

YSS Meeting

January 26, 2018

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

Members present: Sarah Cournoyer, Sue Abrahamson, Claire Parrish, Caitlin Schaffer, Elizabeth Timm, Katie Kiekhafer, Tessa Schmidt, Emily Sanders, Julie Kinney, Marge Loch-Wouters. **Absent:** Terry Ehle

Terry asked if there were any additions to be made to the agenda. There were none.

Motion to approve agenda was made by Elizabeth and Claire seconded. The agenda was approved.

Old Business

12 Months of Code Resources

- Decided to contact Terry and ask to use her template from “52 Weeks of Teen Programming.”
- Looking to send out an invitation via memberclicks to start gathering information and programs.
- Looking at rolling out the resource at the WLA conference.
- Online document that will include pictures and videos

Membership Survey

- Survey was returned for edits.
- Linda Jerome is also on the WLA Membership Committee

Book Award Updates

- Three open positions were filled

WAPL

- Using YSS as a way to recruit, vet and guide proposals for WLA was successful and will continue for WAPL.
- YSS will submit a slate of proposed programs to the chair of the proposal committee.
- Several WAPL proposals were discussed and it was decided to forward them to the proposal committee.
- The wording for the program submission was discussed.

Milwaukee Public Library Outreach Visit

- On February 8, members of YSS visited the Milwaukee Public Library to present about Youth Services Section of WLA
- Milwaukee County Federated Library System does not have a youth consultant, but does have regular youth services meetings.
- Talk about current benefits and special interest groups

YSS Meet Ups

- Caitlin suggested a meet up in Oconomowoc and getting ideas together for that.
- There was a possible Sparta/La Crosse meet up.
- It was suggested that a library in an area of the state that doesn't have a chance to meet should consider hosting a meet up.

- The hosting library will create a blog post about the meet up experience.
- Expectations from YSS include
 - Membership discussion
 - YS members to talk about the benefits of being a member
 - What isn't be addressed by WLA/YSS that you would like us to?
 - A board member or an ambassador should try to be at every meet up
 - Talk about different ways to pay for membership

YSS Powerhouse Presents

- Teen Outreach Webinar on February 23 from 1-2
- Julie will check in with Terry and Leah.

New Business

WEMTA Booth

- Suggesting dual membership in WEMTA and WLA
- New school library consultant at DPI
- Discussions of what will happen at the booth
- Reach out to CCBC next year

Leadership Report

- Discussion of the orientation

YSS Priorities

- Supporting WLA Goals
 - Connect, Belong, Lead, Learn, Advocacy
- What is our "big picture"?
- Continue with value statement
- Codifying meet ups and ambassadors
- Value for membership and making the membership valuable
- Connecting "isolated" folks/new library staff
 - Reaching back to pull someone forward/up
- Connecting with other units of WLA
 - Finding overlaps and places we could resource share
 - Lending models

Conference Committees

- Standing board officers and new officers
- Directors at large to mentor new directors
- WAPL
 - Emily and Elizabeth
- WLA
 - Claire and Caitlin

- Recruiting MN speakers through previous YSS members now in Minnesota
- Coordinate with Tessa
- Duties include checking on paperwork, introducing speakers, collecting feedback forms, deciding on balance within programs

WLA Preconference

- Discussions were held regarding what if anything we should do for a preconference
- Decided not hold one this year
- Suggested a series of programs that might span more than one session
 - For example, we would host a coding program on Wednesday afternoon that would start in one session with coding basics, continue in the following session with hands on coding activities
 - Coding track would continue on Thursday with a coding escape room (this might be our YSS social.)

Marketing Calendar

- When do we want to send out targeted mailings?
- A google docs calendar will be set up and dates entered.

Next Meeting February 27 at 1:30

Submitted by Julie Kinney

February 13, 2018