

**LACONI YSS Board Meeting
West Chicago Public Library
May 20, 2011**

Board members in attendance were Jennifer Ablar, Joyce Arellano, Jennifer Brander, Shelley Campbell, Dee Delaney, Lindsey Dorfman, Rita Feltes, Dana Folkerts, Kathy Fredrickson, Elisa Gueffier, Christy Kepler, Elizabeth McChesney, Jessica Parker, Alicia Parmele, Emily Porter, Dana Russell, Valerie Verscaj, and Laura Yanchick.

President Shelley Campbell called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.
All board members introduced themselves and shared summer plans.
New board members were welcomed and goodbyes extended to exiting board members.

Secretary's Report

The minutes from the April 15 board meeting were read and approved with corrections. The minutes from the April 29 general meeting were read and approved with corrections.

Treasurer's Report

The treasurer's report was read and approved.

Old Business

- Tween Library Services Program
 - Evaluation responses were reviewed: afternoon sessions were more successful as attendees like sharing program ideas; both negative and positive responses given on booktalk; more people are finding out about LACONI YSS programs from website
 - Discussion was held and then tabled until September about what categories to list under where attendees hear about the programs.
 - Shelley will email speakers and ask for permission to have their presentations posted to website and will then email them to Laura for posting. There needs to be more diligence in asking speakers' permission to post.
 - It was suggested that we should ask speakers to give a brief synopsis of their library's demographics before presenting.
- Harvest of Resources
 - Elisa explained Harvest to new members.
 - Deadline is approaching for interested performers to send information for posting.
 - Laura shared information about another organization in Skokie that is doing a showcase on August 31st. For information and registration, go to northshorecenter.org
 - Discussion was held about having a wiki. Need to keep in mind there is a difference between a performer who pays to be on it and a wiki that is available for professionals to make comments about performers.
 - Assignments were decided: Greeters (directional and lunch as well) will be Christy, Shelley, Jessica, Rita and Dana R.; Timers will be Dee & Lindsey; Registration will be Jenny A., Kathy and Alicia; Refreshments point people are Emily & Joyce; Exhibitors/Display tables person is Dana F.
 - Once performers are chosen, they will be publicized on website.

- Elisa will email board members copy of letter to be given out to performers who might be good for Harvest.
- Harvest committee will meet during the summer to finalize performers.
- By-Laws
 - Ideas on how to distribute board membership were discussed.
 - Decision was made to make parameters as broad as possible. Every attempt will be made to recruit members from a range of geographic regions and library sizes.
 - May possibly need a nominations schedule for people interested in participating on the board.
 - It was decided on a maximum of 18 board members.
 - Discussion on length of term was held.
 - A discussion was held on the best way for general members to vote for the board: monkey survey that is emailed to member libraries with only one person from library allowed to vote; a ballot posted on website and asking general members to vote.

New Business

- Buddies for new members were chosen: Dana R. & Rita, Elisa & Emily, and Lindsey & Dana F.
- YSS Committees – previous chair of each committee described responsibilities of each committee; previous committee chairs will pass information on to new chairs.
- New committees:
 - Harvest of Resources – Elisa (chair), Jenny B., Liz, Christy, Alicia, Jenny A.
 - By-laws – Shelley, Kathy, Dee & Laura
 - Programming – Dee (chair), Christy, Lindsey, Jenny A., Joyce
 - Publicity – Jessica (chair), Laura (PALS), Dana F. (MLS), Liz (CPL), Alisha (NSLS)
 - Nominations – Laura
 - Refreshments – Elisa (chair), Jenny A., Joyce, Emily
 - Audit – Dee, Lindsey
 - Historian – Rita
- Meeting locations for the next year were discussed. Schaumburg is tentatively set for November 18 program; Tinley Park is tentatively set for February 24 program; Chicago Public is set for September 23 program; Poplar Creek, Carol Stream, Oakbrook were discussed as possible options for April 27 program as was Elgin.
- A variety of programming ideas for the new year were discussed: Illinois authors, technology, geocaching, having technology be an element in every program, using social media in youth services as a professional development tool, Make It and Take It program, Back to Basics that would include reference interviews, individual speakers.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.