

OYAN Minutes
January 28, 2005
Oregon State Library

***NOTE: These minutes were prepared long after the actual meeting with no notes to refer to; subsequently, there are portions that may be incomplete.*

Attending

Executive Board: Ali Kastner, Co-Chair (Multnomah County); John Sexton, Co-Chair (Jackson County); Susan Ludington, Vice-Chair (Deschutes); Lee Catalano, Newsletter Editor (Multnomah County); Carol Reich, Past Chair (Hillsboro). Absent: Mary Ginnane, Secretary (Eugene); K'Lyn Hann, Web Editor (Newberg).

Members: Sara Ryan (Multnomah County); Linda Olson (Deschutes); Heidi Weisel (Corvallis-Benton County); Carol Bray and Doris Hicks (Albany); Jeannie Rogers (Woodburn); Christine Atkinson (Fern Ridge); Sue Plaisance (Hillsboro); Carol Lamb (Douglas County); MaryKay Dahlgreen (Oregon State Library).

Introductions

Following introductions, a sign-up sheet for next meeting's agenda items was circulated.

Old Business

Approval of the October Minutes

The October minutes were reviewed and discussed. Reich moved to approve, and Plaisance seconded.

Financial Report & Membership Stats

As of January 1, 2005, OYAN has \$4949.81 in its account. Membership seems to have dropped, with our current dues-paying membership including 65 individuals.

Continuing Business

OLA Legislative Day

This year, OLA Legislative Day was held on January 27th in Salem. This is the chance when librarians and library advocates schedule appointments with their local legislators to discuss the current needs of libraries, trends and developments in their regions, and the government's role in supporting library services. Dahlgreen reported that several librarians from around the state did participate, but that more are needed. Ludington inquired about the knowledge one needed to have to approach the legislators, and Dahlgreen informed us that we basically have the knowledge we need to get involved in future Legislative Days (always held in late January). If desired, librarians can pair up to talk to legislators, or, she suggested, members could contact OLA Board or others more connected to the event and request assistance. It's quite important, Dahlgreen reiterated, that more people become involved with this opportunity.

OLA Booktalks

Four OYAN members volunteered to present Book Rave booktalks at the upcoming OLA Conference in Portland: Leigh Ann Morlock, Mark Richardson, Linda Olson, and Ruth Allen. Their session will last 1.5 hours, and will showcase the titles ultimately selected by OYAN members for the 2005 Book Rave.

OLA Pre-Conference Review

Kastner and Sexton presented the details for the upcoming OYAN Pre-Conference, "It's Not Brain Surgery, It's Brain Science." The cost to attend the full-day session is \$85.00, regardless of whether you do early-bird registration or not. Currently, scheduled on the program are:

- Chris Crutcher, YA author and opening speaker
- Jerry Fest, an author and Youth Services Consultant speaking on Positive Youth Development
- Barb Ruben, a Ph.D. candidate studying adolescent brain development
- Susan Smallsreed and John Sexton, YA librarians to talk about how to incorporate youth participation in libraries
- Teens from the Sexual Minority Youth Resource Council, representing a real-life example of Positive Youth Development

OLA/OYAN Raffle

Ludington solicited ideas for Raffle prizes, particularly with regard to gift baskets. She has begun contacting previous sponsors for donations; soliciting testimonials from previous winners; and contacting the OLA Conference committee regarding table arrangements and the announcement of Raffle winners. Anyone who can contribute any ideas or donations is asked to contact Ludington at susanl@dpls.us.

SRP Collaborative

Kastner requested submissions for next year's Teen Summer Reading Program manual. (???)

New Business

Teen Summer Reading Program Survey

The results from the Teen Reading Programs survey (conducted in conjunction with the CSD's SRP survey) were presented. A total of 41 libraries responded on various aspects of TSRP's including:

- Time frame, ages of participants, number of participants
- Incentive prizes
- Programming for teens
- Funding sources

It is anticipated that the full report will be available on the OYAN website in the near future.

Book Rave

Sexton presented the list of 42 titles, which members then debated the merits of. Final choices – approximately 20 – will make up OYAN's 2005 Book Rave list. However, because there were some titles readers felt strongly about, but which hadn't been read by more than a couple of people, Sexton agreed to send those choices back to the membership for additional online voting. He'll receive votes through February 22nd, and will create the final Book Rave list so that it's printed in time for the OLA Conference.

Quarterly Business

Newsletter Submissions and Due Dates

A sign-up sheet for submissions for the OYAN newsletter was passed around, with the announcement that items are due by March 25th.

Future Meeting Dates

- Spring meeting: April 29th - Medford
- Summer meeting: July 22nd or July 29th – Bend
- Fall meeting: TBD (???)

Book Reviews and Programs

- Plaisance: Hillsboro PL is gearing up for an “Introduction to Acoustic Guitar” workshop for teens in February
- Sexton: “Senior Saturday” in its 6th year at Jackson CL, an event held from 9 am-12 pm just for high school seniors to work on senior project. This year, 126 teens made use of the opportunity to receive exclusive assistance from library staff.
- Kastner: Actors on the Go (???)
- Weisel:
 - o Storytelling program
 - o LOTR extended marathon during Spring Break
 - o Data & Desserts: Parents/kids invited to library to learn about databases (a program highlighted in School Library Journal)
- Atkinson: Inquired about legitimacy and usefulness of “We the People Bookshelf” grant opportunity provided by the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Submitted by Susan Ludington, OYAN Vice-Chair, on behalf of Mary Ginnane, OYAN Secretary
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