

Minutes

OYAN Quarterly Business Meeting

October 26, 2007

1. Attendees: Curtis Keefer, Corvallis Benton Co. PL; Carol Reich, Hillsboro PL; Susan Smallsreed, Multnomah Co. L; K'lyn Hann, Newberg PL; Katie Anderson, OSL; Patricia Prisbrey & Traci Glass, Eugene PL; Kris Lutsock, McMinnville PL; April Witteveen, Deschutes PL; Christine Atkinson, Fern Ridge Library; Carol Lamb, Douglas Co. Library Sys.
2. Announcements
 - a. Carol Reich shared that she has been promoted to the Youth AND Reference Manager.
 - b. OLA Hotline is looking for trendy library ideas to feature. Send ideas to April W.
 - c. Any registrations for OLA workshops now go through memberclicks.

Old Business

1. Review/approve summer meeting minutes
 - a. Motion to approve: Carol moved that the minutes of the summer meeting be approved. April seconded the motion and all approved.
2. Review Financial report
 - a. Curtis shared the financial report. As of 8/31/07 OYAN has a net profit of **\$806.89** for FY 06/07 bringing us to a balance of **\$8,719.06**
 - b. Curtis also reported that OLA is anticipating low revenue for the next few years. This led to a discussion about whether OYAN should budget more conservatively. The proposed budget projects income of \$2,600 and expenses of \$4,000. It was decided to keep the budget as because a number of expenses may be inflated. We will adjust the budget as needed throughout the year. One correction was made: The \$100 budgeted for Memberclicks was removed as it was a one time only expense for last year.
 - c. Move to approve: Christine Atkinson moved that the proposed budget for FY 07/08 be approved with the amendment. April seconded. Unanimously approved.
3. Resource Sharing (programs, ideas, book reviews, new websites, bibliographies, etc.)
 - a. Videos: I don't remember why or how, but we got into sharing websites and videos of interest:
 - i. Family Guy youtube videos;
 - ii. Triumph the Insult Comic Dog, especially the one with Bon Jovi;
 - iii. I Like Shoes by Kelly;
 - iv. Charlie the unicorn;
 - v. i can has cheese burger;
 - vi. Kitler; and
 - vii. Stuffonmycat.com
 - b. Christine A. brought copies of Fern Ridge's Teen Read Week (TRW) flyer.
 - c. The group had a discussion about movie nights. Some libraries have had success with attracting an audience for movie nights while others have not.
 - i. K'lyn shared how she runs a successful program and what she has learned is okay to do. For example, it's okay to post the movie title on the website but not on a reader board. It was suggested that she write it up as an OYAN Review article.
 - ii. It was suggested that Anime might be easier and cheaper to show because they are not in the license coop. Lists can be found on BWI (streetwise newsletter), Amazon, IMBD, and midwesttapes.com.

- iii. Kris shared that you can learn more about the appropriateness of a movie at Commonsensemedia.org.
- d. McMinnville had a successful Teen Summer Reading Program (TSRP) that included having teens write haiku book reviews.
- e. Corvallis TRW gave candy to teens who came to the reference desk and told a joke.
 - i. They hosted, cartoonist/writer/author P. J. Haarsma and had a teen game night
- f. Corvallis has also started a new Kids Game Night using teen gamers as mentors.
- g. About Authors
 - i. *Shock Doctrine* author Naomi Cline credited Corvallis, UO, and Eugene libraries.
 - ii. MCL brought in Laurie Halse Anderson for both a school assembly 900 teens and a public lecture attended by 250.
 - iii. Tod Strasser is coming to OR in Oct '08;
 - iv. Pete Hauptman will be in Bend in March '08;
 - v. Eugene hosted Lois Lowry during TRW and had 600 in attendance. Eugene cable access made a DVD.
 - 1. She will also be the Children's Author Lecturer for MCL in April '08.
 - vi. Salem brought in Sherman Alexie.
 - vii. Many people would like to see Stephanie Meyers.
 - viii. **OYAN Author Tour?** The above led to an idea that OYAN develop a collaborative teen author tour, perhaps funded by a LSTA grant, to help get authors to smaller libraries. There was definite interest in exploring this idea with a plan for implementation in 2009.

h. **Book Reviews:**

- i. ***Inside Out: Portrait of an Eating Disorder*** by Nadia Shivack.
 - 1. (From Amazon) "Every day, meal by meal, millions of people suffer from eating disorders. I am one of them."

Nadia Shivack was fourteen years old when she met Ed, her eating disorder. Sometimes like an alien in her body, sometimes like a lover, Ed was unpredictable and exciting, but ultimately always dangerous and destructive.

At an inpatient unit unit of a hospital where she was taken for treatment, Nadia wrote and drew on napkins after meals in order to keep the food in and calm the outrageous voices in her head. These pictures, together with others drawn on notebook paper and a variety of other surfaces, tell an unflinchingly honest story of a woman's lifelong battle with anorexia and bulimia. Raw, brave, and brilliant, Nadia's journey takes readers to the intimate corners of these misunderstood diseases. You will never think about eating disorders in the same way again.

- ii. ***Freak Show*** by James St. James.
 - 1. (from the MCL catalog) "Having faced teasing that turned into a brutal attack, Christianity expressed as persecution, and the loss of his only real friend when he could no longer keep his crush under wraps, seventeen-year-old Billy Bloom, a drag queen, decides the only way to become fabulous again is to run for Homecoming Queen at his elite, private school near Fort Lauderdale, Florida
- iii. ***Skin Hunger: a resurrection of magic*** by Kathleen Duey.

1. *(from Booklist)* "The first in a planned trilogy...Duey weaves together the stories of two teens who live in a world in which the working of magic has a turbulent history. When her bitter father dies, Sadima, a young woman who can communicate with animals, keeps house for two renegade magicians at a time when magic has been outlawed. Her experiences, which include learning to read and falling in love, alternate with those of Hahp...Exiled by his wealthy, disapproving father, he attends a school of wizardry where, among other unpleasantness, students are starved to death if they can't conjure up food. The pacing in this page-turner accelerates as the stories progress and links between them emerge, moving toward a cliffhanger ending that will leave readers anxious for future installments." 2007 YA National Book Finalist.
- iv. ***The Book of Lost Things*** by John Connolly.
 1. *(from Library Journal)* "Starred Review. After the death of his mother, 12-year-old David mourns her loss alone in his attic bedroom, with only his books to keep him company. As his anger at her death grows with each day, the books begin to speak to him, telling their wild tales of dragons, princes, and knights. Soon reality and fantasy collide, and David finds himself in a land unlike his own, a world where monsters, evil sorceresses, and half-human wolves dwell. With the help of friends...David goes on a search for the King, who is said to have *The Book of Lost Things*; this book will help David find his way home. Along the way, David encounters many challenges that transform the boy into a man..."
- v. ***Marvel Zombies*** by Bruce Campbell. ygn zombie-ized comic heroes. *(I couldn't find anything about this one.)*

Continuing Business

1. OLA Board Report of October 12, 2007
 - a. Jackson County update: Anne Guevara has been hired as the Asst. Director; Marion Baker has been hired as the system YS manager; Bob Lindquist is teen librarian in Medford 10 hours/week and reference librarian for an additional 10 hours; Esther Mortenson will be teen librarian at Ashland Library 10 hours/week. and; Kim Wolf (former teen librarian) is the new Medford Branch Manager.
 - b. Conference
 - i. Curtis reminded us that speaker agreements must be finalized by the end end of Oct. Luckily, we're not bringing in any big names.
 - ii. There will be very few tables available for Division displays so CSD & OYAN will share a table.
 - iii. The OYEA will be announced on Thurs. at 6:30 (I think). We'll have our own room. We decided to see about providing some appetizers.
 - iv. OLA web page is being converted to a new format. The editors will want to provide training to Division web editors so that they are able to post independently. Uygma.com is the software program. Curtis passed around a mock page of the new site. Someone raised the question of how new OYAN Editors be trained?
 - c. Ready to Read, Database licensing, Open source library systems, and Digital talking books were discussed. Some of these items will go to the legislature.
2. OSL Report

- a. Oregon Reads 2009: Libraries will be encouraged to have teen book clubs featuring *Stubborn Twig* or another title from the Oregon Reads YA booklist. OYAN has been asked to develop the YA booklist and the committee would like it by the meeting on November 19th. They have also asked OYAN to create a document on best practices for conducting teen book clubs at the library.
 - i. Suggestion for the list: OPB program "Oregon at War."
- b. Letters about Literature: This year's judges are:
 - i. Authors: Nicole Ruble, Deborah Hopkinson, and Roland Smith;
 - ii. Youth Librarians: Korie Jones Buerkle, Aimee Muechel, and Mark Richardson;
 - iii. School librarians from Greenway School in Beaverton, Lincoln Middle School in Cottage Grove, and Mollala HS.
- c. Ready to Read update: One library is appealing. The appeal will be heard at the December State Library Board meeting and checks will be mailed after the decision is made in mid-December.
- d. Jackson County update: In addition to the staff positions described above, two branches have already opened with more opening next week.

New Business

1. OYAN Raffle 2008 – Kristin was sick so no update was made.
2. OASL Conference Report: Curtis attended the conference and had a great discussion with 20 attendees about public & school library collaboration & programs. Garnetta was unable to attend due to a family emergency.
3. OYAN officers duties: K'lyn is working on revising the Newsletter Editors duties. The changes to the OLA Website will eventually require changes to the OYAN Website editor duties.
4. Mock Printz Workshop is now open for registration. The workshop will be held on January 5th, 2008, from 1-5:00 p.m. at the Central Library of Multnomah County Library. Contact Ruth Allen (rutha@multcolib.org) for more information.
5. OYAN Banner: in order to finalize the banner, we need to finalize a new OYAN logo. The group reviewed the samples created a couple years ago by Deschutes PL Graphic Designer Anne Hettinger. April agreed to talk with her about finalizing the blue & teal solid logo in a variety of formats (.jpeg, .tif, etc.). After it's finalized, Curtis will order the banner.
6. Scholarships: Krist will be asked to post a note on the website to contact the OYAN Chair for scholarship information.
7. Wikis & Blogs: April will send out some urls for teen related wiki's. Susan shared the MCL teen blog site: <http://teens.multcolib.org/blog/teens/category/Teen+stuff> and everyone is reminded to add to the TSRP website!

Next meeting:

January 25, 2008
 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.
 Hillsboro Public Library

Okay, I'm done.
 Susan Smallsreed