YSS Meeting
August 14, 2018

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

Members present: Sarah Cournoyer, Claire Parrish, Katie Kiekhafer, Julie Kinney, Terry Ehle, Caitlyn Shaffer

Guests: Linda Jerome, YSS Membership Committee
         Roxane Bartelt, WLA Conference Chair 2019

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

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

Old Business

Membership Survey (Linda Jerome)

- Current timeline for the distribution of the survey
  - August 27 Distribution
  - October 1 Surveys Due Date
  - Results will be shared at the WLA Board Meeting at WLA in October
- Linda asked about using when the ballots were due back for the elections and Terry told us that the due date for ballots was September 25.
- Linda also asked if Memberclicks was the best way to send the survey and Sarah responded by letting us know that Memberclicks only seems to be getting to part of the list and suggested that we use Mail Chimp. Sarah will send Linda the log in information for Mail Chimp.
- Terry asked if there was a way to reach the WEMTA membership with this survey. Linda suggested that we talk with Marge, as she has been working directly with WEMTA.
- Tess will also forward the survey to her list of youth services contacts and Linda will send the survey to systems staff and encourage them to reach out to possible youth services staff that might get missed.

Volunteer Contacts

- Katie wanted to know if the sending the survey in August will interfere with the membership survey and the ballot.
- Sarah suggested that sending the survey out shortly before the conference might encourage folks to stop by the booth at WLA and sign up or ask questions. Katie added that it would allow members to put a face to the name.
- Katie asked if we wanted any changes and the board felt that the survey was good to go.
- Katie asked about the best way to send out the survey, and the board felt that MemberClicks and Mail Chimp were the best way to go.

WLA Nominations

- Terry had no updates.
- There was discussion regarding the WLA representative and how that position was filled, as Sue A, had agreed to finish out Marge’s term when Marge was elected to the WLA board. Sarah asked if it was an elected position and if it had to be a board member. Terry responded that it didn’t have to be a board
member. She wasn’t sure if the position had to be elected or if it could be chosen. She will double check and let the board know.

- Sarah asked if there were any volunteers, and to let her know if we knew someone who might be willing to take this on.

YSS Powerhouse Presents

- Julie will be contacting possible presenters this week and next week. Many of these were from the list of possible programs for WLA. She also asked if anyone had any other possible presenters in mind.

YSS Hour of Code

- Caitlyn reached out and emailed everyone who submitted a program (except for the person who wasn’t a YSS member) that they had been accepted for “12 Months of Code.” She felt that overall the proposals covered a wide range of levels.
- Submitters were also invited to be part of the Coding Collaborative section, where attendees can view the programs in action. Terry will be there. Julie might be. Katie will check in with the others.
- Caitlyn also wanted to know if we should make this a document on line only, or if we should create a PDF that folks could download. There was overwhelming support for the PDF version.

WLA Conference Committee

- Claire let us know that all is going well and that she has been working closely with Roxane on the conference.
- Terry asked if there was a way for us to have the YSS social “preapproved” so we don’t have to create a program proposal every year.

New Business

2019 WLA Conference Luncheon Speaker (Roxane Bartelt)

- Roxane spoke about wanting to smooth out the process for proposals for next year.
- She also wanted us to be aware that we should be thinking about a luncheon speaker for 2019 in the next few months. Last year, most of the major speakers for this year were in place by December/January, which made it easier to share with library leaders at the Leader Workshop in January. Also the conference itself will be earlier in October (October 8-11) which moves the process forward about three weeks.
- The budget is $3000 including travel expenses.
- Terry double checked on the travel expenses, because this year the $3000 did not include travel expenses. Roxane clarified that if we were a little over that might be ok, but to remember that rooms are $99/night and food was $51/day.
- Sarah is ready to get started on this and thought that it was good to know the deadlines.
- Roxane also asked to be on the agenda for the YSS Board Meeting at WLA in La Crosse this year to talk about how they were planning on updating the proposal form to allow more unit leaders to recruit who we want to present. She also mentioned that the group was going to remove the honorarium request from the proposal paperwork. She emphasized that the Conference Committee wanted to be more proactive about working with unit leaders to schedule programs they were interested in.
Regional Meet Up

- Caitlyn will be coordinating a regional meet up in her area after WLA.

CCBC Booth Sponsorship

- Megan wanted to know if WLA was sponsoring this booth. It’s just a given that they get two tables.
- Terry will talk with Roxane about having the same thing for the YSS booth and the social.
- CCBC will have books from “Choices,” but Sarah asked if there were any other suggestions for materials.
- Two suggestions:
  - Diverse and inclusive titles
  - Book challenge information

Katie motioned to adjourn, Caitlyn seconded.

Next Meeting September, exact date TBD

Submitted by Julie Kinney

August 21, 2018