

**LACONI YSS General Meeting
November 16, 2012**

**Changing the Face of Summer Reading
Fountaindale Public Library**

At 9:46 a.m. President Dee Delaney called the meeting to order. Dee introduced a library staff member who went over library logistics and announced a tour of the building during lunch. Dee introduced the board members.

Secretary's Report

Secretary's report was read and filed as written.

Treasurer's Report

The treasurer's report was read and filed.

Lindsey Dorfman shared information on the February and April programs. Laura Y. shared information on how to participate in LACONI YSS and the current process in choosing board members. An announcement was made about the YSS Facebook page; Jessica P. was thanked for setting it up. The business meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Andrew Wilson from New York Public Library did a presentation via GoToMeeting, sharing the development of its online summer reading program from its inception using Drupal in 2010 to its current version using Bibliocommons as an overlay. Participants create avatars and earn badges that are tracked for them online. The library wants the summer reading site and the library's catalog connection to be as seamless as possible. Its ultimate goal is to bridge the gap between schools and public libraries and make it a year round program integrating both sets of institutions.

Lynda Freas & Deirdre Caparoso from Colorado's Anythink Libraries shared how its summer reading program works. It is an experience based program which allows any patron to track, through journal/scrapbooks, the experiences they have during the summer. This can include books read, programs attended, and activities done. Goals are set by participants. Any programs done at the library locations are smaller because they are all interactive; if a performer is hired, the program must be an interactive program. The staff creates "experience sheets" which patrons use to record their experiences and use in their journals.

Evanced and Plymouth Rock gave demonstrations of their online summer reading program products.

In the afternoon, attendees were able to attend three (out of four) sharing sessions with other like-sized libraries in these areas: library size, volunteers, partnerships and incentives.

Lunch was boxed lunches provided by Panera.

The program concluded at 3:00.