

**Minutes: OYAN Quarterly Meeting, January 27, 2012
Eugene Public Library**

INTRODUCTIONS

Attendees: Susan Smallsreed (Multnomah), Ruth Allen (Multnomah), Lisa Elliott (Tigard), Kris Lutsock (McMinnville), Jeannie Rogers (Woodburn), Aimee Meuchel (Tualatin), Katie Anderson (State Library), K'Lyn Hann (Newberg), Teena Nelson (Driftwood PL, Lincoln City), Mark Richardson (Cedar Mill), Patrick Goodman (Garden Home), Cynthia Hutchinson (Douglas Co.), Jayne Guidinger (The Dalles Wasco Co.), Ellen Thompson (Coos Bay), Abbie Anderson (North Bend), Dawn Borgardt (Beaverton)

Virtual attendance: Ian Duncanson (Beaverton)

OLD BUSINESS

Review/approve minutes Ruth will resend the minutes from October, as some people did not think they received them.

Budget (Kris) Kris reviewed the budget. OYAN's balance as of December 31, 2011 is \$9,513.58.

OYAN Officer Nominations The current officers talked briefly about their positions. Please let Kris know if you are interested in a position for next year. Abby may be interested in the two-year CSLP position.

ACTION: Kris will put out an email call for nominations with a deadline of April 1st.

CSLP Teen Video Challenge (Lisa)

Lisa sent out an email with an entry form for the CSLP Teen Video Challenge. She has created a YouTube Channel for submissions which Lisa will connect to (you submit – she puts them up). There will be a two week channel for voting on submissions by “liking” them. Do you or your teens need support to participate? Let Lisa know. The deadline is March 3, 2012.

Oregon State Library Report (Katie)

Oregon Education Investment Board (Early Learning Council & Ready to Read):

At this time we are in a holding pattern. This fall the Early Learning Council (ELC) met to write a more detailed recommendation regarding what a statewide early childhood system should look like based on the Early Learning Design Team's Strawperson Proposal

(<http://www.oregon.gov/Gov/OEIB/Docs/EarlyLearningStrawperson101111.pdf>). ELC submitted their recommendation report

(<http://governor.oregon.gov/Gov/OEIB/Docs/EarlyLearningCouncilSB909Report1211.pdf>) to the Oregon Education Investment Board. The Board will then submit the recommendation report to the Legislature. The recommendation report is extremely vague, never mentioning Ready to Read so we don't know whether or not libraries will be included and we won't really know anything for certain until the Legislature makes a decision about the Early Childhood Council during session.

In the meantime library staff should...

- Plan for the Ready to Read Grant as usual. Libraries creating budgets should estimate to receive the same amount of money as they did last year for the 2011-2012 Ready to Read Grant cycle.
- Participate in local activities as if libraries are going to be part of the Early Learning Council and Oregon Education Investment Board so their library stays connected to and informed about their local education community. Even if libraries are not included, these

local agencies and organizations will continue to be our partners and libraries will still be a valuable resource for them and their clients.

- Contact their local legislators as usual during this legislative session to educate them about how their library uses State General Funds to support early learning and prevent summer learning loss. OLA's Legislative Committee has good resources to help library staff work with their legislators at:

<http://www.olaweb.org/mc/page.do?sitePageId=80672&orgId=ola>

Best Practices

I hope you have all seen the Youth Services Best Practices for Oregon Libraries website and blog (<http://orysbestpractices.wordpress.com/>). At this time only the summer reading portion is complete—thanks to OYAN and CSD for working with me to develop the components of high quality summer reading! If you ever run across anything related to summer reading programs that you think would be good to post on the blog, please let me know. Also, if you would like your library listed as an example, please let me know. The more examples the better for other libraries starting to think about how they may implement the components.

I will begin researching outreach this Spring and hopefully will be able to have a very rough draft of components of high quality library outreach programs to OYAN and CSD executive committee members in September—after your summer reading programs. All that will be expected is that OYAN executive committee members review the components and recommend changes based on their expertise and experience. When we did the summer reading components there were only 2-3 components that folks had a lot to say about that we discussed via email quite a bit. It was a good process that I don't think added too much to your workloads.

Summer Reading

The certificate design contest ends Monday. I've received more children's designs than ever, but no teen designs. I know they aren't nearly as popular with teens as with kids or kids' parents, but this year libraries have already ordered 7,000 teen certificates (2,000 more than last year). That does not include orders from schools. Please consider submitting a teen design by Monday, Jan 31. In the summer reading survey libraries offered a couple of really good suggestions such as getting the Governor to sign the certificates and making them available in half-sheet size. Due to unexpected increase in workload at the State Library, I won't be able to pursue those changes this year. However I think they're great ideas so the State Library will work on them for implementation in 2013.

Depending on the outcome of the legislative session, the Oregon College Saving Plan hopes to underwrite performers to libraries serving less than 10,000 people. This year we will provide these libraries with sample press releases to make promoting the performer easier. The only real change will be that libraries receiving free performances must actually participate in the sweepstakes. When recapping last year we learned that a handful of the libraries that had free performances never actually displayed or distributed any materials about the sweepstakes. The rest of the sweepstakes program will run like it did last year. Libraries placed orders for the materials and quantities they wanted via the 2011 summer reading statistics and ordering survey. Our goal is to get the materials to libraries early in May.

OLA Board Report (Kris)

- ♦ The board accepted the OLA president's resignation. There will be a special election in March. Abigail Elder will preside until August when the new president will take over.
- ♦ The 2014 conference location is up in the air. It's possible that OLA will hire a conference specialist to work out conference contracts.
- ♦ Kris passed around the new OLA logo. We can add OYAN to it for our documents. Susan suggested we use the official logo for the OYAN Book Rave. Discussion ensued about the appeal of the logo to teens.

NEW & CONTINUING BUSINESS

Mock Printz Report (Susan)

Attendance

The workshop was attended by 44 people. 15 teens, 29 adults. At one time we had 62 people registered and an long waiting list. By the time of the workshop, 15 had canceled, 7 no shows and 7 remained on the waiting list. There were several people that wanted to bring groups of teens, but couldn't be accommodated as Central Library can only accommodate 7 small groups at one time. This was the largest group since I have been coordinating the Mock Printz. A big factor in the increased size (20 more than 2011) was that Greg Lum promoted it to OASL. (Greg is on the Printz Award committee this year). The merger with OASL is likely to make this a regular occurrence as it will be easier to promote OYAN activities to middle and high school librarians.

Catering

A total of \$136.41 was spent at Costco on food and paper supplies.

Overall Evaluation

The average satisfaction score was **4.7 out of 5**, in which 5 was the best possible score. There were no scores below 4.

Qualitative Evaluation

The two questions are summarized below

1) What did you like best?

Many repetitions of "the discussion groups!" and "talking with people passionate about reading." A few comments about great snacks. Here's one that captures it all: *"In depth discussion; reading things I might not otherwise; presence of teens; chocolate and sugar snap peas"*

2) What could be improved.

- ♦ Some people wanted more time for small groups, more/less time in the large group, more teens, for everyone to have read all the books, and coffee. :>)
- ♦ Two to consider: *"Have the tally sheets in Alpha order by title - makes it just a tad bit easier to tally"* and provide coffee.

Other suggestions coming from the OYAN meeting: select 8 books instead of 10 to make it easier for people to get through all of the titles; further examine the idea of using Go to Meeting.

Susan floated the idea of charging a place holder fee to discourage people from dropping out of the workshop. A number of people were unable to attend because of registration initially filling up, or were taken off the waiting list in too short a time to get all the reading done. Another idea is to create a Mock Printz kit for teachers (or anybody else) to use with their students. We could make this available on the OYAN website.

OYEA Award

The OYEA Award will be given at the OLA Conference on Wednesday, April 25th at 5:00.

ACTION: By February 15th, Susan will send out an email to LIBS-OR and OYAN asking for submissions. The deadline for submissions is March 31, 2012.

OLA Conference Update (Kris)

Book Rave program Several people from Deschutes Library have volunteered to booktalk. If you're interested in booktalking, contact Kris at kris.lutsock@ci.mcminnville.or.us.

Program introductions

Censorship Preconference: Aimee or Traci

Graphic Novels: Mark, Aimee or Traci

Teen Spaces: Sonya?

Teen Crafting: Aimee, Lisa
Book Rave: Susan

Raffle

It's time to solicit prizes for the raffle. Email Traci or Aimee if you have ideas. Teena will ask Sylvia Beach and Ellen will try Bandon Dunes.

ACTION: Ruth will send Teena a copy of the letter she sent last year to Sylvia Beach.

OYAN Book Rave

Based on the first vote, we whittled the list down to sixteen titles. We will revote between February 15 and March 15 to fill the last four spots. There are 15 titles to be considered from the remaining nominations.

OYAN Graphic Rave

Please nominate titles for the Graphic Rave. Publication eligibility for this year is May 1, 2011 to April 30, 2012. Nominations close on June 1st with voting to begin on June 15th.

ACTION: Traci will send out a request for nominations.

ORCA

Traci is ready to get off of the ORCA Committee (this committee finalizes the ORCA Awards lists of books).

ACTION: Kris will send out a solicitation for members to join the ORCA committee. The OYAN Board will make the final decision. The term begins on April 1, 2012.

RESOURCE SHARING: PROGRAMS (all)

Tualatin (Aimee)

Aimee found a great website with craft ideas for teens: the4yablog.com

Driftwood (Tina)

Lots of crafty programming going on at Driftwood: Frankentoys, Steampunk Art, Button Bracelets, Henna Tattoos. For the 2011 Teen Read Week, she collaborated with a local school to bring *Awaken* author Katy Kacvinski for a visit.

Garden Home (Patrick) Patrick has an article coming out about preservation of high demand collections in the *PNLA Quarterly*.

Cedar Mill (Mark)

Cedar Mill had a gift making program with 5 stations set up for kids to make gifts for others. The most popular station by far was the earring making station. The last minute addition of feathers to this station was an extremely good decision. Mark was not sure how many earrings were made as gifts though, as most of the girls were wearing them by the end of the program. The t-shirt stencil station was popular but time consuming. The ornament station had some takers (empty plastic globes that you could fill with ribbons or other things – CD ornaments not as popular). The string doll station was not as well used as I thought it would be and hardly anyone made or redecorated a frame. There also was a wrapping station where they could decorate their wrapping paper too.

McMinnville (Kris)

For the second year, McMinnville hosted a Christmas Craft Fair where teens make their own crafts and set their own prices for them. A teen string quartet provided entertainment.

Newberg (K'Lyn)

Newberg Library held its 13th annual Kids' Craft Sale with youth 18 years and younger selling

hand-made, non-food items at the Library's annual Tree Lighting event which provides a built-in attendance for this sale.

Multnomah County (Susan and Ruth)

Central Library will be hosting a Hunger Games party on Saturday, March 17th that will be organized and put on by the Northwest Library's Teen Council. James Kennedy will host a showing of the 90 Second Newbery films at Central on Saturday, March 3, 2012. Here's a link to the event: <http://events.multcolib.org/event/90-second-newbery-film-festival>.

Tigard (Lisa)

James Kennedy will be doing a program entitled "Real Japan for Anime Fans" on Thursday, March 1st. Here's the link to all of Tigard's teen programs: <http://www.tigard-or.gov/library/teens/default.asp>

Upcoming OYAN Meetings

Spring 2012 Friday, May 4th 11:00-3:00 at Lebanon Public Library
Summer 2012 Friday, July 20th 11:00-3:00 at Driftwood Public Library (Lincoln City)

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Allen, Secretary