## Youth Services Section Executive Board Meeting June 12, 2018

The Executive Board met for the third meeting of the 2018-2019 Biennium at the West Regional Library in Cary at 12 noon. Attending were: Chair Meg Smith, Past-Chair Tanika Martin, Sec/Treasurer Helen Yamamoto, Director Julianne Dunn, State Library Youth Services Consultant Jasmine Rockwell, and NCCBA Liaison Janet West. Vice Chair Lisa Donaldson and Director Jen Pace attended by Google Hangouts.

## Agenda

Meg called the meeting to order at 12:13 p.m. Meg moved that April minutes be approved, and Helen seconded. The motion passed.

### **Budget**

Helen reported the YSS account balance is \$7,042.14 as of March 30, 2018. Earning/expense report for the time period covering NCLA Conference is not yet available, so we do not know whether Conference was a revenue builder (though from our balance, it appears that it was not).

### **State Library Report**

Jasmine reported on continuing education opportunities:

Another round of Supercharged Storytimes will start March 2019.

This fall is the Summer Learning Summit - 1.5-2 days in a central location

- Will have bigger picture training opportunities, like summer feeding site and school/public library collaboration, with a World Café breakout
- Travel Stipends will be offered
- Jasmine is looking for a free facility that has space for 80 with breakout space, as well, for the end of September 2018. The Board suggested Holly Springs Library/community center and Garner Town Hall as possibilities.

The State Library plans to offer scholarships for the YALSA Symposium in November 2018 in Salt Lake City, UT.

In addition, it will offer scholarships for YALSA e-courses related to the Teen Competencies: "Transforming Teen Services Through Continuing Ed"—40 seats in the fall and 40 seats in the spring.

The State Library will purchase four traveling, inflatable planetariums housed regionally, to circulate through kitkeeper. They have five-meter domes, and are plug-and-play ready. They will be available starting September 2018. There will be web-based training and can be checked out for up to one month. These relate to next year's SRP theme. After SRP two will go to a science museum and their usage will be managed by them.

#### **NCCBA**

Janet shared that the 2019 nominees are now posted on the NCCBA blog. The activity booklets should be available by the beginning of July and will also be posted on the blog.

Several people have left the NCCBA Committee, so they are recruiting new school media specialists.

### **Fabulous Fridays**

Joan could not be at the meeting but shared the dates for this year's Fabulous Fridays:

9/28 – Mountains

10/5 – Central NC

10/12 – Eastern NC

As a reminder, Fabulous Fridays are one-day mini-conferences directed at smaller library systems, new professionals, and paraprofessionals. PLS has an interest in partnering with YSS to provide youth-centered content at these events.

This year the focus will be on school/public library collaboration. **Jen** has some experience in this area and will reach out to Joan with some examples.

Meg will compose an email to recruit Fabulous Friday presenters from among our YSS members.

#### 2018 YSS Retreat

The Retreat will be October 18-19, 2018 at YMCA Blue Ridge Assembly.

The theme is "Youth centered, Library focused", with the idea that staff serving youth need to be well-versed in other areas, as well. Meg updated the Board on the status of potential presenters:

- 1. Dr. Sandra Hughes-Hassell agreed to present with compensation in the form of room and board only. Her keynote presentation and workshop on "Youth Activism Through Community Engagement" will take 90 minutes, and she would like to speak on Friday morning.
- 2. Jewel Davis will present on evaluating titles with diverse character representation and has agreed to accept room and board as compensation. She would like 45 minutes, preferably on Friday.
- 3. The State Library will subsidize a one hour and 45 minute workshop presented by Criss Cross Mango Sauce on Outreach to Latinos.
- 4. Autism Society of NC wants two hours to provide information on serving and programming for people with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). They can provide it in two one-hour segments. The potential presenter is currently out of town, but **Helen** will follow up with more information when she returns.
- 5. Grant attendees will have 30-45 minutes to report on programming conducted with their Maker Kits. Jen confirmed that our Maker Kit Grant RFP offered free Retreat attendance for grant recipients presenting at the event. Tanika suggested that recipients who are unable to attend may submit a 5-minute video, instead. Meg will reach out to grant recipients to share this information.

In order to fit all presenters into the schedule and still allow space for presentations resulting from our RFP to YSS membership, Juliane suggested we drop the breakout sessions

and instead ask attendees to bring a favorite program plan. The plans would be compiled and provided to attendees.

The group also discussed the possibility of facilitating "impromptu" program sharing at mealtimes, identifying two tables each as young child, school age, and teen discussion arenas.

Lisa suggested we provide "Ask me about—" nametags, so attendees could start up conversations with each other about their areas of expertise.

Tanika suggested we cut ASNC's time to one hour and provide them space for a poster session about programming.

The Board settled on a revised Retreat schedule, as follows:

Thursday –

12-12:30 p.m. Packet Pick-Up

12:30-1:15 p.m. Lunch

1:15-1:30 p.m. Meg's Welcome

1:30-2:15 p.m. Jewel Davis – Selecting Diverse Books

2:15-2:30 p.m. Break

2:30-3:30 p.m. Autism Society of NC – Serving Patrons with Autism Spectrum Disorder

3:45-4:15 p.m. Check-In

4:15-5 p.m. Breakout

5-6 p.m. Dinner (dependent on YMCA dinner schedule)

7:15 p.m. Campfire with wine and smores

Friday –

8-8:45 Breakfast

8:45-9:15 Check-out

9:15-11 State Library with Criss Cross Mango Sauce

11:15-12 Breakout

12-12:45 Lunch

1-1:45 Speaker 4

1:50-2:35 Speaker 5

2:35-3 Wrap-up/Raffle

Helen will call Danielle at YMCA regarding meal times, wine at the campfire, flexibility with checkin time, and a rain location for the campfire event (possibly a game night as an alternative). Meg will ask Jasmine to provide a box of books/swag for the raffle.

The Board discussed pricing for this year's event, and decided on the following:

\$179 member/\$199 non-member for Double Occupancy

\$219 member/\$239 non-member for Single Occupancy

\$99 member/\$119 non-member for Commuters

Jen will post the fees on our Retreat web page. The Board also decided that Jen would take over all web editing and maintenance from now on. Helen will arrange for Jen to get web editing privileges.

# Adjournment

Meg proposed adjournment and Helen seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 3:12 p.m.

# **Upcoming Meeting Dates:**

Meetings are usually held quarterly on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month, from 12 to 3 p.m. June 12 – West Regional Library, Cary August 14 – Iredell Public Library, Statesville December 11 – Bordeaux Branch Library, Fayetteville

Respectfully submitted Helen Yamamoto, Secretary Treasurer