YALS Meeting- virtual on GoToMeeting
May 25, 2023 10am

1. Call to order
   a. Maryjo called to order at 10:02

2. Attendance

3. Location & Date of next meeting
   a. August 24 10am Location: TBD and on GoToMeeting

4. Approval of March minutes
   a. MaryJo motions to accept March minutes.
   b. Jenny seconded the motion.
   c. Motion passed.

5. President's Report- Maryjo Siergiej
   a. NHLA Meeting will be attended June 13 by either Nicole or MaryJo
   b. Attended last meeting and submitted our report to NHLA
   c. Lobbyists spoke at the meeting and talked about bills pertaining to NH libraries.
      MaryJo will let us know if anything comes up at the next meeting.

6. Vice President's Report- MaryJo Siergiej for Nicole Gauvreau (absent)
   a. Conference update
      i. Location decided on Audubon in Concord, NH
      ii. Aiden Thomas keynote speaker
   b. More updates to be emailed

7. Secretary's Report- Nikki Rheame
   a. Nothing to report

8. Treasurer's Report- MaryJo Siergiej for Stacey Desrosiers (absent)
   • Current account balance: $6629.58
   • Deposits for March and April= $80.00 and attributed to dues
   • Interest earned = $ .12
This balance does not reflect expense payments in process to NHLA for Aiden Thomas (Keynote for the Fall Conference) or the rental fee for the Audubon (Fall Conference space).

9. **Media Report** - Ashlee Lykansion  
   a. Going through the website making notes on what needs updating and correction.  
   b. Created a draft of form that people can fill out with ideas and suggestions of programs for teens so we can create a list on the website  
      i. In place of the old programming list that got lost.  
      ii. [https://forms.gle/wp4EDFfNPuSZ12fd6](https://forms.gle/wp4EDFfNPuSZ12fd6)

10. **Past-President** - MaryJo Siergiej for Justine Fafarra (absent)  
    a. Update on binders- will be discussed next meeting

11. **State Library Report** - MaryJo Siergiej for Deborah Dutcher (absent)  
    a. Nothing to report

12. **Teen Reads Awards Committee Report** - Jenny Devost  
    a. Chandra from Exeter is possibly interested in taking over in September  
    b. What channels should she go through?  
       i. MaryJo will look into it and update it  
    c. Low signups for teen and librarian members  
       i. MaryJo suggested going to Justine  
       ii. Overwhelming consensus is that it’s a lot to take on  
       iii. Something to note: On the website for youth book awards, Jenny is the only person listed, so she has been contacted about Great Stone Face as well.

13. **Old Business**  
    a. **Strategic Plan Update** - Discuss Strategic plan updates  
       i. Per Julia, the final report for the Strategic Plan was presented at the YALS conference last year.  
       ii. Here are the findings:  
          [https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1h1eZ0ejrBGR-iKzHEPHsSIN1BGSITFKKozEowPYJEdl/edit#slide=id.g157b8be8434_0_134](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1h1eZ0ejrBGR-iKzHEPHsSIN1BGSITFKKozEowPYJEdl/edit#slide=id.g157b8be8434_0_134)  
       iii. The board should review the results and craft a plan for the future (need to pick a year range to focus on. Ex. 1-3 years or 5-10 years).  
          1. Will discuss at next meeting

14. **New Business**  
    a. Nothing to add

15. **Books/Programs to share**  
    a. Ashlee has a homeschool group that consistently attends programs and so she started a program during the school day specifically for them  
       i. homeschoolers hangout, do crafts and play games  
       ii. gives homeschool teens a chance to hang out with other teens that are homeschooled.  
    b. MaryJo is having a gaming night  
    c. MaryJo had a small star wars event for may the 4th  
       i. baby yoda origami craft- was well received
d. Lauren Collins has had success with Dungeons and Dragons at her library.
   i. Sessions run biweekly for 2 hours minimum
      1. 3 different groups of 4-5 kids.
   ii. Saturdays have been the best time to run sessions.

16. **Call to adjourn**
   a. Nikki called to adjourn at 10:30.
   b. Jenny seconded.