

OYAN Quarterly Meeting Minutes (Summer), July 12, 2013 Eugene Public Library

INTRODUCTIONS

Attendees: Aimee Meuchel (Tualatin), Ruth Allen (Multnomah), Mark Richardson (Cedar Mill), Jayne Guidinger (The Dalles), Sonja Somerville (Salem), Traci Glass (Eugene), Katie Anderson (State Library), Susan Smallsreed (MCL), Emily David-Ziglinski (Springfield), Danielle Jones (Tualatin), Barratt Miller (Crook County), Elvira Sanchez Kissner (Woodburn), Abbie Anderson (North Bend)

Virtual attendance: Ian Duncanson (Beaverton), Teena Nelson (Lincoln City)

What we're reading:

Aimee: *Tell the Wolves I'm Home* by Carol Brunt (ALEX Award)

Ruth: *In the Shadow of Blackbirds* by Cat Winters

Jayne: *WARP: The Reluctant Assassin* by Eoin Colfer

Mark: *Eleanor & Park* by Rainbow Rowell

Traci: *Confessions of a Hater* by Caprice Crane

Emily: *Etiquette & Espionage* by Gail Carriger; *Wild* by Cheryl Strayed

Elvira: *Abandon* by Meg Cabot; *Age of Miracles* by Karen Thompson Walker

Danielle: *Midwinter Blood* by Marcus Sedgwick; *Winger* by Andrew Smith

Katie: *Mr. Penumbra's 24 Hour Bookstore* by Robin Sloan; *Eleanor & Park*

Barratt: *Rose Under Fire* by Elizabeth Wein (companion to Code Name Verity); *Gathering of Wings* by Kate Klimo; *Awakening* by Karen Sandler

Sonja: *Name of the Star* by Maureen Johnson; *Rapture Practice* by Aaron Hartzler (nf memoir)

Abbie: *Will & Whit* by Laura Gulledege

Teena: *Mr. Penumbra's 24 Hour Bookstore* (audio); *The Lightning Dreamer* by Margarita Engle; *Under Shifting Glass* by Nicky Singer

Ian: *Rapture Practice*; *Out of the Easy* by Ruta Sepetys

OLD BUSINESS

Review/approve minutes

Susan moved to approve the minutes and Abbie seconded. The motion passed unanimously with one correction: Ian did not virtually attend the spring meeting.

Budget (Aimee) Aimee reviewed the budget. We went over budget on CSLP and will adjust this figure for next year. We were pretty much on target for everything else as of May 31st. Some conference funds are not yet reflected in the 5/31/13 budget.

OYAN Elections (Aimee) Every slot filled! The results went out in email.

GRAPHIC RAVE (Traci)

Traci handed out the list of GR nominations and talked about the initial voting results. Eleven titles have made the list; however, we need to vote for more manga and non-fiction, as those categories did not receive many votes. There will be no "no" vote option on the second round of voting. Traci will open the second round by email on August 1st. People will be able to vote until September 1st.

State Library Report (Katie)

Summer Reading

- Oregon Summer Reading Certificates were mailed in May, hardcopies are still available to order from me if you want them, and digital copies are available to download and print from the State Library's website (<http://www.oregon.gov/osl/LD/Pages/youthsvcs/oregon.srp.certificate.aspx>)

- "We Dig Summer Reading and Saving for College" is underway and, based on several requests for more entry forms, seems to be popular this year. Library can still order promotional materials and entry forms by email Kathy Griffin at KGriffin@tiaa-cref.org.

- The State Library renewed Oregon's CSLP membership and paid dues for all public, volunteer, and tribal libraries. We also placed the order for next year's summer reading manuals which will be distributed at the Fall CSD meeting or shipped to libraries. Next year's theme is science and the teen slogan is Spark A Reaction.

- In September the State Library will be launching the summer reading statistics and ordering survey. This survey should only be completed one time by each library so link is only send to library directors and Ready to Read key contacts. I will be sending an email on the OYAN listserv letting you know when your director and Ready to Read key contact received the link to the survey so you can work with them to report your teen summer reading statistics. Also, this survey is your library's opportunity to order summer reading certificates, sweepstakes materials and entry forms, and what format you want your summer reading manual to be so please be sure to touch base with your director or Ready to Read key contact if you want to order these items for your teens.

- As I mentioned at the last meeting, OregonASK has a grant to keep up to 13 school libraries open over the summer. This is called the SL3 project: School libraries, summer lunch, and summer learning. Participating school libraries have a summer free food site and are providing summer reading activities. All participating school libraries contact their local public library to request partner to offer the summer reading program. Some public libraries are able to do this, but other are not. I provide school libraries who weren't able to partner with their public library several activities from the CSLP summer reading manual to pick and choose from. I also provided information on matching books with kids and how to have conversations that boost reading comprehension. Next week the State Librarian and I will be visiting one of the participating school libraries with the director of OregonASK, Karen Fischer from Salem Public Library, and the director of the National Summer Learning Association. If this project is successful, there is interest in expanding it.

Teen Parent Collaborative

The first Teen Parent Family Resources Consortium meeting that took place last month. The Chair's of OYAN and CSD were invited to attend this meeting to learn about the group and determine appropriate library participation. Aimee and Sonja attended with two CSD representatives and me. Those of us who attended the meeting had a brief conversation after the meeting and agreed that:

- While the meeting could have been facilitated better and the goals of the Consortium are a little murky, there is likely value in Oregon libraries being represented—it was their first ever meeting so hopefully all of this will improve/become clear after a couple of meetings.

- It makes more sense for the Youth Services Consultant to represent libraries in the Consortium than frontline children's/teen libraries. Therefore I will:

- o Attend the quarterly Consortium meetings.

- o Identify opportunities for CSD, OYAN, and/or local libraries.

- o Facilitate communication among libraries and other organizations that serve pregnant and parenting teens.
- o Promote local library services for pregnant and parenting teens to other organizations.
- o Report relevant Consortium news and activities to the CSD and OYAN Executive Boards.
- The State Library and the Youth Services Consultant will be listed on the pregnant and parenting teen support services roster/database. I will help facilitate connections with local public libraries.

Ready to Read

Unfortunately the request to expand the Ready to Read Grant program to 15-17 year olds did not pass. However, Legislature would like to see the State Library rethink the Ready to Read Grant program and how it may better support the Governor's 40-40-20 plan, not just the Early Learning Council. The State Library will be convening a task force of library staff and other key stake holders to engage them in the process of exploring what the next phase of the Ready to Read Grant program might look like. At this time I'm not sure when the task force will convene let a long who will be invited to be on it, but I wanted to give OYAN a heads up because there will be a teen librarian on the task force.

Fortunately the legislature funded the Ready to Read Grant program at the increased rate the State Library requested to cover the expansion to 15-17 years. The past two years Ready to Read was funded at about \$0.80 per child 0-14 years old, next year it will be funded at \$0.95 per child 0-14 years old.

The State Library

The Oregon State Library has begun the real work to transform. Currently work groups are evaluating existing services and collections, and discussing improvements or potential new services. Work groups consist of 50% State Library staff and 50% outside key stakeholders. There is a public librarian who is a member of both OYAN and CSD representing teen and children's services on the Services to Libraries and Oregonians work group.

In August these work groups will provide the results of their evaluation and suggestions to the transformation project team. The project team will look at the information from the work groups, the results from the survey that went out on the OYAN listserv and many other listservs this Spring, and results of State Library staff focus groups to draft recommendations for the State Library's transformation.

The draft transformation recommendations will be provided to some legislators in September for feedback and to make sure the State Library is on track towards what the legislature wants to see. After consulting with legislators, the project team will finalize the transformation recommendation and submit them to the legislature in November. The transformation recommendations will then go through the full legislative process in February 2014. Changes at the State Library will start happening after the legislature approves the recommendations--probably in March 2014. The goal is to have all the changes complete and a fully transformed State Library by June 30, 2014.

RESOURCE SHARING

Salem (Sonja): The storyteller, Adam Librande, did a **fantastic** job running a storytelling workshop for 20 teens! The general structure was a 2.5 hour workshop followed by a quick "picnic" and then a one-hour performance in which each participant told a 2-4 minute story. Sonja notes that "Adam believes fervently in storytelling and the role of storytelling in building community. He is willing to work with "all kinds of budgets."

Tualatin (Aimee): Tualatin had a Teen Taste Off . The TLC picked several junk food groups in which to taste different brands.: microwave popcorn; dark chocolate, spicy chips and cola. The

teens got a ballot for each type of food. The winners were: Jolly Time popcorn, Godiva dark chocolate; Kettle brand jalapeno chips, and Fred Meyer cola. Coming up on August 1st is a pirate-themed Amazing Race where teens will sort books, do a map activity, walk the plank with books on their heads, participate in a treasure hunt and find their sea legs with a hula hoop, among other fun activities.

Crook County (Barratt): Barratt is going to hold an Anime mini-convention; is renting an inflatable laser tag spaceship for teens who finish the summer reading program, and is having a cooking with roots program.

Woodburn (Elvira) Teacher candidates have an assignment to meet with teens and build a program for them based on the meeting. Some of the ideas are a Yugio Tournament and a library scavenger hunt.

The Dalles (Jayne) Jayne bumped the age for the teen summer reading group down to 4th grade and up. She's had great attendance and feels like this will help grow the teen group in later years. The Dalles is hosting a robotics program plus several other programs, and high schoolers are now coming!

Beaverton (Ian) Ian held a teen summer reading kick-off party that was attended by 100 teens! Activities included tie-dye; vintage lawn games such as a bean bags toss and Duck Duck Goose, Voodoo Donuts, and prizes (for those who had already finished their reading).

Lincoln City (Teena) The teen geocache program was a success! This summer there will also be a duct tape program for teens.

Request from Susan Smallsreed: Please send photos of your teen areas to Ian to post on the OYAN Facebook page.

NEW & CONTINUING BUSINESS

OLA Board Report (Traci)

Ready to Read was not extended to include teens aged 15 and up. In the future when we are advocating for such a change, they would like to see evidence and data that shows how the money will help, not just personal interest stories.

OLA has a mentoring program for people who are new librarians and for those who aren't yet librarians, but have their MLS degrees. If you would like to be a mentor, contact Emily Papagni at emilyp@multco.us.

OYAN Executive Board meeting – We will add an hour to the meeting in order to discuss what is feasible for OYAN to do regarding strategic planning. Ideas: create a survey for libraries asking if OYAN is meeting/reflecting their needs with regard to teens. There was discussion about the difficulty of people from eastern Oregon getting to the meetings. It was suggested that OYAN provide travel funds to help a representative from eastern Oregon attend an OYAN meeting.

CSLP Update (Abbie)

Early in September, Abbie will send out a survey about CSLP. Watch for it in your email! CSLP voted on the artwork and Abbie noted that the art for the children's program (Fizz Boom Read) was good, but not so great for the teen theme (Spark a Reaction). The process at CSLP was great – this time the slogan was chosen before the artist!

Upcoming General SRP Themes:

2015: Heroes

2016: Fitness

Fall Workshop Ideas & OLA Preconference

Workshop: "STEMpunk" - STEM/science programming for teens; perhaps get Kevin Carr from Pacific University to talk about STEM

OLA preconference: How to do a literacy camp at your library (maybe co-sponsor with CSD)
example: Fractured Fairytale Camp; Using social media with teens (get Maureen Johnson); Craftastic; Stealth programming for teens; panel of local authors; other authors to bring: Barry Lyga, David Levithan

ACTION: Send ideas for the fall workshop & OLA to Mark Richardson.

Scholarships: Consider applying for an OYAN scholarship. It doesn't have to be a library conference – just something that could help in working with teens in the library.

Mock Printz: Ian and Lisa are hard at work choosing the titles for the Mock Printz which is happening at on Saturday, January 18th at Multnomah County Library's Central Library. Here's a preview of some of the selections: *Rapture Practice* by Aaron Hartzler; *Out of the Easy* by Ruta Sepetys; *Eleanor & Park* by Rainbow Rowell; *In the Shadow of Blackbirds* by Cat Winters

Upcoming OYAN Meetings

Fall 2013: Friday, October 25th 10:00-12:00 (workshop); 1:00-4:00 (meeting) Beaverton Public Library

Winter 2014: Friday, January 31st Tualatin Public Library

Spring 2014: Friday, May 2nd location TBA

OYAN Executive Board Meeting: Friday, September 27th 1:00-4:00 Cedar Mill

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Allen, Secretary