

YS Forum Meeting Agenda

Naperville Public Library, 95th Street Branch

November 3, 2017 11:00 – 3:00 pm

Attendance:

Christy Kepler – Oswego
Anne Kunzen – Huntley
Vince Sovanski - Glenside
Jen Abler - Oak Lawn
Irene Ciciora - Chicago Ridge
Cyndi Robinson – ILA
Ruth Anne Mielke – Bartlett
Kerry Devitt- Arlington Heights
Heidi Knuth – Bloomingdale
Ellen Norton – Naperville
Sarah Prokop – Ela
Tina Ruzsala – Reddick
Lisel Ulaszek – Geneva
Leander Spearman (Liaison)-Belleville –via Phone

Not in Attendance:

Kate Ealey – Glen Ellyn
Jennifer Bueche – Elgin
Tracey Vittorio – Plainfield
Jill Martorano - Glenside

I. Welcome and Reports

- a. Introductions
- b. Forum buddies for new members – Kerry – Vince and Irene – Jen A.
- c. Assign note taker - Christy
- d. Approval of minutes from **August 4, 2017** - minutes approved as is.
- e. Additions or changes to agenda?
 - i. Add in – under III. Elect additional positions such as chairs for committees.
- f. ILA Board report (*Leander*) – New Executive Director of ILA – Diane Foote, Tinley Park reviews were good; It will be used for a future location possibly 2019. Board meetings will move around new places in the state with the February meeting being virtual.
 - i. Additional comments from Cyndi – Told us a little more about the new Executive Director, Diane Foote. She has a strong children’s services background including ALSC. Diane starts on November 14th.
 - ii. On ILA webpage - We can add members of the board to the page. Board voted “yes” to do add this list.
 - iii. Peoria is the location for the next conference – October 9-12, 2018
- g. YASF report - Evan Mather – meeting on 11-9-17 will get info after the meeting.
- h. iREAD report - Nikita Webb – no news yet.
- i. Correspondence –
 - i. Vince – commented on a card received from former YS Forum Board member - Sheri Daun-Bedford. She thanked us for the card sent to her upon her husband’s passing.

II. Business

- a. Check YS Forum Board Roster information – Please update your information, if needed.
- b. Review of Art Institute Workshop on September.
 - i. Attendance was –41.

Ruth Anne spoke on her experience attending the workshop. She enjoyed the different challenges and projects that day. There is software on the museum’s site that visitors and educators can create your own tour. Educators can contact museum for information any time for info on art. Overall the experience was very good and she thought the field trip was worth it.
- c. 2017 ILA Conference Review:
 - i. Breakfast – Ruth Anne Mielke & Jennifer Bueche
 1. Speaker Terry Murphy’s presentation was very good. Space was a little big, but comfortable. Food was very good. Attendance was a little lower – we had 90. Usually there are about 110-120.
 - ii. Stories & Spirits – Christy Kepler & Ellen Norton
 1. Went well. Room a little big. Food was very good and plenty. Rob Innes and Robert Haddock, and publishers sponsored the event.
 - iii. Awards – Jill Martorano
 1. Anne spoke – plenty of nominations this past year and was a difficult choice due to excellence of nominees. Awards luncheon – a few technical difficulties but food was good and was over all nice. Vince commented that he would have liked to see a standing ovation for Librarian of the Year and for thanking Bob Doyle.
 - iv. YS Forum sponsored programs –
 1. Ignite – Ellen
 - a. Attendance – at least 60. Went really well. Only one critical comment about the speed and amount of information crammed in. Likely the person did not know what the structure was. Time of day for this program was good and people commented on liking a lighter program at the end of the day. Had a good variety of topics and libraries represented. Ellen would like to propose this again.

Future ideas Listed on Evaluations –

 - Reader’s advisory for kids
 - Middle grade summer programs
 - Community outreach ideas
 - Preschool programs
 2. Creativity is Contagious – Christy and Ruth Anne

Had about 55 people attend. 30 evaluations turned in.

Attendance was mix of - Youth Services, Adult Services, Teen Services, Board President, Tech Services, Homeschool Librarian, Circulation and Marketing, Adult Material Services.

Very favorable comments overall. Few wanted more time for Q & A. Two wished had more ideas for adults. Many people stayed and took templates and pictures of projects.

Future Ideas listed on Evaluations –

 - Baby Storytime books
 - Art
 - More Ignite!
 - Special needs programs
 - Book Clubs for Kids – how to make them successful
 3. Betsy Bird – Jennifer Bueche

- a. Attendance was about 60. Vince – we gave a report from Jennifer – all responses were very good.
- v. Y.S. Forum Pub Stroll Event –
 - 1. Baird – Andy thanked us for sponsoring. Would like us to sponsor us again. YS Board is up for doing this again. Cyndi had a great suggestion for getting sponsors to have free drink coupons at their booths. We thought maybe we could contact Baird and then have tickets at our booth too – maybe prize on a spinning wheel?
- vi. YS Forum Table
 - 1. Went well. Display - Soup display and table cloth and treats great. Giveaway for gift card online and at table was good. Location of booth was a little tricky to find but we would like to be next to iRead. The board would definitely like to do table again. Vince commented on how it was very slow sometimes.
- vii. The Soup – Contests and new members – Anne Kunzen
 - 1. Anne – got maybe about 5 new members form ILA. Was lower than expected. People didn't get to post online and at the booth. Next year – have more Facebook posts maybe some live ones too. We are up to 191 members on the Soup.
- viii. Public Library Standards for Y.S. – Meeting with Betsy Adamowski @ ILA
 - 1. We will continue to work on it with the Young Adult Forum. It is currently on online Google Doc. From the conversations – be sure to think of the super small libraries (5 people or smaller.) Ruth Anne had the suggestion to try and get to visit some of the very small libraries to get input from them. Perhaps make contact virtually.

We will have a sub-committee of YS Forum board members to be work on this. Evan and Rachel from YA Forum are working on this project with us.
- ix. Other thoughts on conference
 - 1. None
- d. Post cards to new YS Forum members – Jennifer Bueche
 - i. No news from Jennifer on this. Vince sent Jennifer the list of YS interested people from the sheet we had at the table at our conference booth.
- e. New Workshops/Fieldtrips
 - i. Committee for Planning Workshops/Fieldtrips
 - 1. Discussion on quantity of these we want to do. We would like to check in on what LACONI is doing. Board is unsure if we want to do more. One idea from Tina – to take on smaller sites if LACONI is doing big locations. We are tabling the planning of more workshops right now.
- f. Any area YS meetings, programs or other educational opportunities that anyone would like to announce to forum.
 - i. None.

III. New Business

- a. Fill New Positions:
 - i. Election of 2018-19 Co-Managers for November 2017 – October 2018
 - 1. Tina & Liesl
 - ii. Awards Committee –
 - 1. Vince - Chair – Anne, Liesl, Irene, Jill
 - iii. Breakfast Committee
 - 1. Anne & Jen A.
 - iv. Stories & Spirits
 - 1. Tina & Liesl
 - v. Standards Committee
 - 1. Ellen - Chair, Heidi, Jennifer, Ruth Anne
 - vi. Pub Stroll Committee 2018
 - 1. Heidi, Vince
 - vii. Pre/Conference Committee

1. Jen A., Anne - Monday – Pre-conference – Area Library Bus Tour – start right after lunch so people could come in that day.
 - viii. Continuing Ed Committee
 1. Tina, Ruth Anne, Jill?
 - ix. Marketing & Promotions
 1. Christy, Sarah, Jennifer B., Kerry - Includes – ILA table, Reaching Forward, LACONI programs
- b. 2018 ILA Conference program ideas – Libraries All Inclusive - October 9-11 in Peoria.
- Submissions – Dec. 1 – March 16, 2018
- i. Ignite – Ellen heading up – Anne, Vince, Heidi
 - ii. Baby Ideas Program – Sarah
 - iii. Book Clubs for Kids – Ruth Anne heading up
 - iv. Betsy Bird – Jennifer Bueche? Vince?
 - v. New Passive Programming – Jennifer heading up?, Ellen, Tina, Kerry
 - vi. You Can't Do That Library – resubmit – Liesl heading up, 4th-8th
 - vii. Programming Ideas for 4-6th grade – Christy heading up
- Ideas but no specific program or speaker yet -
- viii. LGBT Program – find an outside speaker
 - ix. JJ's List – have the group come to present – who head up?
 - x. How to be a Presenter 101
 - xi. List some ideas on the Soup and ask a proposal?

IV. Upcoming Meetings:

- a. February 2, 2018 – 95th St. branch of Naperville Public Library
- b. May 4, 2018 – 95th St. branch of Naperville Public Library
- c. August 10, 2018 – 95th St. branch of Naperville Public Library
- d. October 2018 – at conference
- e. November ?, 2018 –