YALS Meeting - Local Government Center

1. 8/24/2017 Meeting Called to Order at 10:00 a.m.

2. In Attendance: Susanne Cortez (Lebanon Public Library), Julia Lanter (Exeter Public Library), Tanya Ricker (Plymouth/Pease Public Library), Anne Hoey (NHSL), Marilyn Borgendale (GMILCS), Heather Lindsay (Greenland/Weeks Public Library), Lisa "Li" Harling (Durham Public Library), Donna Hynes (Rochester Public Library)

3. Location and Date of Next Meeting: Fall YALS Conference September, 28 @ 10:00 a.m. at Local Government Center.

Action Items: Minutes approved.

5. President's Report: Susanne requested names for nominations for YALS positions for 2017-2018. Tanya Ricker was nominated for President, Julia Lanter was nominated for Vice President, Lisa Harling for Secretary, Donna Hynes was nominated for Treasurer.
Action Items: Julia will send nominations to Gail Zachariah.

6. Vice President's Report: Tanya ceded time to the fall conference discussion
Action Items: None.

7. Treasurer's Report: The current balance is $4,287.76
Action Items: None.

8. State Report: Anne informed the board that the YALSA Symposium in Louisville, Kentucky beginning November 6th is asking for a state library worker to attend from NH, with travel, food and board fully paid. She asked if a YALS rep could attend instead of a NHSL employee, and was told due to the nature of the IMLS grant paying the travel expenses, the representative must be a state library employee.
Action Items: Anne will continue to communicate with the organization.

9. Website: Barb was absent.
Action Items: Susanne will ask if Barb can put a link on the Flume/Isinglass page for librarians to share documents and information about how they promote the Flume and Isinglass awards.

10. Fall Conference Discussion:
   A. Panels: The Mental Health and Safe Space Panels both have two speakers, the Social Media Panel has one speaker, Julia and Tanya will run the Isinglass/Flume Panel and Lisa Bunker has agreed to be our lunchtime speaker.
   Action Items: Tanya asks if you confirmed a speaker to send her their contact information. Tanya will coordinate the Mental Health Panel and Social Media Panel, Julia will coordinate the Safe Space Panel. Tanya and Lisa Harling will attempt to contact Seacoast Outright for either materials to hand out or for a representative to speak on the Safe Space Panel. All panelists will be asked for their AV needs and food preferences and Tanya will register all panelists. It was agreed that any librarian participating in a panel will have their registration fee waived.

   B. Lunch: Brown Bag has agreed to cater. Breakfast is $3.50, Lunch $8.25 per person
   Action Items: Susanne will ask if Brown Bag will take a deposit prior to the event and then pay the rest of the bill after the conference. Brown Bag requires our order 7-10 days before September 28th.
C. Schedule:

- Setup: Board members arrive at 9 for setup.
- 9:30-10:00 Breakfast & Registration
- 10:00 - 10:30 YALS Meeting & Officer Vote
- 10:30 - 11:30 Mental Health Panel
- 11:30 -12:00 Flume/Isinglass Merger Panel
- 12:00 -1:15 Lunch & Lisa Bunker talk @ 12:20
- 1:30 -2:15 Safe Spaces Panel
- 2:15 - 2:45 Social Media & Teens
- 2:45 -3:00 Raffle Winner & Official Conference End

D. Other Action Items: Registration fees will be $45 for members, $55 for nonmembers. Susanne will send out registration on Monday. Susanne will also ask Sylvie to again print out name badges with Julia as a backup. Julia will coordinate and man the raffle table with Lisa Harling volunteering to be a roving ticket taker. The raffle prize is a $75 Amazon gift card. Anne Hoey will ask Bobbie Slosser if she would like to donate tickets to her Concord, NH Escape Room for a second grand prize. The GSLEN speaker on the Safe Space Panel has LGBTQ books to distribute for free as does Anne Hoey. Gibsons has agreed to provide copies of Lisa Bunker’s Feliz YZ. Anne will pick our book order up at Gibsons the day before the conference. We will use SurveyMonkey for the conference survey and include on the survey a question asking what type of YALS swag the section members would prefer.

11. New Business: Marilyn Borgendale reported on NHLA’s push for advocacy. She thanked the board for their work as advocates and asked that all YALS members continue to contact their representative and invite them to library events. She emphasized the importance of calling representatives. NHLA is in the process of updating the website and has a new slogan, "NHLA, Committed to Networking Professionals, Growth, and Advocacy for the Future of New Hampshire Librarians. NHLA is committed to having a Spring Conference every two years. The next Spring Conference will be in Meredith, NH May 9 & 10, 2019. Sylvie takes over on November 3rd and all members are invited to attend.


13. New Books and Programming Ideas to Share: Susanne had a successful program recycling old library computers by having teens take them apart and put them back together. She recommends TechGirlz, a national program for girls that has more flexibility in terms of facilitating and hosting an event than Girls Who Code.

Passive programming of recycled or "found" item art programs like "Frakendolls" or "Found Art Fridays" were discussed.

14. Adjournment: 11:35 am