

**Minutes: OYAN Quarterly Meeting, July 21, 2009**  
Hood River Public Library

**INTRODUCTIONS**

**Attendees:** Carol Reich (Hillsboro), Aimee Meuchel (Tualatin), Susan Smallsreed (Multnomah), Ruth Allen (Multnomah), Kristin Starnes (Corvallis-Benton), Kris Lutsock (McMinneville), Heidi Weisel (Corvallis), Dan White (Salem), K'Lyn Hann (Newberg), Rick Samuelson (WCCLS), Lisa Elliott (Tigard), Katie Anderson (State Library), Curtis Keifer (Corvallis-Benton), Sally Moen (Corvallis-Benton), Jayne Guidinger (Hood River)

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Review/approve minutes** Heidi moved to approve the minutes and Lisa seconded the motion.

**Review OYAN/OLA Financial Report** Kristin shared the OYAN financial report. Please find attached.

**CONTINUING BUSINESS**

**OYAN Elections (Kristin)** The OYAN elections have happened. Here are the new(ish) officers:

Co-chairs: K'Lyn Hann and Susan Smallsreed

Vice-chair: Kris Lutsock

Secretary: Ruth Allen

Newsletter editor: Lisa Elliott

Website editor: Robin Fosdick

Collaborative Summer Reading Program representative: Heidi Weisel

**OLA Board Report (Kristin)**

- The OLA Quarterly may be going to online only. Details about who will have access are still being hashed out.
- The State Library funds are much better than anticipated.
- A school library bill (HB 2586) was sponsored by State Representative Peter Buckley. The idea was introduced and promoted by Nancy Sullivan, a high school librarian from Portland. It's success was in part due to the fact that it isn't a funding bill. It adds school libraries to an existing grant for school improvement. It also adds school libraries to the requirements in the school's continuous improvement plan. All schools must have a goal of having a strong school library program. Continuous Improvement plans are required by law for schools.
- There are two OLA sponsored PLA preconferences. One is on videogames and the other is on graphic novels. OYAN members Sara Ryan and Traci Glass have been pivotal in organizing the graphic novel preconference. The OASL fall conference is also having a Get Graphic theme.
- The OLA 2011 conference will be in Salem, and the 2012 conference will be in Bend. There will be some type of OLA function in 2010 in Portland during the week of PLA in order to have a membership meeting and present awards.
- OLA has lost the services of the McCullys. The board recommended pursuing a contract with the current treasurer, Shirley Roberts. Several board members also looked into the cost and benefits of a variety of organizational management systems (offering nonprofit financial/business management services).
- The OLA Board passed a resolution honoring Judith Krug for her excellence in championing intellectual freedom.

**State Library Report (Katie)**

**Letters about Literature** LAL 2009-10 starts on August 1<sup>st</sup>. The guidelines, entry forms and poster for the next LAL are up at [lettersaboutliterature.org](http://lettersaboutliterature.org). This past year Oregon submitted about 1200 entries and one in eleven children won a prize! Target and the Library of Congress did promotion for the program last year, but will no longer be doing this in order to keep the prizes at the same level as last year. They have provided graphics that libraries can use to promote the program. These graphics will be available on the Oregon State Library's website by October. If you would like to be a judge, send Katie Anderson an email at [katie.anderson@state.or.us](mailto:katie.anderson@state.or.us) and let her know which age groups you work with and would be qualified to judge. The judging meeting will most likely happen between February 24<sup>th</sup> and March 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Ready to Read** The Ready to Read funds were only reduced by 5% which is a relief, as that figure is quite a bit less than originally expected.

**Banned Books Week** BBW is coming up in the last week of September and the first week of October. The "I read banned books" buttons will be available. Candace Morgan will be sending out information soon, so check the Oregon Intellectual Freedom Committee's website at <http://www.olaweb.org/mc/page.do?sitePagelId=61020>. The Oregon ACLU in partnership with OASL received a Sirsi award this year. Evaluations about Banned Books Week helped Candace win the award, so please fill them out again by going to the OIFC website! The Oregon ACLU has a youth group that will be putting on a program during BBW. In other IF news, the OIFC report for 2008-09 is underway. Reports of challenges are due by August 1<sup>st</sup> if you want them included in the report.

**Vision 2020 (Aimee)** There will be a big meeting at the end of August to synthesize all of the data. The committee has twelve members of which Aimee is the youth and small town representative.

**Cooperative Summer Library Program (Heidi)** Heidi passed around the Make Waves logo and clip art for the 2010 program. The committee will be meeting on August 12 to discuss feedback on the 2009 art and manual and discuss the 2011 program. The overall theme for 2011 is World Culture and Travel, and the more specific teen theme is "You Are Here". You may request a manual that is just on CD or on CD and in print. Send any ideas for the 2011 manual and incentives to Heidi a [heidi.weisel@ci.corvallis.or.us](mailto:heidi.weisel@ci.corvallis.or.us). The 2012 overall theme is Night.

**Book Rave 2010 (Kris)** Kris is coordinating the 2010 Book Rave so please send nominations to him at [kris.lutsock@ci.mcminneville.or.us](mailto:kris.lutsock@ci.mcminneville.or.us). Please remember that the publication date for the 2010 list is from November 1, 2008 to November 1, 2009. Kris will email the BR committee members who will begin putting together some more formal criteria and procedures for the BR. Kristin will be added to the committee that consists of Kris, Ruth, Susan, Heidi, Aimee and Sue. Several other OYAN members indicated in the past that they would be interested in working on a new list of 10 manga and graphic novel titles to be added to the BR, so they should be informed too (Mark Richardson, Ian Duncanson).

**Men of OYAN calendar** Rick is willing to work on this. Because of the timeline, we thought that a 2010-11 fiscal year calendar might work best. **ACTION:** Rick and Kris will put together a proposal to present at the October OYAN meeting.

#### **RESOURCE SHARING (all)**

**Tualatin PL (Aimee)** The trading card program was cancelled due to low sign-ups (1). The record bowls and felted food programs, however, had 13 participants each. Aimee showed some samples of the very cool felted sushi craft that her animanga club will be doing later this year. The artist who presented the felted food program is LeBrie Rich of PenFelt. Her website with contact information is <http://penfelt.com/contact.html>. An upcoming craft program will be fimo keychains. The Teen Extravaganza program was great fun with games and grilled food.

**Tigard PL (Lisa)** The Bollywood Dance Workshop was fantastic, even though just girls showed up. The teacher showed a video and choreographed some dances. The weekly art lab in the YA room has gone really well. Lisa alternates a specific project with more general art labs. One of the labs was making magnetic poetry. Lisa is working on an arts journal compilation from teen submissions. Derek Kirk Kim, who wrote *The Eternal Smile* with Gene Luen Yang, visited Tigard. He read from three of his books, accompanied by slides of the art work. He also allowed folks to look at portfolios of the original art from *The Eternal Smile*, and he spoke about his process as an author/artist. If you are interested in having Derek come to your library, the contact at First Second is Gina Gagliano ([Gina.Gagliano@firstsecondbooks.com](mailto:Gina.Gagliano@firstsecondbooks.com)). Tigard also hosted a sidewalk art contest/graffiti program where teens spray painted wood panels. Lisa is planning a Zombie Party for this fall.

#### **Hillsboro PL (Carol)**

Summer reading sign-ups are up 33% at the Main library. They are up 19% at the branch. The game continues to use different color tickets for different activities. There have been a number of programs happening, some of which were more popular than others. The Bollywood Teen Night was attended by twelve people, most of whom were adults. The Last Day of School Celebration featured a showing of the movie *Camp Rock* with activities including beaded rustic necklaces and bracelets, plus karaoke. Fourteen teens attended. The June Mamma Mia sing-along was a hit with thirty-three attendees of all ages. The first twenty-five people received a bag of props to wave during the movie, for example, light sticks for *Super Trouper* and packets of KFC honey for *Honey Honey*. Activities included a cheesy wedding reception, an ABBA costume contest and a raffle for the DVD. Other summer programs at Hillsboro are an Afternoon Tea with Jane Austen (showing the movie *Emma*), a Teen Anime Club (showing the movie *Howl's Moving Castle*), and an All Ages Anime (showing the movie *Spirited Away*).

**Newberg PL (K'Lyn)** Newberg is continuing its monthly programs over the summer with enhancements. There will be a marble magnets program and the annual water party with water balloons and a slip and slide competition. Newberg is averaging about twenty people per program.

**McMinneville PL (Kris)** Summer reading sign-ups are up 20%. Kris attributes this, in part, to the I-Pod prize. McMinneville is doing a "prizes for pages" in which teens read 2000 pages and receive a prize. There will also be a book cover art contest this summer.

**Salem PL (Dan)** Three thousand people signed up in a week for summer reading at Salem! Featured programs this summer: air guitar (teens decorated card stock guitars from Oriental Trading Company with markers and stickers), book covers made from paper bags, and magnetic poetry/poetry slam. Dan has started a Teen Advisory Board. Four people attended the first meeting and nine attended the second. Salem will be hosting a Wii party this fall for the board.

**Hood River (Jayne)** There are programs for kids this summer, but no programs for teens. Storytimes continue to be successful, and there is a Creative Club and an Open Art Studio. While there have been big cuts to the Hood River PL (30% cut at the library with a 20% staffing cut and big cuts to the book budget), the Friends fund summer reading so that hasn't been cut.

**Multnomah County Library (Susan and Ruth)** MCL's Teen Action Team is looking at creating a next level of teen councils, that is, they are thinking of creating a systemwide teen council made up of members from the branch teen councils. MCL currently has nine teen councils. The Guys Read Clubs for upper elementary and middle school boys have had mixed success. There have not been very many attendees, but those who have showed up have generally enjoyed them. Take a look at the Guys Read website for more information:  
<http://www.multcolib.org/events/guysread/>

**Corvallis PL (Kristin, Heidi, Curtis)** The usage numbers at Corvallis are all up this year and there is a 3% increase in the book budget. Teen programs this summer are a continuation of the regular year programs: gaming and manga. There is also a rock climbing program at Oregon State University. There were requests for some type of teen-specific reading program so one was created. This summer teens can read fifteen items and then pick out a free paperback. The teen all-nighter was happening the day after OYAN: fifty teens are signed up with about thirty on the waiting list. It will last from 7:00 p.m. Saturday until 7:00 a.m. Sunday with volunteers and staff working in shifts. Ten adults are scheduled during each shift. There will be gaming, movies, scary makeup, a scavenger hunt, crafts and pizza. Because of many requests for how they do it, Corvallis will be putting together a manual for how to host a library sleep-over.

**WCCLS (Rick)** Small libraries in Washington County have had record numbers of summer reading sign-ups. Rick is looking into getting more teen programming and other support into the smaller libraries, including perhaps buying some gaming equipment that will be stored centrally and getting some additional staffing. (Note: at Newberg PL, teens bring their own gaming equipment to the library for programs.) The Oregon Children's Theater is doing a karaoke workshop for teens this summer. The Youth Action Committee of Washington County might get involved.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Plans for 2010** (Susan?) Susan (?) thought we should do some planning and goal setting for 2010 with an eye toward what would be useful to libraries regarding teens. Are there trainings that we/others could provide? If you have ideas, let Susan know.

**Continuing Education** OYAN would like to add a continuing education piece to the meeting at least once a year. We discussed whether this would replace the meeting or whether we would have a longer meeting. Would October be the best meeting to do this, and should it be the same meeting each year? For this year, the October OYAN meeting will include a morning piece on booktalking. The booktalking training will happen from 10-12:00 followed by the OYAN fall meeting from 1:00-4:00 on Friday, October 16<sup>th</sup>. These will take place at Multnomah County Library's Central Library. The training will be free and open to anyone who wants to attend (with OYAN members receiving priority if necessary). OYAN will provide snacks for the morning training (eg. Coffee, tea and muffins). **ACTION:** Susan will finalize the training details with Cathy Schneider. Ruth will arrange for the morning snacks.

**Upcoming meeting locations** Kristin and Ruth will work on finalizing the location for the April 2010 OYAN meeting. We are planning on having it somewhere at the coast and the four locations suggested were Newport,

Lincoln City, Florence and Seaside. **ACTION:** Ruth will check with Newport to see if the meeting space is available. Kristin will check with the other locations.

**Letters about Literature support** Susan moved to support Letters about Literature with \$200.00 this year. Aimee seconded the motion.

**OYAN Website** We discussed reformatting the newsletter on the website to make it more interactive and useful. We discussed also adding teen content to the website. Lisa and Robin will discuss options.

**Upcoming OYAN Meetings**

October 16, 2009      Central Library, Multnomah County Library  
                                 \*booktalk training: 10:00-12:00 \*meeting: 1:00-4:00  
January 29, 2010      McMinnville PL  
April 23, 2010        location TBA  
July 23, 2010         Deschutes PL, Bend

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Allen, Secretary