

OYAN Winter Membership Meeting 2025
Jan. 31 - Pods/Hybrid Meeting 2-5PM

In Attendance:

- Chloë St. Claire, Gresham Public Library
- Danielle Jones, Multnomah County
- Mark Richardson, Cedar Mills
- Ian Duncan, Beaverton Public Library
- Brianna Sowinski, Northplains Public Library
- Lisa Elliott, Tigard
- Lilly Holly - Forest Grove Library
- Kristy Kemper Hodge- Salem Public Library
- Vickie Kromer - Driftwood Public Library
- Greta Berquist, State Library
- Lorene Forman - Retired from Chetco Library
- Lindsey Quigley-Johnson - Creswell Library
- Emily Schilling, Corvallis-Benton County Public Library
- Marian - Season Public Library
- Pink- Astoria Public Library
- Meghan Hopkins Looney - Deschutes Public Library

Approval of Fall Minutes

- Ian motions to approve, and Mark seconds. Unanimous approval.

OLA Report - Vickie

- OLA Board meeting was past Monday. There was a discussion about OLA conference planning, proposals, date, and time. Will be sent out via DocuSign. Let them know if there is a scheduling conflict. More finalized schedule by mid-march.
- The OLA Board voted to approve an increase in conference registration cost. There is a lot of nickel and diming this year for things like AV costs, furniture, etc. . They plan on doing some incremental costs.
- Talked about managing investments.
- The November session was filled with unit reports

State Library Report

- R2R 2024 annual report finalized,
- Still waiting on the memo from the DOJ about teen spaces.
- Teen internship grants are due on Monday. There are currently 22 applications!

OYAN/CSD OYAN Meeting report

- A time of collaboration between two divisions. They discussed shared office hours
- Need an incoming chair.
- There are two collaborative sessions for OLA. OYAN will keep its own identity but connect with our CSD friends

Secretary Report

- Nothing to report

Summer Reading Rep

- Rachel is absent

Publications Report

- Still an open call to send stuff to Brianna for the blog
- Will post about Mock Printz.
- 71 Instagram followers—please follow!
- Claimed Bluesky Account, not currently following or active.
- OLA hotline: Lisa asked if OYAN has regularly tried to submit. Mark said they did it last year. Scholarships posted are posted.

Budget Report

- \$150 from Memberships

Book Rave

- Chloe and Lily are working on the Book Rave. Here is the link to vote.
<https://forms.gle/UyCtuFYtrjf5te3Q6>
- Kristy asked if it is ok make educated guesses. Yes!
- Got approved for OLA Conference for THREE hours!

Mock Printz

- Amazing time! 23 participants. Greta hosted the virtual group.
- Lots of teens participants.
- Wonderful to hear people discuss and break down the book.
- *Compound Fracture* was the winner, *Brownstone* and *Everything We Never Had* were our Honor Books.
- Here is where organizations can post Mock reports
<https://www.alsc.ala.org/blog/2025-mock-yma-elections-results-page/#anchor-printz>
- Lots of things we had considered were honors or winners! Very rewarding to see the overlap.
- Danielle and the Starred REview spreadsheet was SO helpful.
- It was GREAT hearing from the teens who passionately LIKE or HATE books.
- Reach out to the author to let them know they were voted the top book this year.
- There is a discussion about doing it EVERY year as opposed to every other year.
 - Kristy has most of the documents. Did not have to create stuff from scratch. Great infrastructure. The hardest part is choosing books. The benefit of doing it every year is of keeping the momentum going. But also recognising staff limitations.
 - Kept having scheduling conflicts with other MOCK workshops like Reforma and CSD.
 - Informal vote regarding semi-annual or annual.
 - Offering it virtually on and off might get more participation.
 - Switching so we aren't overtaxing our members.
 - Have to offer virtual even if it IS in person
 - Crowdsourcing is helpful to get additional inputs from other OYAN members.
 - Documentation would be helpful with deadlines such as HOW to choose the books, etc.
 - Marian suggested crowdsourcing books earlier, like via email and such.

- Lisa said she would add the Mock Printz to the April agenda

Officer Recruiting

- Kristy is the incoming chair!
- Need an incoming chair, potentially a secretary, potentially a publications manager, and potentially a summer reading rep. Can be co as well.

Break at 3:05; back at 3:15

OLA OYAN Raffle - Mark

- Annual raffle that we do every year
- Open to ideas. Open to having people sign up and help
- Helpful to get done by the end of January – gotten yeses for places that said no last year
- He is looking for places around Eugene.
- Sylvia Beach Hotel is currently closed. They would donate one night, and we would buy the other.
- Suggestion for generic prizes for everyone!
 - McMecminamin's are all over the state
 - BlueQ
 - Live Nation
- Mark suggested that we should start offering tickets earlier this year

Author Fair - Greta

- Focus more on Kid and Teen authors due to space needs
- Author fair is the Friday afternoon of the conference
- Greta would like some suggestions, specifically for Teen Authors.
 - Talking Books at the State Library of Oregon has funds that could be worked with. The OLA conference doesn't have a budget or specifics.

OLA proposals

- How is it going? Lisa submitted an AI program with WSCLS as a digital navigator. Americore talking about AI with Teens. Includes robotics.
- 12- minutes session about teens a food allergies
- A Session about letting teens lead needs one more person. Mark will take over.
- Book Rave in three hours, also during the author fair.
- Joint OYAN and CSD session -
 - Thursday morning. Storytime in the morning, Teens in the afternoon
 - School and library collaboration - focused on ways to collaborate with school outside of traditional methods
- Send Brianna and Meagan quick blurb about their sessions, and graphics too. Brianna will be out April 2-9th so early.
- Will have a Spring Quarterly Membership meeting. Wednesday morning, 9-11:30 am
 - Will have hybrid options.
 - Vickie will bring OYAN stuff and Driftwood OWL.

OYEA

- Job for the incoming chair
- Suggestion for places
 - Level Up, which is an Arcade Bar - Lisa's Friends owns

- Blair Alley
- Bill & Tim's
- Thursday Night

OLA Conference

- Help Sell Raffle tickets via spreadsheet
- Mobile selling as well using phones.

Books you are enjoying, programs that are working well

Vickie

- Program: EXIT Games, one-time use.
- Program: Kids Cook, Teen Chef - Stuff that you could reasonably find in a hotel room. Low barrier for supplies. Vegetarian Spring Rolls with rice paper (salad rolls). Dipping sauce out of sun butter. Suggested foodhero.org with nutritional information
- Books: Dinosaur Sanctuary - Manga

Mark

- Book: All Better Now by Neil Shusterman - about a virus in the future that makes people lose their ambition.
- Program: Minibook shelf-making
<https://tinybookwhispers.com/products/free-mini-book-cover-template>. Next time, will send them the template and make them do it themselves
 - Finals Hangout - Nintendo Switch, Pizza, Crocheting. Board Game.
- Brianna
 - Books: Mock Printz titles.
 - Programs: Kawaii cute clay kits; pizza party. Teen book boxes. All they want to do during the Summer is Sleep!
- Ian
 - Programs: OBOB practice sessions
 - Programs: Neurographic art and Mindfulness art. Great for relaxation
- Lily
 - Books: Pride and Prejudice in Space
 - Programs: Crafting hour - put out material, low effort.
- Lisa
 - Programs: Supply kits for Friendship bracelets in their teen space. Fun and hands-off.
- Meagan
 - Programs: D&D - one-shots in schools with clubs. One middle school club at the school Two homeschool groups.
- Kristy
 - Programs: Study with snacks event for Finals week.
 - Programs: Read to a pet –therapy dog available for one hour
 - Books: The God of the Woods; We Used to Live Here
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- Marian
 - Books: Sadie by Courtney Summers

- Program: Wafflewiches (sandwiches made in a waffle iron)
- Program: Karaoke and Coloring - mini karaoke machine, Youtube SingSing
- Program: Partner Portrait Painting
- Chloe
 - Books: Don't Call it Mystery by Yuri Tamara. Toutono Kunou is a university student studying to become a school teacher, but he keeps getting drawn into mysteries. He's lazy, obsessed with curry, and just wants to lead a quiet life, but his incredible insight into people and their motivations helps him solve the crimes instead of following physical cues.
- Lorene
 - Books: went on an Adam Rex binge. Most of his stuff is middle grade, like "The True Meaning of Smekday" and the sequel, "Smek for President"... These would appeal to teens and adults too, I think. Adam Rex also wrote the YA "A Little Like Waking". He includes pencil illustrations.
 - Program: The high school librarian and Lorene are holding a Mock Printz for those in our book club who could not attend the main Mock Printz.
- Lindsey
 - Programs: Potions, Mimic Bttles
- Emily
 - Programs: Movie showing of Ballad of Songbirds and Snakes
 - Programs: Stage combat –stage combat coordinator and two actors did swordplay demo
 - Programs: Nerf nights
 - Programs: Halloween movie night
 - Programs: Murder Mystery
 - Programs: Votes on New posters
 - Books: Worst Ronin, Princess and the grilled cheese sandwich, Murderbot Diaries, Throne of Glass, Bluebox (anime), Skip and Loafer (anime), MHA (anime), Shangrila Frontier (anime), Lo & Behold!
 - Question about Silent Reading Party - Thought about doing one in the park. Spotify playlist
- Lily
 - Teen Zone is ALMOST complete! – March 1st!
 - Check out these events by Kyle Lucoff
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2025-childrens-literature-lecture-with-kyle-lukoff-tickets-1082729365679?aff=oddtcreator>

The next meeting will be at the OLA Conference with a Hybrid Option!