

**OYAN Spring Quarterly Meeting - 4/17/2020 - 11 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Zoom Remote Meeting**

Attending & Book Recommendations

Keli Yeats - Multnomah County Public Library, Rockwood Branch

Ian Duncanson - Beaverton City Library

Aimee Meuchel – Tualatin Public Library

Anna Bruce – Happy Valley Library

Rachel Timmons – Hood River County Library District

Josie Hanneman – Deschutes Public Library

Lindsay Riley – Newberg Public Schools

Katie Anderson – WCCLS

Lisa Elliott – Tigard Public Library

Brianna Sowinski – North Plains Public Library

Danielle Jones – Multnomah County Public Library, Hollywood Branch

Kris Lutsock – McMinnville Public Library

Jaime Thoreson – Sherwood Public Library

Kyra Hahn – Multnomah County Library, Albina Branch

Heather Jones – Crook County Public Library

Susan Davis – Josephine Community Library District

Mark Richardson – Cedar Mill Library

Aryn Orwig – Hillsboro Public Library

Angela Arena – Tillamook County Library

Amy Grimes – Lake Oswego Public Library

Sabrina Hall – Cedar Mill Public Library, Bethany Branch

Sonja Somerville - Salem Public Library

Katie Patterson – Aloha Public Library

Greta Bergquist – Oregon State Library

Bobbye Hernandez – Multnomah County Library

OYEA Update – Susan Davis

Susan reported that we had one OYEA nomination thus far. The OYEA award has been postponed but we will hang on to the nomination until we continue it again.

We will postpone the award until the fall and put out a call again in the August. Lisa Elliott suggested coinciding it with the (virtual?) workshop in the fall. We will also have the award as normal in the spring.

Raffle Update – Keli Yeats

Keli reported that we discussed holding the raffle again the fall, but even then it may not be good to ask for donations just as things are (possibly) slowly getting back to normal. The raffle is a big fundraiser for OYAN; not doing it would mean a really lean year. Many of the raffle prizes we received already have expiring tickets.

We decided to table the raffle and have a lean year. There will be less expenses this year with no CSLP trip and no scholarships to conferences like OLA / ALA.

Elections – Keli Yeats

We still do not have an incoming chair. We have decided to shift the raffle responsibilities to involve incoming, current and past chairs, with the past chair being the point person. This will lighten the work load on the incoming chair. We also discussed sharing meeting duties with the incoming / current / outgoing chairs to make attendance easier.

The Executive Board will put another call out for an incoming chair with the duties specifically listed.

Virtual / Non-Virtual Programming?

Rachel asked about passive virtual programs.

Sonja reported that Salem is doing a virtual program for the community called “Do You Haiku?” that encourage the community to post Haikus. They have been getting 17-18 Haikus per day. She also created a challenge via Beanstack for the month of April – they earn badges when they complete the challenge. They can earn up to 10 badges with 2-5 different activities to earn them.

Anna reported that she has been putting out a weekly challenge for teens and having them submit it electronically – make an avatar, bake and tell, etc. – easy, flexible and geared to teens. The challenge entries are posted on Facebook, Instagram and in the weekly family newsletter.

Keli said that she has been using a third-party Chrome extension app called Netflix Party where multiple people can watch a show or movie at the same time and chat. It does require a Netflix account and Chrome. Katie Anderson said that she had used it personally but said that you do need to be watching the movie on a screen; it would be difficult on your phone. It would also be difficult to read the chat sitting far away from the screen. Rachel said that her licensing agreements did not extend to online streaming. Lisa said that she has considered using Kanopy, but Rachel said she had looked into it and

they said no. Aryn said she has also done the Netflix watch party with friends and that they ignore the chat feature and use Discord for audible voice chat instead. Mark added a Slack channel, which has games and other interactive features and this could potentially be used for a watch party. Danielle said that Slack has a 16+ age limit, but they have a 13+ exception for educational purposes. Rachel said there is another possible app called 2-7 for watch parties.

Heather said that her library is doing summer reading kits, with crafts and activities and possible optional online activities. Ideas include gardening. They will hopefully be accessible for patrons without Internet access. Mark Richardson has talked about doing kits and bringing them to free lunch sites.

Mark and Sonja's Teen Library Councils had a virtual shared meeting. Ian has also been meeting with his TLC via Zoom. Heather's TLC has had Internet issues with connecting. Ian and Mark's TLCs have tried to record Zoom Podcasts. You can edit the output files (M4A) in garage band and convert to MP4.

Keli reported that she had a hard time connecting to her teens virtually. Danielle said that she has noticed an e-mail response gap between high school and middle school, but consistency is still good. Lisa said she uses a layered approach for TLC members and her book group – she sets up Remind.com groups and texts them through this asking them to check their e-mails. Sonja also said she has had success with Remind.com reminders. Anna said that she has changed her Teen Advisory Board meetings to just be a teen meet-up and included the library's teen volunteers as well.

School Library Outreach

Amy said that she is putting out a list of always available eBooks for teachers so they know what it available.

Lindsay said that she was able to acquire free book bundles from publishers who have loosened up their permissions due to COVID-19. She suggested going through your eBook holdings and seeing which ones have simultaneous use policies and sending them to teachers who might be interested in them for book groups. She said that teachers may have an e-mail overload, but she encouraged sending an e-mail just saying, "I'm here from the public library – let me know how I can help."

Danielle - I have been sending a weekly email to my school contacts with relevant resources, and then offer more help if they are interested, and follow their lead. One has taken me up, and we've recorded 3 videos through Google Hangouts about how to use the PL resources

Anna - We made short videos about our resources and shared them with the schools, one for kids and another for teens.

Jaime has had good luck communicating with the person from her school resource center but that media specialists seem overwhelmed. Anna said that many media specialists might have been reassigned to other tasks during COVID-19.

Lisa said that she has a connection with her school district's equity coordinator and that she is reaching out to her to see about coordination.

Keli said she is hoping to reach out to the unhoused youth representatives from the district, but that they may be more concerned right now with housing and safety issues.

Ian has been sending out his school newsletter a couple of times a month. Anna said that their open rate has tripled since the pandemic started.

Danielle has done Google Hangouts with area media specialists and shown them online resources that they can then put on the school Web page.

Summer Reading Without a Library?

Rachel will be planning her summer reading as entirely virtual.

Keli is concerned with doing virtual summer reading due to the Digital Divide among teens. She said that last year she did not have a single teen use the online version. Bobbye is on the summer reading committee for Multnomah County Libraries and said that they are still planning to have some kind of a paper game board – printable PDF and physical copies.

Mark said that he needs to figure out how to make summer reading fun without incentives.

Kris said that McMinnville plans to give away \$10 worth of “downtown bucks” for downtown businesses to people who complete the program. He is also doing Beanstack raffles.

Sonja is looking into the possibility of mailing incentives. She said it may not need to be completely virtual, but more “diffused.”

Aryn said at Hillsboro they are doing Read for a Cause and she is still hoping to continue to do that and transition to being online.

Ian said that the Beaverton City Library is planning for three possible scenarios and he has been brainstorming possible virtual contests like photography, gardening, writing, TikTok, etc.

Mark said that there has been talk of a Teen Virtual Prom – Teen Vogue has one coming up on May 16th. Sonja is thinking that she could encourage teens who have already gotten their prom clothes to submit photos – the same with hair, makeup, etc. Also encouraging parents to submit their own prom photos.

Jaime said they are still giving away free books but that they are buying the same book for every age group. She is hoping that they are linked thematically.

Heather - We are already doing curbside pickup of materials so we are going to do a free book at the beginning and another one for finishing. There are going to be way less choices this year. I have four choices for middle school and four for high school and they will tell us what they want and we will put them out to pick up

Brianna - @ North Plains Public Library we are considering doing summer reading by mail and getting books and activity packets at meal sites or maybe outside if conditions allow. We have too many patrons that lack internet access to do an online program. My best guess is books as prizes.

OYAN Book Rave

Sonja reminded everyone to watch at the end of April because the Book Rave list will still be coming!