

TLN Teen Services Committee Meeting

Friday, January 11, 2019

Bloomfield Township Public Library

1099 Lone Pine Rd, Bloomfield Twp, MI 48302

Phone: 248-642-5800 Website: <https://btpl.org/>

1:40 PM

Call to Order

Introductions

In Attendance:

Allison Sartwell - Rochester Hills
Brooke Hoskins - Bloomfield Township
Julie Porreca - Taylor
Becky Price - Taylor
Catherine Ricard - Grosse Pointe
Jody Wolak - Wayne
Josh Campeau - Pontiac
Sarah Swiderski - Salem-South Lyon
Emily Dobbs - Wixom
Elissa Zimmer - Ferndale
Mike DiMuzio - Southgate
Jocelyn Levin - Lyon Township
Melissa Shank - Lyon Township
Ashley Finkbeiner - Southfield
Nichole Welz - Canton
Mary Voigt - Wayne
Erin Look - Auburn Hills
Lauren Baker - Plymouth
Karen Dobson - Milford
Jessica Wilhoite - Romulus
Janna VanHouten - TLN
Elisabeth Phou - Birmingham

Approval of Agenda

1. Jocelyn (Lyon Township)
2. Lauren (Plymouth)

Approval of Minutes

1. Karen (Milford)
2. Mike (Southgate)

State and Local Committee Updates

none

TLN Updates

none

1:45 PM Change in officers, nominations for new chair-elect

Jody will step down as chair, Allison will take over.

New chair-elect is Emily Dobbs from Wixom.

Ballot will be sent out to make it official.

1:45 PM Feedback on Performers' Showcase

Performers we liked:

Phoenix Freerunning

Suggestions for future performers:

Henna

Mobile Escape Room

Computer programmers/coding

STEM presenters

Bullet Journaling

Motor City Street Dance Academy

1:55 PM Programming for Pennies

Come prepared to share a craft or describe a program that you did that was both popular and inexpensive. Bring samples if possible!

- Calming glitter stress jar (kombucha bottle, water, food coloring, glitter, clear glue)
- Recycled book crafts (ornaments, flowers hair pins)
- No-sew sock snowman
- Coasters (sharpie/spray rubbing alcohol/fire/polyurethane)
- Wreck This Journal
- Marble run (paper towel tubes, tape, marbles)
- Guitar pick necklaces (guitar pick punch, gift cards)
- Pipe cleaners and googly eyes to make creatures
- Paracord survival bracelets
- Deconstructed t-shirts
- Tech take apart
- Retro gaming day (with staff donations)

- Will it waffle?
- Moon phase art (cardstock covered with duct tape, cut out shapes, acrylic paint)
- Zine making
- Blackout poetry with discarded books
- Pokemon craft
- Scavenger hunt lock-in (hunt for pokemon)
- Pokemon paper plate
- Discarded book art with shoebox lids
- Hair braiding
- Miniature masterpieces
- Hedgehog paper folding
- International candy taste testing
- Fear factor food
- Button making
- What do you meme?
- Fortnite program
- Trivia

3:00 PM Break and Tour

3:20 PM Ask a Teen Services Librarian

Back by popular demand, you'll have the chance to submit questions or problems anonymously and the group will try to come up with solutions

- When do you cancel a program when nobody or one person consistently comes?
 - Keep doing it as long as one person is coming.
- What is a tween and what else can we call them?
 - 11/12 year olds or 5th-7th grade
- How much do you care about copyright?
 - To an extent. When advertising use Pixabay, Unsplash, Canva, etc.
- What do you say to people who want their younger child to come to teen programs?
 - Tell them we plan age-appropriate programs

- Tell them that teens need to socialize with each other and a younger child will make that harder
- How do you deal with disappointment when your favorite teen patron gets kicked out for being inappropriate?
 - Tell them you are looking forward to seeing them tomorrow when they come back.
- How do you make a decision to weed a series when only part of it circulates?
 - Keep the first 2 or 3 and if people want more get it from another library.
 - Weed the whole series if the first book circulates but the rest don't, because it's an indication that the first one wasn't that good.
- How do you stay organized and remember everything you need to do?
 - Notes pinned up at desk
 - Calendar
 - Trello or Clickup (project management software)
 - Google tasks
 - Bullet journal
- Teen Advisory Board?
 - Ask them to come when you see them in the library or at your programs.
 - Make it official and formal and connect it to college.
- How do you avoid burnout?
 - Go to conferences.
 - Talk to people who do what you do.
 - Don't always go above and beyond.
- How do you make 12 or 13 year olds move from youth to teen?
 - Try to bridge the gap between youth and teen programs to make them more comfortable.
- Has anyone used teens to teach classes?
 - NHS students help tweens with homework
 - Lead craft programs
- How do you get after-school teens to behave and be respectful?
 - One verbal warning before they are kicked out
 - Ask police to do a walkthrough
 - Book: *The Black Belt Librarian*

4:12 PM Fave Raves

Children of Blood and Bone, Tomi Adeyemi
Skyward, Brandon Sanderson
Damsel, Elana K Arnold
Lies You Never Told Me, Jennifer Donaldson
Throne of Glass Series, Sarah J Maas
Truly Devious, Maureen Johnson
The Belles, Dhonielle Clayton
Illuminate Files, Amie Kaufman and Jay Kristoff
Vincent and Theo, Deborah Heiligman
A Reaper At the Gates, Sabaa Tahir
The Poet X, Elizabeth Acevedo
Sadie, Courtney Summers
Wildcard, Marie Lu
Check Please, Ngozi Ukazu

4:23 PM Adjournment

Our next meeting:

Friday, March 8, 2019 at 1:30 pm
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25320 W. 6 Mile Rd, Redford, MI 48240
Phone: 313-531-5960
Website: <http://www.redfordlibrary.org/>