LACONI YSS General Meeting
Friday, November 12, 2010

Early Literacy Workshop
Joliet Public Library – Black Road Branch, Joliet, IL

President Kathy Fredrickson called the meeting to order at 10:05 am. She welcomed everyone, and read the LACONI Youth Services mission statement.
Board members were introduced. Kathy introduced Vice President Shelley Campbell by saying that Shelley's job is to plan workshops and encouraged everyone to express their appreciation to her. The audience was also encouraged to approach board members to ask about board membership.

Secretary's Report
The September 24 secretary's report was read and filed.

Treasurer's Report
The treasurer's report was read and filed.

The business meeting adjourned at 10:13 am.

In the morning, Marilyn Price, storyteller, puppeteer and early literacy expert, presented practical methods, using puppets, books and other devices, to introduce the six pre-literacy skills to adults and to children. During the course of her presentation, she encouraged workshop members to share their own methods. Her workshop concluded with workshop members' construction of their own puppets.

Lunch was catered by Cemeno's Pizza.

In the afternoon, four presenters shared other methods.
Phyllis Davis from Matteson Public Library showed ideas for incorporating the "six plus one" pre-literacy skills from the Every Child Ready to Read initiative in story times.
Donna Mihovilovich from Elk Grove Village Public Library presented using puppets in story times.
Gail Lundgren from Gail Borden Public Library demonstrated their hands-on ECRR workshops.
Mary Adamowski and Diane Norris from Orland Park Public Library talked about the Bright Starts program of bilingual story times.

The meeting adjourned at 3:10 pm.