

OLA SSD Meeting
January 11, 2013
11:00 AM

Present (remotely)

Sean Park, Margaret Harmon Myers, Elaine Bortles, Rea Andrew, Jay Hadley, Elizabeth Rivera, Sylvia Bowers

Guest: Lori Wamsley of PCC Library Certification Program.

Lori spoke: Their goal at PCC is to align their courses with LSSC certification. Students will then have the option of attaining the ALA certification. They will be bringing on new classes. They want to be a resource for library support staff, those trying to get into libraries or those who want to move into a new area in a library or brush up on their skills.

The library media assistant certificate at PCC has been around for 40 years. They want to broaden their coursework. The current certificate is just through PCC, not accredited by ALA. Internships are required. These internships can be quite useful to libraries, with the interns doing a variety of tasks for the course of a term (10 weeks long). Minimum of 100 hours for the internship.

The overall goal is to get PCC's courses aligned with LSSC certification. Lori would like to make this entire program available online.

Elaine asked if PCC student's were eligible for scholarships. LSSC is willing to offer PCC some scholarships, but not till after PCC gets their program more in line with LSSC. Margaret and Rea discussed having Lori come to the SSD conference and present some information about the program, and Lori agreed that would be a good idea. Margaret will be in touch with her.

Mission/Vision Statement: A motion was made and seconded to accept the new mission and vision statement. The vote was unanimous. We now have a new mission and vision!

Discussion regarding Continuing Education committee:

Rea: CE is liason person between OLA and SSD on sessions and proposals for OLA. If we get any sessions accepted, the CE person handles communication between SSD and OLA and the conference speakers. CE can also be involved with coordinating book mending workshops or other trainings.

2013 SSD Conference Check In:

Next conference committee meeting is January 16. We are all welcome to attend. There are about 3 others who want to help with the committee, but it seems like it will fall to SSD Board to put the conference together. Heidi from K Falls wants to do publicity. Postcard mailers, handouts, other things like that she can help with. Rea gave an update. She hopes

that Buzzy and the staff from Hood River will be involved, possibly with some local give aways, and also a list of good local places to eat and things to do. We need people to help with getting donations/sponsorships, which is challenging but important. Our site is confirmed for Hood River. Rea had some thoughts on keynote speaker. She feels this would be a good year to have Mary Kay Dahlgren speak. She's a good speaker and popular as a speaker. She could tailor a key note to whatever theme we choose. A possible theme would be "Are We There Yet?" which would cover perhaps any subject matter. The board is very supportive of Mary Kay as the speaker.

In terms of sessions: mending and "a day in the life" were both very popular sessions, that we want to keep. Some of our sessions that were rejected by OLA might be good to use for the SSD conference. One of the sessions was about civility, which was supported by the board.

Rea is very busy with the childrens' section move and re-organization at Newberg Library, so she is trying to get the conference planned by the end of March so that others can keep it going until the July date.

Sean also chimed in that he was extremely busy with an ILS migration but is willing to help with registration, which is a huge component. Jay said he can come to the planning meetings, and is able to do more April-July.

Re: the possible networking with the Oregon Association of School Libraries, Margaret is going to talk further with OASL folks at the next OLA meeting and continue to pursue that partnership.

Margaret will send out a message about our next OLA SSD meeting in February.

Meeting adjourned at about 12:05 PM.