the workshop.

- Ian and Lisa want to pass the baton.
- Greta pointed out that the Mock Printz workshop coordinator is not an official position in the OYAN bylaws but it is in CSD.
- Sonja said she loves going every year and brought four teens, who loved it and had a great experience. She said that one comment she heard was that the teens wish they had the booklist earlier - eight can be a lot to read!

- Mock Pura Belpre and Mock Caldecott are in the same timeframe, but the Women's March has been moved to March (it made parking problematic one year in downtown Portland).
- We talked about logistics of getting the list out earlier - advertising earlier on LIBS-OR and OASL (BEFORE summer break) or getting a partial or even full list out earlier - a 'save the date' reminder and trying to gather interest earlier.
- Sonja and Heather both expressed interest in coordinating Mock Printz next year. Kris said he would help remember dates to start advertising and pushing things out to the various listservs.
- We discussed alternate sites - moving it back to Multnomah County Central Library. It was originally moved because parking is the problem. We also acknowledged that it can be hard for teens outside of the area to get to, but going to Portland can be an attraction, too. Lisa said she worried a more northern location might exclude people further south. Sonja said that the Salem Public Library building will be temporarily closed for seismic retrofitting and will not be available. Ian said he could host it in Beaverton again, and Lisa offered Tigard. Beaverton might be slightly easier to reach; the rooms would need to be booked in July.
- **Sonja will have a discussion with Traci Glass and Violeta Garza about possibly hosting it at Central, but if not we will hold it in Beaverton again.**
- **Lisa will put together a planning timeline and send over the resources to Sonja and Heather.**

OYAN Scholarship / Professional Development Grant - Angela & Susan Davis (via E-mail)

- We received \$1000 from the State Library to use for scholarships. The money must be spent and a reimbursement turned in by June 30, 2019. Money from the grant will be used before OYAN's regular scholarship fund. The only exception is if the individual requests money for food that is not already included in fees of the continuing education opportunity; the money would need to be covered by OYAN's regular fund. Susan reports that she has updated the scholarship form to reflect the State Library funding and welcomes discussion on SLACK.
- **Susan would like feedback on the survey form. She wants to put out a call for scholarships at the beginning of next week, and we should let her know if we have any input. The scholarship was also expanded to include other educational opportunities. Provide any feedback on the survey on SLACK by February 12, 2019. E-mail susakatd@gmail.com or sdavis@josephinelibrary.org with questions.**

Resource / Program Shares / Group Discussions

- Lisa Elliott said she may be getting a new Teen Room at Tigard! She has begun planning and choosing things with her Teen Library Council and would welcome input

from anyone who has planned and implemented a new Teen area at their libraries. Lisa asked about getting laptops versus desktops for the teens because of privacy concerns from one TLC member. Sonja reported that her laptops for teens work great! Ian said that they take a school ID to loan out Chromebooks for use in Beaverton's Teen Room and that it has worked well so far.

We also discussed comfortable versus uncomfortable furniture and the importance of differentiating the Teen space from the rest of the library. Comfortable furniture might attract adults, but this can be ameliorated by setting the space off from the rest of the library. Lisa asked about bean bags, which we reported were popular. Ian said that they have had some makeout issues and purchased new beanbags that seat one person.

Greta said they had a few issues with kids and adults using the beanbags.

We discussed getting dry erase boards or tables, which are popular with teens to doodle or write on.

- Sonja discussed grantp-funded arts workshops she did last year. She said that Bollywood Dance was one of the best and that they used Bollywood Dreams (<http://dreamsperfected.com/>) in Portland to run the event. She said DJ Prashant was fantastic and got even the wallflowers / those nervous about participating up and dancing. He even involved the audience! Keli also said that he did an excellent job at her branch and reported that he did an excellent job at being adaptive to the attendees at the program.
- Rachel reported on a super silly passive program she had - a *Stranger Things* escape room! One teen came dressed as a character from *It* and lost her balloon during the program. The teens are now betting on when the balloon (stuck to the ceiling since Halloween) will actually come down! She agreed to keep us posted on its progress.
- Keli recommended contacting Planned Parenthood for brochures dedicated to sexual health, healthy relationships and more to distribute.
- Gretchen asked about Anime Clubs and said that she has a weekly group of 15-22 middle schoolers who gather to watch Anime. She is looking for more activities that anime fans would like - she has tried shrinky dinks, cosplay and is working on putting together an art book. Suggestions from the group included perler bead crafts, origami, sewing, tie-dye, open crafting with a binder of potential projects, coloring sheets, making buttons, crafting bouncy balls (similar to making slime), a sticker machine (under \$20) and DIY face painting (just need paints and mirrors).

Book Rave (Sonja)

- Sonja presented the results of Book Rave voting. She said that while there was a decent mix, there wasn't enough middle school fiction (only one title). Realistic fiction was VERY well represented, as were multicultural books. We were lacking in LGBTQ representation (1 title), and there were no Oregon authors.
- **We discussed and identified several potential titles and changes and Sonja will put them up for a revote online with the six-vote books and with categories for Oregon authors and middle school books.**

OYAN Raffle (Keli and Rachel)

- Keli encouraged everyone to let her know if we have raffle-related information for preservation. She is preparing a spreadsheet with raffle information that can be passed on.
- Keli encouraged everyone to send in donor contacts if they have them and let her know if they would like the same donor contact assignments.
- We ran through the list of what people did last year to see if they would like to do them again this year. Keli encourages everyone to solicit other donations if they have good ideas or ins! Several volunteered prize donation ideas that they would pursue.
- She also encouraged people to staff the raffle table so that they can attend sessions. Sonja suggested using Sign Up Genius to send out blocks of time for people to sign up for tabling.
- The OYEA reception will be Thursday evening again. We are currently looking at location possibilities.
- Heather suggested Loowit Brewing as a potential place to hang out near the Hilton in Vancouver.

Publications (Keli, Gretchen and Katie)

- The winter OYAN review is out! Gretchen completed it the night before the meeting. She said that she was unable to work on it at home in Publisher, so she decided to experiment with open source publishing software but settled on Adobe InDesign for this issue, hence the lateness. Ultimately, she will probably go back to Publisher because more people have it than InDesign, but she will continue experimenting with design / formatting.
- Katie said that she would like more library profiles for the blog. Submit! She said a social / emotional learning post on the OYAN blog based on YALSA articles she had read did really well with viewing statistics.

State Library Report (Greta)

- Greta offered ARCs brought back from ALA Midwinter for freebies.
- Greta reminded us about the CSLP account password for Oregon.
- She asked whether we had watched YALSA's free webinars last year and if we would be interested in buying a subscription as a state. Several people answered in the affirmative.
- Greta asked about libraries participating in summer meals, either as distribution points or partnering.
- Greta asked if OYAN is interested in partnering with CSD on an LSTA-funded youth services summit. She wants an OYAN rep to be the voice for teen summer services, volunteering for about 10 hours and 4 Zoom meetings. She said that there is also LSTA funding available for people coming from 50+ miles away to stay. She will begin contacting people if no one directly expresses interest.

Upcoming Meeting

- Spring Meeting - Josephine Community Library (Grant's Pass) on Friday, May 3, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.
- Summer Meeting and graphic novel vote - We discussed having the summer meeting either in Prineville or Pendleton. It was decided that we have been invited to Pendleton and will hold the summer meeting there, then we will have the fall meeting in Prineville. Tentative Date - Friday, July 19.