OYAN Meeting - 10/18/2019 - 1-4 p.m. - Gresham Library

Attending & Book Recommendations

Keli Yeats - Multnomah County Public Library, Rockwood - *Discount Armageddon* (InCryptid series) by Seanan McGuire

Rachel Timmons - Hood River Public Library - *Pumpkinheads* by Rainbow Rowell, *Catch and Kill* by Ronan Farrow

Heather Elliot – Multnomah County Public Library, Gresham - *Walking on the Ceiling* by Aysegul Savas

Amy Wyckoff - Beaverton City Library - *Call Me American* by Abdi Nor Iftin, *Sea Sirens* by Amy Chu

Ian Duncanson - Beaverton City Library - Books by Renee Watson, *Gun With Occasional Music* by Jonathan Lethem

Susan Davis - Josephine Community Library


Heather Jones - Crook County Lib. - *Pumpkinheads* by Rainbow Rowell, *Thirteen Doorways, Wolves Behind Them All* by Laura Ruby

Bryce Kozla - WCCLS - *The Other F Word* (Anthology ed. By Angie Manfredi)

Aryn Orwig - Hillsboro Public Library - *Storm Cursed* Patricia Briggs (Mercy Thompson series)

Gretchen Kolderup - St. Helens Public Library - *The Book Thief* by Markus Zusak, *Mirage* by Somaiya Daud


Amy Grimes - Lake Oswego Public Library - *The Rest of the Story* by Sarah Dessen

April Witteveen - Deschutes Public Library - *Hello Girls* by Brittany Cavallero, *American Royals* by Katharine McGee

Mark Richardson - Cedar Mill Public Library - *Fountains of Silence* by Ruta Sepetys, *Pumpkinheads* by Rainbow Rowell
Mock Printz - Sonja

Heather, Bobbye and Sonja have been working on Mock Printz. The first four books have been sent out so people can get started reading them. They are working over the next week to add the final four. The event will be hosted at the Beaverton Community Center directly across from the Beaverton City Library on Saturday, January 11, 12:30-5:30 p.m. They are looking for fantasy books that might be strong contenders - send them to Sonja (ssomerville@cityofsalem.net). People are welcome to bring teens who want to read the books. There will be a remote meeting option and hopefully a guest speaker too!

The first four announced books are:

- **Barely Missing Everything** by Matt Mendez - #realisticfiction #latinx #struggling #multiplenarrators #ownvoices
- **They Called Us Enemy** by George Takei - #graphicmemoir #Japaneseimprisonment #lostinnocence #famousownvoices
- **Internment** by Samira Ahmed - #future #Muslimimprisonment #rebellion #injustice #ownvoices
- **The Grace Year** by Kim Liggett - #dystopia #ritesofpassage #womanmagic #devastating

Book Rave - Sonja

Sonja said that she has put out the Book Rave nomination request and still needs more potential titles. Nominate at [http://bit.ly/bookrave2020](http://bit.ly/bookrave2020). She is looking for great books published between October 2018 and November 2019. Various books were nominated at this meeting and more are welcome!

Recruitments - Susan

Susan sent out a recruitment request. We are still looking for a CSLP rep, an incoming chair and publications. We have had some interest in the CSLP position but really need an incoming chair.

State Library Report - Submitted by Greta Bergquist

Collaborative Summer Library Program:
CSLP Manuals were distributed to 92 libraries at the Summer Reading Summit in Salem on September 28th and YS Consultant Greta Bergquist is working with CSD CSLP Rep Nicole
Newsom to get the rest distributed. Additionally, Luke Kralik from CSLP presented and OYAN CSLP Rep K’Lyn hosted that session. If you’d like to see the materials from the day, check here: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1w6IfOAmb709JAEAMQVoR1M_kFNT8NeCj?usp=sharing

YALSA Train the Trainer Teen Librarian Project:
April Witteven, Danielle Jones, and Greta Bergquist will be representing Oregon and attending the 2.5 day train the trainers event with YALSA at the end of this month, October 30-November 1st. Every state is sending representatives to participate. This project comes out of the work YALSA is doing from The Future of Library Services for and with Teens: A Call to Action. We anticipate returning to Oregon to offer 30 hours of teen services focused training. Danielle submitted conference session proposals for OLA. We anticipate the bulk of the training will be in 4 hour chunks at locations around the state. We’d love to include OYAN in this if possible and that could happen a couple different ways:

- We could invite people to attend a training in the morning and an OYAN meeting in the afternoon.
- We could schedule trainings and if OYAN does not wish to attach a membership meeting to them, we could still have an OYAN member come to each training around the state as a representative and offer OYAN time to recruit members, etc.

We recognize time allowed for professional development for library staff serving teens is minimal at best and would be happy to coordinate as much as possible to combine events if that can help foster audiences for both OYAN and the YALSA project.

OYAN members at the meeting discussed using this training as next fall’s OYAN training / workshop.

E-book Embargo - Keli

We had a brief discussion about what various libraries are doing in response to Macmillan’s new E-book policy. In short, Macmillan started an ‘eBook embargo’ in which libraries are only able to purchase one copy of new Macmillan E-books for the first eight weeks. This is for the text versions of books, not the audiobooks. King County (WA) has decided to not buy ANY Macmillan E-books. Multnomah County Library added information about this on their E-book portal but will continue to buy the books.


Keli talked about a Peruvian food program she did where she struggled to get teen attendance and asked what other strategies libraries use to get teens to attend programs. Mark said that
registration on some programs have helped his attendance because he can call teens’ parents and remind them about the program. Ian said that he does registration for teen programs in the summer, especially those with limited supplies, but that it can be a double-edged sword in that it can also dissuade teens from coming.

Rachel worried about privacy issues in telling parents where the teens are when they attend programs by themselves. The general consensus was that it is important for the parents to communicate with their kids. Amy talked about a newer Beaverton City Library policy where staff will not look for or let parents know if their teens are in the room / library or not, but that they can setup something where the teens are expected to contact them when they get to the Teen Room.

Heather discussed having difficulty getting teens to join her Teen Advisory Board no matter how much marketing she does. Aimee suggested going to the rec center or youth group and making personal invitations. Gretchen suggested marking to Key Clubs or honor societies and other groups with teens who volunteer. April said she has certain years when she doesn’t have a TAB. Keli suggested finding local organizations who reward youth for volunteer hours and reaching out to them - i.e. rotary clubs. Ian suggested making it count for something – volunteer / service hours, recommendation letters, etc. Amy suggested showing the activities they can get involved in and being specific about some of the things they will be doing. Mark said that another trick is figuring out whose parents forced them to apply – we agreed that this can sometimes be good to ensure participation or change a reluctant teen’s mind about library service, but that these members can also not be the most dedicated volunteers.

Amy brought up escape room programs they have been doing at Lake Oswego and asked how other libraries who have done them handle escape rooms where there are too many teens to participate at once. Aimee said she runs escape rooms with 40 teens at a time and Mark runs two separate rooms - one run by his Teen Library Council. Others suggested providing puzzles and activities to do while people are waiting to do the escape room.

Other programs:

Hilary - Pull string painting to make flowers with acrylic paints - https://tinkerlab.com/how-make-captivating-pulled-string-art/

April - Deschutes just got a Cricut cutting machine and has been having fun using it for multiple programs - https://home.cricut.com/. Keli said that this is one of the most popular things in her library’s makerspace. These are great for cutting out craft materials, stickers and more.

There was also a brief discussion about Library of Things issues - patrons dropping items in water, checking out things with fake names / addresses / phone numbers or checking out expensive things on stolen cards.
Heather and April talked a bit about working with FAN advocates in Central Oregon (Deschutes and Crook Counties) to promote the library to underserved families. Family Access Network information - [https://familyaccessnetwork.org/about/](https://familyaccessnetwork.org/about/).

There was a chat about contract security officers and their behavior in regards to the treatment of patrons, accountability and reporting problems.

We talked about Ryan Dowd’s homelessness & libraries training. Although it was adult-focused, some of the ideas are universal and can apply to work with youth, such as the metaphorical pennies where positive interactions add one penny to your ‘bank’ and negative interactions / enforcing boundaries / rules takes 5-10 pennies out.

**Business Meeting Items - Budget and OLA Quarterly Meeting - Rachel, et al.**

**Budget** - We are currently projected to be around $2,000 in the red this year and we discussed how to stop the losses so we don’t deplete all of our reserve funds over the next two or three years. There are a few items from the last budget cycle that were approved but will be showing up on this current budget cycle.

We took in $1,597.20 more than we spent last fiscal year. The workshop this year did not cost us anything and some of the OYEA reception food last year was paid out of pocket past the budgeted $250.

K’Lyn said that she turned in a reimbursement for around $1508 for her CSLP travel - the State Library might reimburse Greta’s travel for $800 but it will be another reimbursement if they do not.

Gretchen said OYAN would need to make some hard decisions to staunch losses if we are in fact in the red this year. We agreed that in the next few years we would need to look at what OYAN spends money on and see what can be cut - scholarships, CSLP travel (or a cap), etc.

Keli proposed having the budget stand for the next year and then really analyze the budget in the new fiscal year and make changes for the next year.

Keli took a look at the last few budget cycles and reported that we do tend to spend much less than we project so we might only need to tweak this budget to be more in line with actual budget costs.

**Conference** - OYAN is in charge of the preconference this year. Keli is currently exploring a group called Not If But When, who connect youth with books to help them deal with death and loss. Because this year’s conference will probably be more expensive it would be best to have a cheaper preconference to ensure good attendance. Gretchen mentioned doing a training about one year ago with a company called Microbit who did trainings.
Keli was working on another installment of “Failures, F* Ups and Flops” but is hesitant because people of color found the program to not be inclusive or equitable due to the higher standard they feel they are held to in the workplace. She is exploring how to make the program inclusive but might retire it if people are feeling harmed by it.

OLA Quarterly Meeting

We discussed where we are going to have the quarterly meetings in the next year. January is generally in the Portland metro area. Mock Printz is January 11 and ALA is 24-28.

Tentative Meeting Schedule:
Winter - Friday, February 7 at Tualatin Public Library
Spring - Friday, April 17 at TBA
Summer – Date TBA at Prineville
Fall - TBA, YALSA workshop by Danielle and April (see State Library report section above)