OYAN Meeting
October 15, 2004, 11 a.m., Hollywood Branch, Multnomah County Library

Present: Susan Ludington (Deschutes PL), Alison Kastner (Multnomah CL), MaryKay Dahlgreen (State Library), Jackie Rose (Lake Oswego PL), John Sexton (Jackson CL), Sue Plaisance (Hillsboro PL), Carol Reich (Hillsboro PL), Lee Catalano (Multnomah CL), Mark Richardson (Cedar Mill and Tigard PL’s), Christine Atkinson (Fern Ridge PL), Mary Ginnane (Eugene PL), Linda Olson (Deschutes PL), Keren Joshi (Wilsonville PL)

Introductions

1. Minutes
The minutes of the July 23, 2004 meeting were accepted as distributed.

2. Financial Report
OYAN has $4,949.81 in account from OLA balance sheet, as of 8-31-04.

3. Continuing Business
Statewide Teen Read Update
--permission received from Multnomah County to piggyback on the Everybody Reads program and try to encourage libraries and teens around the state to read the same book
--MCL is reading Sandra Cisneros’ “The House on Mango St.”
--Time period: January-February, 2005
--there will be materials to use on an Everybody Reads website; OYAN would promote in newsletter and on website

ACTION: Ali will send announcement when the materials are available.
ACTION: Secretary then submit article to OLA online newsletter, libs-or, OYAN list etc.

OLA Website
--topic at last OLA Executive Board
--lots of problems with the server and ISP; many problems caused by the formats of materials sent to Rachel Mendez (the website editor) from the OLA subgroups
--Rachel is funded for 10 hours a month and works many more hours on the website
--OLA pays $29/month to the ISP
--resolution approved to start research into migrating the OLA website to a new ISP

Q. Can OYAN have its own webpage or upload our own materials?
A. John didn’t get a sense that control was the issue--more of a problem from the ISP end.
ACTION: John will ask OLA Board about OYAN having its own webpage.

Summer Reading Program (SRP) Collaborative Recap of background about sending a person from OYAN to the SRP Collaborative annual meeting. If an OYAN representative is not sent we’ll have to trust decisions will have OYAN input from the CSD and State Library representative (need to officially request the State Library to send the YS Consultant). If an OYAN representative is sent, we’ll have actual input but also the costs of such. Other background:

- Collaborative is working on 2006 programs
- wouldn’t yield another vote for OYAN
- no previous OYAN commitment to send a person
- need for continuity from year to year might be served by the State Library

The Executive Committee members recommended that OYAN request the State Library to send the YS consultant to the Collaborative instead of sending an OYAN representative. OYAN would provide some financial support, promote and encourage input for the Collaborative manual, support the Collaborative, evaluate, and look for other ways to support small libraries participating. Agreement among the Executive Committee that OYAN would financially contribute to MKD attending.

More background:

-6 votes for Oregon
-$3,000 per year for Oregon (OLA) to be a member of the Collaborative is paid from LSTA Funds; this amount also covers buying a manual for each library; and contributes to travel costs for CSD attendance.

Recommendation from the attendees to the Collaborative last year to try and secure continuity in decision-making through attendance by the Youth Services Consultant of the State Library.

Pros & Cons Discussion:
SRP is institutionalized in CSD; for OYAN the advantage is for small libraries to get the materials; attendance may not be as important; recommend meeting with CSD and the YS Consultant to have input and be seen as participants.

Oregon’s six votes belong to the “official” OLA representative who is the CSD representative. That is the only person who can open their mouth and vote.

Discussion about teen program at the annual Collaborative meeting is currently a small percentage of the discussion time but that will grow.

ACTION: John Sexton will get together with Chandra (CSD President) and write a letter to the OLA Executive Board asking OLA to request the State Library to support the concept of sending the Youth Services Consultant to the SRP
Collaborative. John will present the letter at the next Executive Board meeting. Important to convey that OYAN wants to participate in the statewide summer reading program albeit in a different manner than CSD. OYAN would have a point person, get together with CSD prior to the Collaborative meeting and plan for participation, and assist with distribution, implementation, and evaluation.

**ACTION:** Susan will participate on the Collaborative Manual Committee. Suggestion that OYAN transform participation on former statewide manual committee to helping put together the Spring workshop and bring the workshop to Eastern Oregon.

Motion: Support 1/2 of Youth Services Consultant’s trip to the SRP Collaborative meeting in collaboration with CSD up to $500
Passed unanimously.

We’ll remain open to OYAN sending someone in the future should evaluation point in that direction.

4. OLA Conference 2005 Preconference

**News from OLA:**
--Preconference proposal has been accepted.
--co-sponsored program also accepted (CSD, OYAN, IF Committee).
--Booktalk workshop also accepted.

Christine informed the group that CSD wants to be part of the booktalking program. OYAN planners feel that young adult books need the whole time.

**ACTION:** Christine will report back to CSD that a shared booktalking session is not doable.

**Update on preconference:**
--Full day conference
--1/2 on Positive Youth Development (PYD) and 1/2 on Teen Brain Development
--Status on Keynote: creators of Zits do not do public speaking; creators of On the Shelf may do OLA lunch; Chris Crutcher will be in-between Spokane and Austin and is interested in speaking. OYAN members excited about this idea.

**ACTION:** John will continue the negotiation with Chris Crutcher.

--Jerry Fest (contact from K’lyn) for youth development training and consulting--not answering e-mails right now; we’d like from him an overview of the youth development model and how libraries fit into it.

**ACTION:** continue to make contact with Jerry.

**ACTION:** Sue P. will check on Gail Hofnagle for brain development segment.
Also want to have a youth component such as YES, the Youth Empowerment Squad or p’ear, a homeless youth group.

Background on PYD: grew out of resiliency research with three learnings about kids and teens who are successful. They have--
--at least one meaningful relationship with some adult figure
--high expectations are set for them
--the opportunity to give back

Different models developed:
1. Assets (Search Institute) - what kids need to succeed and how community can provide it.
2. Youth Development (Linda Pittman) - philosophy and approach from the juvenile justice system; shifting how we look at young people; they are underutilized; they need opportunities to contribute; organizations like libraries should be using teens differently for example, to develop programs rather than just attend them.
3. Wallace Readers Digest funded the Urban Libraries Council projects for PYD.

ACTION: Ali and John will draft a thorough outline of the preconference, fill in the holes, and send out to the membership for review

Other ideas:
Urban Libraries Council panelist
MCL Teen Action Team describe recent activities
Include actual examples of PYD projects

5. New Business
Mock Printz workshop
--being planned by Ruth Allen
--January 8, US Bank Room at Central Library
--Free of charge except for donations for snacks
--Send book recommendations to Ruth Allen

There’s also a Mock Caldecott workshop that same day at Corvallis-Benton County Library; this was not being viewed as a conflict for OYAN.

Discussion of raising funds for OYAN, and marketing the division, the scholarships, the newsletter, etc.

ACTION: Christine will check whether OYAN can set a member and non-member rate for attendance at the preconference.

ACTION: Susan and Lee will work on an OYAN brochure or bookmark. Various members offered to distribute and promote OYAN, e.g. target library school students.
6. The Dahlgreen Report
Oregon Book Awards
   --two finalists for young adult literature prize: Cuba 15 by Nancy Osa and
   Deep by Susan Vance. Lemony Snicket is the judge.
   --Award ceremony is November 18 at Scottish Rite Temple. Tickets are $25.

Letters About Literature
   --Mailing has gone out about this annual contest.

National Book Festival
   --Oregon again participating in Washington, DC

Pacific NW Library Association Conference
   --in Sitka in 2005. Very affordable to travel there if tickets purchased soon.

OSLIS (Oregon School Library Information System)
   --State Library is using LSTA funds with some Department of Education
   funds to pay for school library access to EBSCO and The Oregonian. Students will
   have remote access through their school library’s password.

Gates Train the Trainer Workshop
   --Opportunity to be one of 7 library staff trained in Seattle by the Gates
   Foundation
   --consider being trained to train others in Oregon about public access
   computing.

6. Quarterly Business
OYAN Newsletter
   --signup sheet passed around; deadline is January 7

Next Meeting
   --January 28 at the State Library; also an OLA Exec. Bd.
   meeting that day
   --the day before is centennial of State Library and Legislative Day; come for
   both

Spring Meeting
   --April 29, Jackson County Library h.q. in Medford

Summer Meeting
   --July date to be decided; in Bend

7. Book Rave Nominations
Draft list handed out. Discussion of some of the titles including additions to the list.
(List subsequently sent out on listserv.)
Criteria grew out of book discussions at OYAN meetings; the rave books are the most recommended books by OYAN; published in last 2 years.

**ACTION:** John combine the list with OEMA booktalk list; ask for more nominations; vote in January.

**Report from OEMA Booktalking Session**
--Mark, Sue, Lee, and _____ participated
--40 - 60 in attendance on a Saturday
--next year is in Redmond

7. Bibliographies and Programs to Share

No Laughter Here by Rita Williams-Garcia
Question from Eugene PL about where libraries are cataloging this title which is about 5th grade girls and female genital mutilation. Book by a Coretta Scott King award-winning author. EPL recommends the book but is grappling with its placement. It’s in YA at Multnomah Cty. Library.

Jackson County Library for Teen Read Week will be distributing a “survey”--“What Kind of Reader Are You?” -- that was developed by John.

Concerns from the field:
Young adult literature needs a way to be searched in catalogs via a standardized search term.

**ACTION:** John will check with YALSA about whether they’ve done any work on this.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Ginnane
Secretary