

## **YSS Meeting**

**January 11, 2017**

*YSS advocates for professional empowerment, collaboration, and innovative, inclusive, and intentional service*

**Members present: Bridget, Caitlin, Elizabeth, Julie, Leah, Terry, Tessa, Susie, Sue, Emily, Sarah**

Motion to approve agenda was made by Julie, and Leah seconded. The agenda was approved.

### **Old Business**

#### Board Retreat

- The Board Retreat is scheduled on January 27 from 9:30-4:00. Lunch menus were discussed and Emily agreed to place an order for us.
- At the time of the meeting, seven non board members had signed up for the afternoon part of the retreat.
- Leah will send an email reminder to system consultants, as well as posting an additional Google + and MemberClicks reminder.
- The agenda will be sent.

#### WAPL

- YSS will vet programs and members are encouraged to send program requests to YSS if they want us to sponsor them.
- Two programs were approved at the meeting: One is about developing a nonfiction collection and the other is about doing STEM programs on a budget.

#### Webpage

- It was suggested that our mission statement be on our webpages.

#### YSS Powerhouse Presents

- Powerhouse Presents will move to being twice a year, rather than four times a year (one in the spring and one in the fall).
- Emily and Julie volunteered to work with Leah on finding ideas for topics and presenters.

### **New Business**

#### Procedures and Logistics for 2017

- Julie went over the procedure for minutes and the approval process. It was decided that we will continue to approve minutes via email.
- The meetings will be scheduled using a DoodlePoll. Our next meeting (after the retreat) will be February 16, from 2:30-3:30.

#### YSS Luncheon Speaker 2018/WLA Conference Committee

- Leah is looking for financial assistance with getting a speaker for 2017. She would like to invite Andrea Davis Pinkney and has been looking for donations to help offset the remaining cost after WLA contributes their \$3000. Sue also suggested sharing the costs with a school district.
- Susie will help Terry with the 2018 Luncheon Speaker.
- Tessa thought that the speakers should be aligned with our mission statement and reflect our branding and membership.
- Julie and Caitlin also volunteered to work on the Conference Committee with Susie and Terry.
- Tessa suggested a pre-conference idea about having the authors of an article and presentation on Story Time inclusion. It was suggested that this be a full day event and that we could partner with the CCBC to have book lists that would support inclusive story time. Tessa will reach out to the authors and see if they are interested in coming to the preconference.
- All board members agreed to read the article and talk about it at the retreat.

#### Blog

- Sarah Counoyer will be turning over the administration of the blog to Aimee Schreiber who will take over on January 16.

#### Library Assistant Training

- YSS would like to start a series of initiatives for training new YS assistants.
- It was suggested that new YS assistants attend the Power Up Conference.
- In addition, there was the suggestion of having one of the Powerhouse presentations be for assistants, to find out what others are doing to support their librarians and managers.
  - Leah was going to touch base with some people who would be willing to discuss their jobs.
  - It was also suggested that we make a list of resources at the retreat that might be helpful.
  - “What do you need to know as a new library paraprofessional/librarian”

Motion to adjourn was made by Susie and seconded by Sarah. It was approved.

Submitted by Julie Kinney, YSS Secretary

January 22, 2017