

# YALS Meeting- FALL CONFERENCE 2023! (In-Person and on Zoom- NH Audubon McLane Center, Concord) September 28, 2023

#### 1. Call to order

a. Maryjo called the meeting to order at 9:48am

#### 2. Attendance

a. Kim Baker- The Howe Library, Barb Ballou- Whipple Free Library, Jeff Beavers-Conway Public Library, Alice Bobroff- Manchester City Library, Patti Bogert-Inter-Lakes Middle High School, Krista Bordeleau- Pelham Public Library, Chandra Boudreau- Exeter Public Library, Moriah Churchill-Calkins- Richards Free Library, Lauren Collis, Katie Coppola- Mary E Bartlett Library, Stacey Desrosiers- Goffstown Public Library, Jenny Devost- Merrimack Public Library, Dori Eisentstat- Manchester City Library, Ceci Eliopoulos- Hollis Social Library, Christina Finemore- Maxfield Public Library, Nicole Gauvreau- Pease Public Library, Eleanor Green- Keene Public Library, Patrick Harrison- Rye Public Library, Lisa Houde- Rye Public Library, Cheryl Ingerson- Elkins Public Library, Hannah John, Rebecca Kasten- Concord Public Library, Ashlee Lykansion-Nashua Public Library, Dina Metvier- Merrimack Public Library, Molly Pevna-Nesmith Library, Nicole Rheaume- Lebanon Public Libraries, Meg Roby- Concord Public Library, Abbey Rosher- Pelham Public Library, Jessica Ryan- Rye Public Library, Maryjo Siergiej- Newmarket Public Library, Jeanne Snowdon- Wolfeboro Public Library, Ben Stinson, Aaron Cutler Memorial Library, Yahira Vallario- Derry Public Library.

## 3. Location & Date of next meeting-

a. November 16th at 10am - Zoom (link will be emailed)

### 4. Approval of August minutes

- a. Stacey motioned to pass
- b. Jenny second
- c. Motion passed

### 5. President's Report- Maryjo

- a. Vice-President Vote- Katharine Gatcomb (Nashua Public Library)
  - i. Nikki Motion
  - ii. Ashlee second
  - iii. All in favor, motion passed

- b. Secretary Vote- Nikki Rheaume (Lebanon Public Libraries)
  - i. Stacey motioned
  - ii. Yirja second
  - iii. All in favor, Motioned passed

## 6. Vice President's Report-Nicole

- a. The conference is happening currently
  - Post conference survey will be sent out
- b. Proposed date for 2024 conference: September 26 2024

# 7. Secretary's Report- Nikki

a. Nothing to report

# 8. Treasurer's Report- Stacey

- a. As of August 31, 2023 the YALS bank statement reflects a balance of \$6,254.80
  - i. Conference deposit expense \$200
  - ii. \$0.60 interest
  - Does not include additional income or expenses resulting from the YALS conference which instead will be reflected in September and October statements.

### 9. Media Report-

- a. Ashlee is stepping down as Media Chair.
- b. Is anyone interested in taking over as Chair?
  - 1. Krista from Pelham volunteered to take over
    - a. Nicole motioned
    - b. Stacey second
    - c. Motion passed

#### 10. Past-President- Justine

• Not attending the conference. Nothing to report.

# 11. State Library Report- Deborah Dutcher

- Nothing to report.
- New England Collab

## 12. Teen Reads Awards Committee Report- Jenny

- a. Jenny's term is ending this year.
- b. Awards Committee Chair Vote- Chandra Boudreau will be chair in 2024
  - i. Jenny motions
  - ii. Jess from Rye seconds
  - iii. Motion passes
- c. We need a new way to meet virtually
  - i. Goto meeting isn't working anymore
  - ii. Google meets will work except for March meeting
  - iii. Recommends paying for Zoom account for YALS

#### 13. Old Business

- a. Strategic Plan Update
  - i. Discuss Strategic plan updates
  - ii. Per Julia, the final report for the Strategic Plan was presented at the YALS conference last year.

- Here are the findings: https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1h1eZ0ejrBGR-iKzHEPHs
   SIN1BGSITFKKozEowPYJEdI/edit#slide=id.g157b8be8434\_0\_13
- 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 be discussed at next meeting

#### 14. New Business

- a. NHLA president has proposed CLNH-YALS merger given overlap in membership and difficulty finding members for both boards. Suggests co-chairs (one each for children's and teens)
  - i. This issue has been brought up in the past and rejected, but may it may be time to review again.
  - ii. Please come to next meeting to discuss

# 15. Call to adjourn

a. Maryjo adjourned at 10:02am