

Young Adult Services Meeting

October 31, 2007

1:00pm - 4:00pm

Midwest City Library

Attendance:

Emily Williams (OUT), Dana Morrow (OUT), Lisa Wood (OUT), Janet Brooks (MSL), Anna Todd (MSL), Adrienne Butler (Guest/Oklahoma Department of Libraries), Kiona Millirons (Guest/Artist Presenter), Bob Moore (Guest/Artist Presenter), Barbara Johnson (BI), Phil Tolbert (CH), Angela Hill (CH), Carol Roberts (CT), Simona Long (DC), Ronna Davis (ED), Teresa Matthews (ED), Deb Willis (MC), Sam Richards (MC), Kimberly Ventrella (RE), John Hilbert (SO), Josh Schell (VI), Cheryl Coleman (WA)

Welcome and Announcements:

Emily introduced the guests and the new librarian from Ralph Ellison, Kim Ventrella.

Dana mentioned the Design Your NW Library link on the Metrolibrary.org website and encouraged everyone to contribute their ideas.

Emily presented the Del.icio.us website that she created for all the YA librarians to use as a resource. Del.icio.us/metroya is the website and she will be maintaining it with useful links for everyone to use.

Guest Presentation:

Kiona Millirons presented her programming ideas for Summer 2008. The first program is to recycle men's ties and sew them into different creatures. The second program is to create personal shrines or altered art out of recycled materials, boxes, photographs etc. John Hilbert (SO) mentioned that he had Kiona do this program for the teens at his library with great success. Kiona shared some books in our library that have examples of this type of art.

Handouts:

Mystery Kits are available to check out from Outreach. These kits are for creating a mystery night program with teens. A list of the kits available was passed out.

A pop culture quiz was among the handouts as was an article about teen audio books and ways to promote audiobooks in the library.

Emily talked about the Teens' Top Ten list that was created during this year's Teen Read Week. Stephanie Meyers' book New Moon was number 1 by an overwhelming majority. Emily suggested a prom program for Teen Read Week in 2008, based on the Meyers' books.

Information about artist Debbie Langston was handed out. Debbie does many different types of art classes at the OKC Moa. Emily thinks teens would like the wire art class that she teaches.

Emily passed out an article from VOYA about essential professional reference books for YA librarians. Many of these books are in our library system and Emily brought one entitled "The Guy-Friendly YA Library: Serving Male Teens."

Summer Reading:

Cheryl Coleman (WA) expressed gratitude to all the volunteers who stuffed packages for the summer. She said they really made the summer much easier. She also suggested that we give the backpacks at a goal 1 prize or having a really good goal 1 prize. She said that many teens signed up to get the bag, but did not follow through to get any of the other prizes.

Teresa Matthews (ED) suggested free MP3 downloads as a prize.

John Hilbert (SO) talked about the board that he and Cheryll Smith created to show all the prizes at each of the levels. He said it made it much easier to explain what the kids and teens would receive for reaching their goals. Emily mentioned that this is something Outreach and Marketing are talking about doing for all the libraries next year.

Cheryl Coleman (WA) mentioned her concern that the reading certificates (for the children) were in the envelope and not signed. Emily and Lisa talked about the idea that we would "sign" them with a stamp or have them overprinted with Spoticus' signature.

Josh Schell (VI) mentioned contacting Best Buy for donations for next year.

Emily showed the artwork for next summer and handed out the promotional catalogs. She also talked about the theme for 2009 and requested ideas to be submitted to her or Adrienne @ ODL for the manual. Emily talked about the Wiki that Adrienne created for the artists and presenters.

http://cya.oklibshare.org/mediawiki/index.php/Main_Page

BREAK 2:00 - 2:15pm

The Wii's were set up to play the games and learn how they work.

Guest Presenter:

John Hilbert (SO) introduced Bob Moore a local artist/instructor that he has hired to do multimedia classes for teens. Bob showed animated clips that kids and teens created using basic computer equipment. For programs he brings a video camera and musical equipment and teaches kids and teens how to create animated movies. He is in the artist and presenter database.

Teen Read Week 2008:

Emily presented the theme for Teen Read Week (Month) for 2008: "Books with Bite." Oklahoma is a pilot site for a statewide Teen Read Week. More information on this will be coming from Adrienne at ODL.

Materials Selection:

Janet Brooks (MSL) talked about the new Spotlight On bibliographies on the website. She asked for feedback on these and wants to know if they are being used. She recommended using them to help create displays in the branches.

Booktalks:

Barb Johnson (BI) did a booktalk on S.E. Hinton's latest book "Some of Tim's Stories." She also gave some background information on Hinton and mentioned that she went to college with her sister.

Cheryl Coleman (WA) did a booktalk on "Runner" by Carl Deuker. It is on the current YA Sequoyah Masterlist.

Emily booktalked "The Cute Book" by Aranzi Aronzo and also some books with similar topics "Plush-O-Rama" by Linda Kopp and "Amigurumi" by Elisabeth Doherty. She showed the stuffed creatures that she created from "The Cute Book" and suggested that these books would be a great program or craft idea especially for the Anime clubs.

Sharing:

Josh Schell (VI) talked about a bookmark he created to educate teens (and other customers) about the Learning Express Library database.

Kimberly Ventrella (RE) talked about the upcoming talent show program and asked for advice.

Angela Hill (CH) talked about the gourd art program they did with the help of a local artist John Hernandez.

Teresa Matthews and Ronna Davis (ED) talked about the Manga/Anime club and also a recent program with author David Ferris.

Barb Johnson (BI) discussed a recent problem with a customer in the YA area.

Carol Roberts (CT) mentioned that they are interviewing for a new part-time YA librarian at Choctaw.

Cheryl Coleman (WA) talked about a program with local artist Danny Gordon and also a scavenger hunt program that she created to educate teens about the library.

Dana Morrow (OUT) discussed the upcoming Our World program featuring classical music from India.

Simona Long (DC) talked about the success of the Teen Read Month program with Bryan Dahlvang. She said that a recent program about personality types did not have such a great response.

Phil Tolbert (CH) said that they are gearing up for their annual Christmas/Holiday program. They are going to be doing an enormous Christmas Tree and said they would appreciate ornaments to be donated.

John Hilbert (SO) talked about the scavenger hunt that he and Cheryl Smith did for Talk Like a Pirate Day.

Sam Richards (MC) has started an Anime/Manga club. He also talked about the scavenger hunt that they did for the Information Matrix camp this summer.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00pm.