**7Wisconsin Library Association**

**Youth Services Section Board Meeting**

**Friday, August 28th**

**2pm - 3pm**

**Present: Katherine Schoofs, Marge Loch-Wouters, Anne Hamland, Sue Abrahamson, Florence LeBeau, Katie Kiekhafer, Tess Schmidt, Susie Menk, Emily Zorea, Jenny Wegener**

**Virtual Meeting link:** [**https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/770713133**](https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/770713133)

**Approve Agenda:**  
Motion-Emily Z. 2nd Katie K.

**Welcome**

**Old Business:**

Public/School Libraries Group - (Katie) Anne & Tessa

* finalize [visual report](https://dpi.wi.gov/wilibrariesforeveryone/supporting-collaboration-survey-results-are) of 2019 survey DPI & YSS blog
* Share out WLA Facebook, emails
* WLA newsletter; discussion & observation about group dynamics; give school folks a break
* Emily--exciting time for collaboration between libraries and schools; school librarians invited to table in ways never before

YSS Luncheon - Katie

* cancelled due to COVID-19
* pass along to Michael maybe keep in reserve for next year; great to work with and excited about opportunity

Marketing Committee - Anne & Katherine

* started YouTube channel
* awesome virtual library tours-put on blog
* Hannah Bunting wonderful helper-helped with MailChim
* highlighting blog posts that are top notch
* submitted something WLA newsletter
* consistency is working
* standardized yss chair email is helping

**New Business:**

DPI Youth Update: Tessa

* webinar about Beanstack going well
* Beanstack up until 2023
* share out new things for this fall
* [end of summer survey](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdqwRQuxtvf1yrjDP9Wm9u3iTEpMuL79vezpvkD-PFtxQr2dw/viewform?usp=sf_link) through CLSP looking for feedback not found in annual report
* state putting together professional learning options for library staff on stress & burnout [Compassion Resilience Toolkit](https://compassionresiliencetoolkit.org/) look for in Nov/Dec
* fall sign-up for [Project Ready](https://ready.web.unc.edu/): self paced online study on race/culture for library staff for school & public library cohorts
* [CCBC updated website](https://ccbc.education.wisc.edu/) with new search features especially diversity books and statistics

COVID-19 - How can we continue providing support to library staff serving youth and families?

* WE ROCK
* Provide opportunities for get togethers and sharing ideas and support
* Keep social piece of WLA going
* Share early literacy calendar--best of ….
* Teen librarians getting together (maybe roll into SIG)

YSS Elections - Katie

* WLA elections YSS should go forward
* Director at large
* Chair
* WLA liaison
* Don’t want to miss opportunity/ nominees are still on board/ service to members
* Emily motioned to go forward, 2nd Susie

YSS Blog - Katherine & Marge

* Still happening
* Marge took over--doing great!
* Over 573,000 views, great commitment
* Doubled our average views since COVID-19
* Contributions-encourage others to send a blog
* Took Facebook questions and shared out on blog
* National followers
* Clean up tags on posts--send to board to look at; use subject based cloud based on tags
* Assign people to keep track of key social media groups to highlight on blog
* Teen post of the week--looking for someone

YSS Powerhouse/Virtual Regional Meet Ups - Flo & Katie

* Great fun!
* Do it again?--every quarter (3 months)
* Great sharing/collaboration
* Lots of libraries to share

Conference Committees

* WLA - officially cancelled
  + Virtual YSS Hang?
    - Virtual escape room
    - Virtual mad libs
    - Virtual YSS luncheon--couple different activities
    - Still do a speaker
    - Talent show
    - Beanstack speaker
    - YSS membership virtual meeting--October 15th in afternoon
    - Google doc for planning
* Storytime Resource
  + Linked to blog
  + Needs some promotion
  + Make it searchable
* Form Letter
  + Letter to help say why YSS and WLA
  + Welcome letter for YSS new members (potential member)
  + Katherine and Susie will work on
* YA SIG
  + Jenny point person
  + Connect with YA group--Taylor Wilcox (Waupace Public Library Teen person)
  + Got some responses

YSS Membership Committee

* On hold for now
* Need to clarify before starting
* Helpful to have letter ready first

CBAC - Katherine

* Winners
  + Cracking the Bell Jeff ? WINNER
  + 10 Notable Honor Titles
  + List on YSS blog
  + Notable Author Winner Kashmira
  + Katherine Chair; Julia Chair elect for next year

WLA Board Report Liaison - Sue

* WLA next meeting September 11
* Elections/Conferences concerns
* Financial strains
* Survey results were mixed
* Leadership Development Institute uncertain
* Contingency plans for other conferences

**Adjourn**

Motin-Sue A. 2nd Florence

Respectfully submitted by

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