# **NJLA Young Adult Meeting**

#### Friday February 23<sup>rd</sup>. 2018

# 10:00-10:15, coffee & networking

# 10:15am Business Meeting

**Hosting Library: South Brunswick Public Library** 

#### 2017-2018 Executive Board:

Rosy Wagner, President / Teen Librarian at Burlington County Library System
Keisha M. Miller, Vice President/ Teen Librarian & Volunteer Coordinator at South Orange Public Library
Jes Schneider, Secretary/ Teen Librarian at East Brunswick Public Library
Kristen Churchill, Member-at-large/ Teen Librarian at West Orange Public Library
Maureen Langley, Member-at-large/ Teen Librarian at Franklin Township Public Library

Instagram: @YASSNJLA

# Attendants:

Maureen Langley

Keisha Miller

Rosy Wagner

Kristen Churchill

Katie Salerno

Jamie Dunn

Theresa Foster

Emily Mazzoni

Natalie Peitsinovski

Stephanie Smith

**Sharon Rawlins** 

Karen Jarzabski

Megan Dehmelt

Saleena Davidson

Carolyn Aversano

Sandi Cronce

Dana Vocht

Kristen Crepezzi

Sue Grotyohana

Jen Apgar

# **Virtual Attendants:**

Jes Schneider Jen Schureman Paige Briglia

**Total in attendance: 22** 

#### Meeting called to order at 10:09am

#### Ongoing Business (moved up in agenda)

#### NJLA Conference May 30th to June 1st

- 6 programs have been accepted handouts listing these programs and their descriptions provided by Keisha
- All of our programs will take place on Thursday May 31<sup>st</sup> and Friday June 1<sup>st</sup>
- Waiting for confirmation from author Dhonielle Clayton
  - All other presenters confirmed as of now
- Recommended that programs not accepted this year should be submitted for other
   NJLA events such as poster sessions or YS Forum
- Poster session deadline is March 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Garden State Awards Luncheon Friday June 1<sup>st</sup>
- Registration for conference is now open and early bird registration deadline is May 1<sup>st</sup>
- Contact Keisha with any questions or concerns

#### **YASS Section Business**

- March 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting cancelled
- April 20<sup>th</sup> meeting moved to Bridgewater Library (thank you Katie)
  - o Will be potluck and GSTBA Nonfiction deliberations

#### Vote for changes to YASS board and procedures

- Need for these potential changes stemmed from previous discussion concerning decreasing participation in GSTBA voting and desire to better support members
- Informed by Jen Schureman that vote must include exact language and documents must be sent out 30 days prior
  - Voting will therefore be postponed until April 20<sup>th</sup> meeting
- o Discussion of adding Social Media Manager Position
  - Description of position PR duties for section including promotion of section news and initiatives on all social media platforms
  - Need to determine frequency of postings
  - Social Media Committee established to help determine section's social media needs, useful tools, etc.
    - First committee members will be on volunteer basis
    - Rosy will send email concerning volunteering
- Discussion of changed term length of Member-at-large
  - Changes considered to maintain consistency for the GSTBA
  - 2 year term considered
  - Only voting for 1 member-at-large each year to create/encourage 2 year term
  - Would member-at-large naturally stay for 2 years?
  - Add term limit of 2 years for positions?
- Consider including language concerning virtual voting in the by-laws deemed unnecessary
- 2 meetings a year added to by-laws
- o GSTBA meetings removed GSTBA can be done without official meeting
- o Rosy will send out updated documents as soon as completed

#### Ballot for 2018-2019 YASS Election

- o Ballot handout provided by YASS President
- Official voting will occur in early March

#### **Updates from around the state:**

#### Children's services section (CSS)

- Virtual meeting to take place 2/23/2018 @ 3pm
- Discussion as last meeting included:
  - Accepted conference proposals
  - Announcement of Garden State Awards Luncheon author/speaker
- GSCBA winners announced
- Section is currently working on awards blurbs and promotion

#### NJ State Library

- Teen video challenge due date February 26<sup>th</sup>
- Reminder of the survey sent out concerning future CSLP themes
- YS Forums will begin planning in March
  - Sandy Cronce has volunteered to assist as project manager
- o Sharon Rawlins has provided handouts and information from Mental Health NJ
- For more information, the NJ State Library section after Member Updates for Sharon's report.

## NJ State Library Talking Book and Braille Center

No updates

#### NJLA Executive Board

- Decline in NJLA Membership reported
- o 37 exhibitors for conference this year
- Planning an ILMS funding initiative
- Net Neutrality law passed in NJ
- The Board welcomes any input for strategic plan and task force
- o For more details, Executive board minutes available online at NJLA.org

#### Library Link NJ

- Delivery
  - Updated statement on delivery (handily formatted in PDF for your printing & sharing needs)
  - New RFP is out & the process will wrap up with the new contract awarded by March 30
- Continuing Education
  - Happening right now: Project Management & Facilitation Skills workshops
  - Registration is open for: Super Library Supervisor lottery
  - Coming up:
    - April 17: Seasonal Networking Mixer at Parsippany-Troy Hills PL
    - April 26: Readers' Advisory Genre-tastic webinar w/Robin Bradford & Stephanie Anderson
    - May 8: Tech Trends You Need To Know webinar w/Bohyun Kim
- We're starting to plan for FY19! Our fiscal year starts on July 1, and we're going to be planning learning opportunities tied to our new Strategic Plan.

 Sophie says she is always happy to hear ideas, possibilities, and suggestions from colleagues. Give her a buzz at 732.943.6109 or drop me a line anytime.

#### **Ongoing Business**

#### **Garden State Teen Book Awards**

- Thank you to everyone who filled out the Google form concerning the potential GSTBA promotional kit
- MAL and other board members working to update website information and fix dead or outdated links
- GSTBA winners announced on Instagram and Twitter
  - o Response on Twitter from Juno Dawson and Pam Muńoz Ryan
- Rosy contacted the winners and all 3 will be sending thank you videos for the luncheon
- Ballot info for 6-8 and 9-12 grade fiction forthcoming including runners up lists
- NF deliberation now at April 20th meeting

# **Member Updates**

No updates

#### **GSTBA 9th-12th Grade Deliberation Results:**

| Midnight at the Electric                  | Anderson, Jodi Lynn |
|---|---------------------|
| Crossing Ebenezer Creek                   | Bolden, Tonya       |
| Georgia Peaches and Other Forbidden Fruit | Brown, Jaye Robin   |
| Allegedly                                 | Jackson, Tiffany D. |
| Exit, Pursued by a Bear.                  | Johnston, E. K.     |
| Still Life with Tornado                   | King, A. S.         |
| Gentleman's Guide to Vice and Virtue, The | Lee, Mackenzi       |
| Character Driven                          | Lubar, David        |
| Female of the Species, The                | McGinnis, Mindy     |
| Burn Baby Burn                            | Medina, Meg         |
| All We Have Left                          | Mills, Wendy        |
| Nemesis                                   | Reichs, Brendan     |
| Long Way Down                             | Reynolds, Jason     |
| List of Cages, A                          | Roe, Robin          |
| Salt to the Sea                           | Sepetys, Ruta       |
| Scythe                                    | Shusterman, Neal    |
| Hate You Give, The                        | Thomas, Angie       |
| American Girls                            | Umminger, Alison    |
|   |                     |

| Highly Illogical Behavior | Whaley, John Corey |
|---------------------------|--------------------|
| Sun Is Also a Star, The   | Yoon, Nicola       |
| Serpent King, The         | Zentner, Jeff      |

# Meeting adjourned



# NJSL Report for YASS Executive Board Meeting, February 23, 2018

Submitted by Sharon Rawlins, Youth Services Specialist for Lifelong Learning, NJ State Library

# 2018 Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP) Teen Video Challenge! – Deadline to submit the application is Feb. 28, 2018

NJ teens are invited to create a 30-90 second video with their unique interpretation of the 2018 Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP) slogan for 2018 – *Libraries Rock!* Teens are encouraged by teen librarians to be a part of the summer reading process before and during the summer months by creating these videos that highlight summer reading in libraries. This is an opportunity for teens to display their creativity and have their ideas heard before a national audience.

Each CSLP member state, of which NJ is one, along with all other US states, the District of Columbia, American Samoa, Bermuda, Cayman Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Guam, and the Mariana Islands, that chooses to participate in the 2018 Teen Video Challenge (TVC) will organize and implement their own competition to arrive at the winner. New Jersey's statewide summer reading committee will judge the winning entry from any entries that are sent by NJ teens. The winning video from each participating state, island and territory will be named as one of the CSLP 2018 Teen Videos to promote summer reading nationwide and posted on its website.

The teen(s) who create the winning video will receive a cash prize of \$100 (to be divided among the number of teens who create the video). Their public library will also receive a gift certificate for \$50 from Upstart/Demco to purchase their incentives. The winners from each state will be announced by CSLP in April 2018.

The CSLP 2018 Teen Video Challenge (TVC) <a href="entry form">entry form</a> for NJ can be found here as well as <a href="the model release form">the cSLP website</a>. Interested teens must go through their local public library's teen librarian to submit their entry. Collaboration between teens in school and public libraries to create the video is encouraged, although the video must be submitted with the teen public librarian's approval.

If you have any questions, please contact Sharon Rawlins, Youth Services Specialist, <a href="mailto:srawlins@njstatelib.org">srawlins@njstatelib.org</a>, 609-278-2640 ext. 116.

# Suggestions for 2021 Theme for Statewide Summer Reading Program

Thank you to all who voted to narrow down the themes from all over the country that were suggested for the 2021 CSLP Summer Reading Program. It will be one theme for all ages for 2021. Salina Yoon (<a href="http://salinayoon.com">http://salinayoon.com</a>) has been selected as our artist for 2021. Her works include *Duck, Duck, Porcupine!*, *Be a Friend, Found, Opposnakes, Kaleidoscope*, and the *Penguin* series. NJ can only submit 3 suggestions from this list that will be narrowed down and voted on by all the State Representatives at the Annual Meeting in April. I have compiled the responses I received as of Feb. 22. The top vote goes to theme #4: Change the World/Social Justice/Unity/Kindness/Inclusion/Change/Diversity/Equity/Make a Difference/Embrace Different Culture. The next 2 votes are a tie – for theme #2: Art/Visual Arts/Theater/Creativity/Imagination/DIY/Maker and theme #6: Food/Cooking and Culture. The next highest votes were for theme #1: Animals (zoo/farm/pets/nature/exotic/habitats/wildlife/safari) and theme #3: Ecology/Environment/Nature/Outdoors/Jungle/Environmental Awareness and Conservation. All theme suggestions got at least two votes. I'll let you know what the ultimate winner is in April!

# **Statewide Summer Reading Program**

Chipotle coupons available again for the 2018 Summer Reading Program. Interested libraries must fill out the online application found here www.chipotle.com/reading by February 28<sup>th</sup>.

#### Statewide Summer Reading Workshops-Registration Open

The Summer Reading Committee is heading out across the state to help you prepare for your best summer ever.

The workshop dates are:

- Monday, March 12<sup>th</sup> at the Wayne Public Library
- Friday, March 16<sup>th</sup> at the Mullica Hill Branch of the Gloucester County Library System
- Monday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at the Franklin Township Public Library in Somerset
- Monday, March 26<sup>th</sup> at the Monroe Township Public Library

Each workshop runs from 9:30am-2:00pm and is full of inspiring ideas for all ages presented by our committee members.

#### CSLP – 2018 Summer Reading Manuals – Reminder: all libraries are only getting online access

All public libraries should have received a packet through the statewide delivery system in late October or early November that contained a cover letter explaining that they would only get the 2018 summer reading manual online for next year. The packet also contained printed instructions for accessing the online manual, a printed Upstart incentives catalog, and a flyer from Scholastic with discounted book titles for 2018's summer reading program. The packet's label was addressed to "Summer Reading Coordinators." Please check that you received it. CSLP has created a helpful YouTube video <a href="https://youtu.be/9y\_o1DAvCEk">https://youtu.be/9y\_o1DAvCEk</a> on accessing the online manual, which has improved its searchability for the 2018 manual.

# Other Organizations & Events:

# **Share This With Your Library Directors:**

For Director's Ears Only: 10 Secret Tips To Support Youth Services – Free Webinar on February 27<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm (EST)

Marge Loch-Wouters ('76) is a consultant and educator who brings to her work over 40 years of experience as a public library and library system youth librarian, manager and listener.

Great youth services happen in libraries where staff and community recognize the importance of supporting youth and their literacy, learning and discovery needs. Youth library staffers often have strong thoughts about what would help them be more effective advocates for youth and youth library services but may not be able to articulate them or need support to make them happen. Join a seasoned youth librarian and consultant to explore ten different ways you can support your youth services and create an even more powerful place in your community's heart!

The University of Wisconsin is offering this free webinar. Go to <a href="https://ischool.wisc.edu/continuing-education/free-webinars/">https://ischool.wisc.edu/continuing-education/free-webinars/</a> for more information and to register.

# YALSA's Free Competencies Webinars in 2018 (Worth Sharing Again)

YALSA will host **free** live monthly webinars beginning in March 2018. Each one will be facilitated by knowledgeable youth development experts and library staff and focus on a different competency in YALSA's brand new Teen Services Competencies for Library Staff.

All free webinars will be held from 2:00 - 3:00pm, eastern, the second Thursday of the month. These webinars are free and open to any interested individual, regardless of job or membership status.

Webinar recordings will be available for those who cannot participate in the live session. Reserve your free seat for the webinars you are interested in attending by selecting the link in the table below. (**Note**: each webinar will be capped at 100 participants in order to guarantee a high-quality learning experience.)

# Topic & Activity Schedule Information about speakers and focus will be available in early 2018

| Competency                    | Webinar<br>Date<br>(2PM<br>Eastern) | Twitter Chat Date (7PM Eastern) #yalsace |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| Teen Growth and Development   | March 8                             | March 22                                 |
| Interactions with Teens       | April 12                            | April 26                                 |
| Learning<br>Environments      | May 10                              | May 24                                   |
| Learning Experiences          | June 14                             | June 28                                  |
| Youth Engagement & Leadership | July 12                             | July 26                                  |

| Community & Family Engagement        | August 9        | August 23       |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Cultural Competence & Responsiveness | September<br>13 | September<br>27 |
| Equity of Access                     | October 11      | October 25      |
| Outcomes &<br>Assessment             | November<br>8   | November<br>20  |
| Continuous Learning                  | December<br>13  | December<br>27  |
|                                      |                 |                 |