

OYAN Spring Meeting Minutes  
April 28, 2006

Attendees: Kris Lutsock, McMinnville PL; Curtis Kiefer and Heidi Weisel, Corvallis-Benton Co. PL; Garnetta Wilker, Oregon Trail SD; K'Lyn Hann, Newberg PL; Susan Ludington (SusanL) and April Witteveen, Deschutes PL; Sue Plaisance and Carol Reich, Hillsboro PL; Kim Wolfe and Anne Guevara, Jackson Co. PL; Christian Stevens Emporia State Univ.; Lee Catalano, Sara Ryan, and Susan Smallsreed (Susansm), Multnomah Co. Library

Introductions

As of April 5<sup>th</sup>, OYAN membership is up to 82. This does not include members added during OLA. Yee Haw!

Old Business

- 1) Meeting minutes: following several slight corrections, April motioned to accept the Winter meeting minutes. Lee seconded and they were approved.
- 2) The latest official financial report gives OYAN a balance of **\$7,485.55**. A balance including new members and income/expenses from the raffle is estimated as \$8,378. SusanL will share the updated report when received.

New Business

- 1) OLA Youth Services Guidelines: Curtis asked for input on the upcoming revision of the YS Guidelines. He prefaced his remarks by telling us that the revision committee had already agreed upon an updated definition of "youth." This will now refer to "babies, children and teens" in order to highlight the differences between these developmental levels. The group then reviewed the guidelines and offered ideas for revision.
- 2) "On the Road" workshop: Anne Guevara reported on the presentation that she and John Sexton made at the North Bend PL for youth librarians in the Coos & Curry county area. Even with short notice, the workshop was attended by 8 people from 6 different coastal communities. Feedback indicated that the attendees appreciated the opportunity to network and the information about adolescent brain research. Anne made the recommendation that future workshop publicity should be handled by OYAN. Anne submitted a request for reimbursement of \$97 in gas + \$12/hour in honorarium.

The success of this workshop led to further discussion of future workshops. A committee was formed of Sara Ryan, Anne & John to revise the curriculum in preparation of taking it to other parts of the state. It was also decided that these expenses would be included in the final budget.

- 3) Teen Read Week 2006: Sara Ryan reported that this years theme is "Get Active @ Your Library" which could be presented as physical, political, philanthropic, volunteerism, activism, being outdoors, doing crafts, and engaging in literary activities.

Sara also shared that Jaqueline Woodson will be the Multnomah Co. Library Teen Author Lecturer this October.

Sara also shared that due to the upcoming levy, MCL will not be offering a fine reduction program this year. She asked for ideas of other types of incentives that could be offered. The group suggested the following:

- Dance, Dance Revolution Tournament
  - Rock climbing on a portable rock wall
  - Nutrition
  - Geo caching
  - Gym membership or pass
  - Yoga classes
  - Drawing for a prize such as a graphic novel
  - Walk for literacy
  - Video gaming tournament
- 4) OYAN officer nominations: SusanL asked for suggestions for people to approach to assume leadership positions next year. Sara Ryan offered to take on the Web Editor position and Susansm offered to stay on as Secretary. This leaves two positions still open: Vice-Chair/Chair Elect and Newsletter Editor. SusanL and April will work on nominations to present at the July meeting.
- 5) OYAN membership benefits: The group discussed whether to limit access to the current issue of the newsletter to members only by not posting it to the web. After some discussion, it was decided that it was more useful as a member recruitment tool than as a benefit. However, it was also decided that we needed to more clearly define our membership process. Lee volunteered to work on this. Under consideration:
- a) Define member benefits
  - b) Outline a recruitment strategy
  - c) Develop a membership drive
  - d) Revise forms and marketing materials to reflect the benefits of membership.

Garnetta reported that the OEMA membership form only has OLA membership on it. If an OEMA member wants to join a sub-division of OLA, such as OYAN, they have to print out a separate membership forms, write separate checks, and basically go to a lot of extra work. This is a problem the joint OLA/OEMA committee needs to pursue. Carol offered to bring the problem to one of her staff who is on that committee.

### Continuing Business

- 1) OLA Board report: SusanL shared two items of importance
- Two LSTA grant proposals have been submitted. One will create an OLA scholarships program for students at local library schools (UW & Emporia). The other was developed by the Resources Sharing Roundtable and would pay 1-year memberships for 10 additional library systems, to be added to the statewide courier already in existence (which currently serves 251 libraries).

- 2) OSL Report: MaryKay sent word that they are interviewing three candidates today and Monday for the Youth Services Consultant position. She also sent her thanks for OYAN's support of the Letters to Literature program.
- 3) OLA conference report: SusanL shared attendance figures for the OYAN sponsored sessions. These are:
  - a) Book Rave = 70
  - b) Graphic Novels = 45
  - c) Cross-over books = 47
  - d) Teen Spaces = 38
  - e) Rev up and Review = 33
  - f) Reaching Online = 32
  - g) Teen games = 25
  - h) Library Links = 17

She also offered the following comments:

- Overall: Reduce the number of OYAN sponsored workshops to no more than six.
  - Book Talk session:
    - May a good idea to host a booktalk training.
    - Look at the format of the booktalk session to vary it more – maybe alternate talkers, intersperse with blurbs.
    - Provide age levels for the books that are presented.
  - Graphic Novels: explain terms a bit more
- 4) Raffle Report – April emailed the report to the membership. It is estimated we grossed \$1900. Carol reported that many people wanted to purchase using credit cards. Perhaps OYAN should look into establishing a PayPal account for next year?
  - 5) Budget - SusanL submitted a preliminary budget. Since this is the first year of a budget, it will be considered a baseline. A final budget will be submitted at the next membership meeting for approval.

**OYAN BUDGET  
FY 05/06**

**Starting Balance** **\$ 8,306.11**

<u>Income</u>	<b>Proposed</b>	<b>Actual</b>
Membership dues	600.00	370.00
Raffle	1,000.00	1,910.00
Pre-conference	0	0
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$1,600.00</b>	<b>\$2,280.00</b>

<u>Expenses</u>	<b>Proposed</b>	<b>Actual</b>
Scholarship funds	\$1,000.00	\$650.00
Raffle	200.00	201.56
OLA Pre-Conference	0	0
OLA Conference	200.00	702.49
OYEA Award	0	0

Book Rave	200.00	112.85
Mock Printz	150.00	0
CSLP Annual Meeting	500.00	0
OLA/OEMA Joint Literacy Conference	250.00	250.00
Letters About Literature	200.00	200.00
OYAN On the Road	1,000.00	359.19

<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$3,700.00</b>	<b>\$2,476.09</b>
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<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>(\$2,100.00)</b>	<b>(\$196.09)</b>
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<b>Ending Balance</b>		<b>\$8,110.02</b>
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- 6) OYAN Scholarships – a proposed application form was submitted for review. Several changes were suggested. The form will be posted on the OYAN website.
- 7) OYEA! Award – Award committee chair, Heidi Weisel submitted a draft proposal for the OYEA! Award. The members were asked for final input and chose OYAN’S You’re Excellent! Award as the title. A number of changes were suggested. Heidi and committee members will finalize the proposal and present for approval at the July membership meeting.

Quarterly Business

The next meeting will be held on Friday, July 21<sup>st</sup> at Sue Plaisance’s Devil’s Lake home. She will send directions at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan J. Smallsreed, Secretary