

## YAACS Quarterly Meeting

<b>Date/Time:</b>	Monday, Sept 11, 7:00 – 8:00 pm
<b>Location</b>	Call-In Meeting
<b>Present:</b>	Sarah Harrison (Chair, Greater Victoria Public Library), Colleen (Vancouver Island Regional Library), Kate Longley (Vice Chair, North Vancouver City Library), Jennifer Streckmann (Secretary, Vancouver Public Library)
<b>1. Committee/Rep. updates:</b>	<p>a. <b>Positions Update:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Please welcome: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Brittany Mardon – Website and Social Media Admin</li> <li>Marianne Huange – YAACS Award</li> <li>Nikky McCarvill &amp; Kate Wood – Cont. Ed Coordinators.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Membership Secretary position to be retired. This position is outdated and is no longer needed. Back in the day this member would send out the mail, but this isn't how we work anymore. We have a strong membership at 97 members, and can continue to provide meaningful opportunities for everyone.</li> </ul> <p>c. <b>Teen Librarians Using Listserv</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Teen Librarians, please start using the general listserv for your communication. The listserv is not overused, so this is a perfect forum for communicating ideas with others. Please do mind including everyone in long chains, perhaps the sender could summarize the content and send one out to the whole list.</li> <li>• We may want to come up with some standardized subject lines in the future.</li> </ul> <p>d. <b>YSI Survey</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overall, the feedback was very positive and supportive. Respondents indicated they were satisfied overall with the event and would attend again. The lightning talks stood out as they worked really well, and you'd like to see more rapid talks about library programing from library staff. Connecting and opportunities to talk was very valuable and you'd like more time allocated for that.</li> <li>• If we go ahead and do another one there would be a need to recruit more people. If you have any ideas yourself or know other people who may be a good fit you can start thinking about contributing.</li> <li>• Unsure if were going to go ahead with it at this point, as there are a lot of financial issues to work out, but it definitely seems like it's needed and wanted and we do want to bring it back in 2018.</li> <li>• From the feedback, which isn't extensive, it's difficult to see what people want to see more of. One person mentioned tech programs for school age kids that work. One thing that's come up is the idea of having the speaker focus around middle years. We would love some ideas about local speakers. The person we're</li> </ul>

	<p>thinking of is really great at TPL – they’ve created a middle years framework which is something I think a lot of libraries in BC are looking to do. It’s also a timely topic because of the new curriculum. (Kate)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We need to get the videos uploaded to our YouTube account – Jen volunteered.</li> </ul> <p>e. <b>Continuing Education</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The puppet party videos are on our YouTube page now (4 parts). Discussion around a possible ukulele workshop in the late fall. <a href="https://www.youtube.com/user/YAACSweb/videos">https://www.youtube.com/user/YAACSweb/videos</a></li> <li>• Vancouver Island Professional Development Survey is closing soon and results are forth coming.</li> </ul> <p>f. <b>Red Cedar Liaison:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Red Cedar website will be updated for 2017/2018 by mid-month September. The posters are already available at <a href="https://www.redcedaraward.ca/group-leader-resources/posters/">https://www.redcedaraward.ca/group-leader-resources/posters/</a></li> <li>• Historically Red Cedar has been open to voting by groups, but there is talk now of opening it up so anyone who wants to can vote as long as they’re in grades 4-7. Meeting in October to flesh that idea out. Website is being put together with the view that things will continue the way they have been with group voting.</li> <li>• 25 nominated titles: 12 fiction, 13 non-fiction.</li> <li>• Updates will be posted on Twitter and Instagram to get the word out. Patricia will also post on the list serv.</li> </ul> <p>g. <b>BCLA</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Next BCLA conference in May in Richmond – hopefully we can work collaboratively towards some joint conference presentations to submit for next year.</li> </ul>
<p><b>2. Ongoing Discussion:</b></p>	<p>a. <b>Inclusivity: what we learned at YSI + how to build on these ideas</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• When we went to the Interlink public library day at the PNE, Jennifer Lee (VPL) put together this awesome sensory area, which had all different things kids could touch and play with. Maybe it would be fun to do some kind of sensory day. The program was really DIY as well – glitter, beads, conditioner in plastic. (Kate)</li> <li>• Sensory toys – link to Halloween? Slime? GVPL does offer sensory storytime and is always looking for different ideas.</li> </ul> <p>b. <b>BCLA Conference</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support one another with conference presentations and proposals. The BCLA board meeting is coming up in 2 weeks, and Sarah will be sitting in.</li> <li>• We can start thinking about how we might be able to connect with one another. Perhaps a panel presentation? Supporting one another in writing the proposals and then getting some presentations submitted.</li> <li>• In the past there has always been someone from YAACS</li> </ul>

	reviewing the submissions in December. Sarah wont be able to go, Patricia is potentially interested, Kate is back-up.
<b>Next Meeting:</b>	<b>Meeting dates: December 11, March 5, AGM at BCLA in May</b>
<b>Adjournment:</b>	<b>Meeting adjourned 8:00pm</b>