

# YA Services Retreat

**March 2, 2011 Capitol Hill Library**

**Attendees:** Suzette Felton, Teresa Matthews, Lisa Wood, Taryn Kingery, Anna Woods, Lindsay Egle, John Hilbert, Debbie McPherson, Lynda Bahr, Kelley Riha, Mallory Weigl, Melissa Weathers, Cyndi Selinger, Kim Edwards, Cheryl Coleman, Janet Brooks, Emily Williams, Angela Hill, Heidi Port

**Welcome and Announcements:** Welcome extended to Taryn Kingery, RE .

- Author visit April 5, 6, 7. Posters were routed, let Emily know if you need more. Talk it up! Check your paperback section for books.
- Blow up globes – teen goal 1 prize
- Spring Break Stickerthon – March 15 & 16. Sign up ends March 4<sup>th</sup> except for previous vols!
- May 7 – Free Comic Book Day! Designate a contact person for that day. Setting limits is up to you. E-mail Emily if you have questions.

## YA Literature Symposium Reports

- Teresa – Connecting Religious Teens with Literature (Handout = 🖐)
  - Teen Reads – Clean Reads 🖐
  - **Best moment – fun meeting other people and realizing our system is stellar for YA!**
- Kim – Reader's Advisory Toolkit (🖐)
  - Advisory types include those for teens, parents of teens and read-a-likes
  - Read a book in 10 minutes (🖐)
  - Listen to a book in 30 minutes (🖐)
  - Mini Toolkit (🖐)
  - June is audiobook month – marketing strategy includes book, audio and movie all together
  - Pop culture mini toolkit (🖐)
  - Janet suggested to teach parents to quick read books and utilize Amazon browse and reviews.
- Suzette – Open mic (🖐)
  - Step up YOUR confidence – be the example and leader
  - Allow teens to express themselves but be sure to review the items first
  - Best moment – realizing being a librarian is so much more than we think it is.
- Anna – Why Street Lit matters (🖐)
  - Street lit vs YA substitutes (🖐)
  - Why do teens connect to street lit? (🖐)
  - Vanessa Morris is leading expert on street lit
  - Best moment – relationship building in our system and the mixer
- Lindsay – YA Fiction with gay/lesbian/queer content 1969 – 2010
  - Bibliography (🖐)
  - Notes (🖐)
  - Best Moment – Meeting new librarians and ten hour drive to talk!
- John – Celebramos Libros (🖐)
  - Library – keeps culture loose and malleable like art does (example of Elvis)

- Cuban culture – poets and artists use metaphor for expression - muralists
- Best moment – Elevator experience with balloon ride woman
- 2012 – Conference is in St. Louis! Cost potentially \$500 per person – talk to your manager if interested.

Pop Culture quiz and prizes! Melissa, Cyndi and Teresa were the big prizewinners!

#### Book Trailers

- Spark Girls or Harper Collins, Penguin and other big publishers good places to look
- Taryn and Anna – RE – doing a teen book trailer night. Introduce teens to the idea to later segue into a book trailer contest? March 29<sup>th</sup>

#### Sequoyah

- Voting online and open until March 31<sup>st</sup>. oklibs.org
- Want to be on Sequoyah committee? Let Emily know!
- 2012 Audio YA books have been ordered.

#### Volunteer update – Heidi

- Intranet for Volunteer Supers – Resources, Staff Resources, then Volunteer Supers.
- Online applications and summer information available at [www.supportmls.org](http://www.supportmls.org)
- Online applications – respond to teens – use e-mail references and request for parental waiver templates in resource section.
- Possible volunteer applications in searchable database on intranet.

#### Xbox Kinect – Angela

- Paid for with tech budget money.
- AWESOME!

#### YA Booktalks

- Lisa – the Cardturner by Louis Sachar
- Cyndi – The Immortal Series
- Emily – The Grimm Legacy

#### System-wide Fun

- Contest – talent show?
- Maybe next March?
- Encourage participation of local businesses...prize could be studio time
- Emily will compile rules and guidelines used by other systems and begin discussion
- Ideas? Send them to Emily

#### Ideas to stay better connected and share resources

- E-mail any posters, flyers to all
- Copy any items of interest to entire e-mail group
- Other ideas?

## Sharing

- Suzette – Youth Summer Camp Petting Zoo by OKC Herpatology on June 11<sup>th</sup>
- Cheryl – Larry with Snakes in April. Unique Critiques Contest – get kids reading (👏)
- Kim – I Can't believe I shot that – March 15<sup>th</sup>. International Festiva – April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Serving on Connect – librarian forum.
- Lisa – Midsummer Night's Dream Tour by Reduxion Theatre coming to five libraries.
- Angela – Teen Tech Week Bingo (👏) – Students can learn new tools
- Cyndi – Anime Club live performance by Corey Phillips with Take 1 – very exciting for participants
- Teresa – 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Peeps Contest – "Peeps on Parade" in April. CSI by Penny Cooper on March 29<sup>th</sup>. American Red Cross babysitting workshop – paying for 10 participants. Read with a Beat – ED Homeschooler came in second in state.
- Lindsay – still open! Enter through South door.
- Emily – Ghouls Gone Wild Parade theme? Must be literary. October 22<sup>nd</sup> – Lindsay's Dad and trailer can be used for the float. Lloyd suggested after the meeting – Legend of Sleepy Hollow.
- Taryn & Anna – doing Book Trailers for Teen Read Week. Pimp my book cart. Social networking classes (for all ages). Boot Camp – they have a great contact.
- John – Fan Fiction, Fan Art. Temporary location for summer programs – going to try stuff in the schools as well.
- Janet – DN Display made of prizes customers could win – ingenious and effective!
- Mallory – gaming contest – prize is an I-pod Touch. Students must complete packet including tech terms, puzzle, book recommendation, etc. Summer volunteers – doing a volunteer mixer after the training. Planning photos of all vols and outstanding volunteer of the week again this year.

Meeting adjourned!