

YALS Meeting- virtual on GoToMeeting November 17, 2022 10am

### Meeting called to order at 10:07 by Stacey Desrosiers.

**In Attendance**: Stacey Desrosiers- Goffstown Public Library, Deb Dutcher-NH State Library, Nicole Gauvreau- Pease Public Library, Crystal Lisbon - Wiggin Memorial Library, Ashlee Lykansion - Nashua Public Library, Jennifer Stevens- Hopkinton Town Library Stratham, Nikki Rheaume- Lebanon Public Libraries.

Date and Location of next meeting: Jan 26, 2023 at 10am location TBD

**Approval of September minutes:** Stacey Desrosiers motioned to approve Ashlee Lykansion seconded.

President's Report (Justine Farfara, given by Stacey Desrosiers)

• Nothing to report

Vice President's Report (Maryjo Siergiej, given by Stacey Desrosiers)

- Conference Review
  - Virtual attendees could not see slides.
  - There were Zoom issues with computers.
  - People enjoyed lectures but wanted more hands on sessions and breakout sessions with conversation instead of focusing on lectures.
  - Some of the talks didn't fit the theme of Teen Mental Health.
  - Conversation about being careful about who we have as presenters
    - Some people were concerned about ABA and Autism Speaks.
    - More research and vetting should go into presenters.
  - Overall the experience of signing up was good and smooth.
  - Lengths were good for presentations.
  - Length of the conference was appropriate.
  - Announcing the conference and signups 3 months in advance is the ideal time for most participants.

- Comments about the conference/why people could not/did not attend.
  - The location of the conference was too far.
  - School librarians couldn't get substitutes for the date.
  - Parking was difficult with the time limit at Portsmouth Public Library
  - Topics did not fit smaller libraries demographics.

## Secretary's Report (Nikki Rheaume)

• Nothing to report

## Treasurer's Report (Stacey Desrosiers)

- Account from September-October
  - Deposits: \$2085
    - \$2060 from conference
    - \$25 from dues
  - Interest earned: \$0.05
  - End Balance: \$6269.20
- 3 unpaid registrants from the conference
  - These are from SAUs, which sometimes take time for invoices.
  - Stacey is in contact with them.

# Media Report (Ashlee Lykansion)

- Started doing more social media posts.
- Updated some website information, specifically the board contact info.
  - Please take a look at the information and email Ashlee for corrections.
  - $\circ$   $\;$  New board members please send contact information to Ashlee.
- Updating links that are broken.
  - If you notice a problem let her know.
- Survey to members to get information about where they are seeing information/where they would like to see information
  - Are people finding information on the list servs, NHLA website and Facebook.
  - People wishing we were posting on other platforms, such as Instagram, and TikTok, etc.
  - Google form will be sent out for the survey. Ashlee will put it together.

# State Library Report (Deborah Dutcher)

- The 2023 CSLP Online Manual codes are out (thank you CLNH for funding these)
  Contact me if you do not have yours yet.
- Upcoming Programs:
  - Teen Summit Friday, November 18 10-4:30
    - Teen Summit is an entirely online and entirely free professional development conference for library staff who work with teens.
    - All sessions will be recorded and shared after the event, so even if you can't attend the whole day live you can benefit from the event.
    - <u>View the final program</u>. This document will be your key to the summit! Use this document to move in and out of the zoom rooms and

access our virtual tote bag on the day of the event!

- Brought to you by the Connecticut State Library, the Massachusetts Library System, the Maine State Library, the New Hampshire State Library, the Rhode Island Office of Library and Information Services, and the Vermont Department of Libraries.
- Register Here: <u>https://cslib.libcal.com/event/9711370</u>
- I Belong Here- Cultivating Affirmation and Belonging for LGBTQIA+ Youth
  - Register for Cultivating Affirmation & Belonging for LGBTQIA+ Youth with the Kaleidoscope Youth Center, brought to you by CSLP's Inclusion Committee.
  - Registration Link: https://uso2web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\_U8NQW1wcSdy1Hx WJv3kl5g
  - Examine statistics related to discrimination within libraries/schools and risks that LGBTQIA+ youth face on a day-to-day basis in their communities, then discuss ways that library professionals can improve the general climate of libraries and summer reading programs through various strategies from simple word choice to organizational policy change. An interactive safe space for all of your questions will be moderated by a CSLP Inclusion Committee member following the presentation portion. Digital resource handouts will be provided.
  - Outcomes:
    - Participants will learn about implicit bias, the complexity and depth of gender, and explanation of acronyms.
    - Participants will be given strategies to create a welcoming environment in their Library and their Library's summer reading program for LGBTQIA+ youth.
  - Presenter:
    - <u>Kaleidoscope Youth Center</u> in Columbus, Ohio
    - Director of Education and Outreach: Amanda Erickson
    - Vision for Community Education and Professional Development:
      - To expand the safe and affirming spaces of Kaleidoscope Youth Center into the greater community by working with organizations, community members, educators, and youth-serving professionals through education and consultation; and empowering youth leaders to organize their schools and local communities.
- CSLP's Virtual Summer Symposium will be December 8, 2022!
  - 11 am to 4:30 pm EST / 10 am to 3:30 pm CST / 9 am to 2:30 pm MST/ 8 am to 1:30 pm PST
  - Registration Link: <u>https://uso2web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\_PwswKL3JQhKi\_m</u> <u>mKzeBQPw</u>
  - Sessions include:
    - Keynote Speaker is Tracie D. Hall, Executive Director of ALA! She will address The Library as a Civic Bridge and Community Learning Hub.
    - Summer Library Outreach to Underserved Children and Caregivers with ALSC's LSUCTC.
    - All Together Now with Intergenerational Summer Programming with King County Library System and SilverKite Community

Arts.

- Decorating Together with CSLP State Representatives.
- Not able to attend the virtual event live? No need to register the Symposium will be recorded. Recordings will be available <u>here</u> after the event.
- Available NOW on Niche Academy (Cohort Coming In January )
  - The Youth Services Basics course is now available on Niche Academy. https://my.nicheacademy.com/nhsl-staff/course/45478
  - This course is designed as an introduction to library services for public library staff who are new to libraries and/or working with youth. Whether you are already working in a library or just starting out in a new youth services position, this content will help you consider why library services focusing specifically on youth are important, how to collect appropriate materials, the types of services and programs you can provide to your patrons, and the importance of outreach services. This course contains an Overview of Youth Services, followed by age-specific sections on Early Childhood, School Age Children, and Tweens & Teens.
  - This course was created in collaboration by the Indiana State Library, Library of Michigan, Montana State Library, and the Tennessee State Library and Archives, with support from the Institute of Museum and Library Services.
  - Similar to the Storytime Basics and T3, I will be forming a cohort in 2023 that will work thru the material individually but meet to discuss via zoom on Jan 10, Jan 24, Feb 7 & Feb 21 at 1 pm.
  - Sign up for the cohort here: <u>https://forms.gle/NvXECwhb2ERF49KNA</u>
- Supported Storytimes Wednesday, Jan 18, 2023
  - Shelley Harris, Children's Librarian, Oak Park Public Library, IL has been doing supported storytimes for over ten years, using her background as a speech therapist and early learning librarian, along with everything she has learned from her younger disabled brother and his friends. She will deliver an hour long training about the disability community and best practices for storytime.
- New England Collaborative Summer Summit
  - Mark your calendar Friday, March 3 for another free full-day virtual offering from the New England Collaborative.
- T3-Transforming Teen Services
  - A third New Hampshire/Vermont cohort will happen in in 2023 (with hopefully—cross your fingers on a grant—a few extra special workshops).
- Things to borrow:
  - Don't forget about the Peace Packs (I will be refurbishing & adding to these next year),
  - Welcoming Library Kits (with the NH Humanities kit—we have 3 in circulation)
  - Traveling Kitchen.
  - I will be adding some STEM items in 2023 as well.
  - See my libguides for more info and contact me to borrow.

Teen Reads Awards Committee Report (Jenny Devost, was not able to attend)

• Nothing to report due to absence.

#### **Old Business**

- Revised Bylaws
  - Stay as old business until next meeting
- Strategic Plan
  - Stay as old business until next meeting

#### **New Business**

- Nicole was talking to READS–wants to know if YALS wants to be involved with READS to-go kit.
  - Laconia offered The Hate U Give.
  - Are we ok with adding titles?
    - Push to the next meeting.

## **Books/Programs to share**

- Stacey's podcast had teens cohost an episode.
  - $\circ$   $\,$  Downloads jumped from 30-50 a month to 35 in the first week.
- Ashlee started a TAG
  - Tab meets from 7pm-8pm
  - Also have a tween advisory group.
- Ashlee- Making a tween area in childrens room.
- Ashlee- 6 week babysitting course.
  - Trained through 4-h group
  - Hosted the program to a group of 7 teens.
  - Lucia from Portsmouth did a training for librarians
  - Will do it again in spring.
- Ashlee- Went to a high school and got 75 teens to sign up for a library card while in the hallway of the school.
- Nikki- Also established a TAB. It meets from 3pm-4pm
  - TAB has organized two events coming up–one with portable kitchen
- Nicole–Teen Advisory growing!!! Meets from 5pm-6pm
  - Top snacks are goldfish, gummy and capri suns.
  - Very enthusiastic about decorating teen room
  - Teens are making displays as well.
- Nicole- School outreach-printing out tri fold pamphlets of events, and gave them to the high school.
- Stacey has a TAB helped out with pumpkin regatta with a button making table. 5 will be volunteering at pie auction and event.
- Everyone's TAB/TAG currently meets monthly.
- Everyone is trying to figure out the best time for TAG/TAB to meet.
- Nicole: Life and Crimes of Hoodie Rosen by Issac Blume
- Nikki: Fine: A Comic about Gender by Rhea Ewing

## Call to adjourn Stacey called 10:45 Nikki Seconded.