

YALS Meeting Minutes

September 27th, 2012

Government Center

Concord, NH

Present: Kirsten Corbett(Lane), Lisa Houde(Rye), Kathy Watson(Kimball/Atkinson), Erin Robinson(Derry), Leigh Maynard(Hopkinton), Allison Steele(Wilton), Nancy Lang(Dunbarton), Ann Hoey(NH State Lib), Barb Ballou(New Boston), Tanya Robbins(Plymouth), Donna Hynes(Rochester), Jenny Stevens(Meredith), Jen Leger(Bow), Jenn Hosking(Nashua), Alex Estabrook(Merrimack)

Next Meeting: October 25th, 9:30-12:00

Other important dates: Book Review coming up the week of November 5th at Pease Public Library.

Secretary's Report: Kate was not in attendance, no report. No correction to previous meeting minutes.

Motion for New Officers.

All were in favor of full slate:

President: Kirsten Corbett, Hampton

Vice President: Kathy Watson, Atkinson

Treasurer: Allison Steele, Wilton

Secretary: Erin Robinson, Derry

Past President: Letty Goerner, Milford

No agenda this meeting. Items discussed:

Conference Recap/Looking Forward:

First question: should we do the conference again this coming year? The group felt that we should since there will be no NHLA this coming year. It will fill the gap. All agreed. Looking ahead a variety of comments were thrown out in brainstorming the upcoming conference:

- 1) We found the Flume book talk valuable.
- 2) Many thought it would be a good idea to get a "bigger" speaker for the coming year. Kirsten will touch base with authors. Names thrown out were: Patrick Jones, John Green, M.T. Anderson, Libba Bray, Nancy Werlin.
- 3) We would prefer a versatile speaker who could do breakout sessions.

- 4) Box lunches were brought up as a possibility for the upcoming conference in order to provide a more sanitary alternative to the lunch. We would have to look at Gluten Free options if we go this route.
- 5) Ann will need more help for the conference, especially if we have a bigger one. Kirsten will discuss assigning various officers to different conference jobs at a later meeting.

Meeting Locations:

The question of whether the Government Center works for all meetings was brought to the table. Works for those who are close by, but some travel a greater distance. We used to rotate. Lisa mentioned it was nice to see the other libraries and space as an extension of the meeting. We will plan to have the October meeting in Concord.

~~~~~And everyone should watch the dates on the website for meeting times, so that they can check their library meeting rooms for availability. Bring a possible host date to the next meeting.

We also discussed a googlemaps visual for the YALS website where librarians could write in their address and we could have a pin board of locations on the map. It would serve to show what libraries are most central among all of the YALS members.

**Video Challenge:** Ann recapped last year's video challenge. NH had 20 entries statewide! Please remember to watch for info on the 2013 video challenge on the website. The prize is \$275!

**Summer Read:** Please note that the CSLP will now only pay partial amount for the manuals, so the cost will be higher.

If you are not able to attend Chilis, do a van slip and the manual can be sent to you that way.

The manual has an eval. Do you want there to be more for the YA component? It could be expanded. Discuss at ChILIS—(feedback)t-shirt sizes were not as far ranging in teen as they were in childrens.

Respectfully Submitted by Erin Robinson