

Youth Services Advisory Council
April 12, 2013

Upper Hudson Library System
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
Small library concerns discussion group 9:00 - 10:00

Attendees: Mary Fellows UHLS, Joyce Laiosa VOOR, Barbara Goetschius RCSC, Mindy Fowler SNLK, Judith Wines ALTM, Lee Ricci APLM, Lisa Neuman MEND, Molly Chatt EGRN, Dave Cole COLN, Carol Roberts TROY, Beth Rienti GUIL, Lee Ackerman-Sawyer WSTR, Kim Graff RVLL, Kathy Stempel BERN.

AGENDA

Welcome and introductions

UHLS updates

- April 18 science training at Guilderland reminder
- May 6 Wakanheza workshop at EGRN – free to UHLS members
- Grants underway; have got Jeff Boyer's commitment to be program presenter for STEM-Sell (family literacy) grant. He'll be doing math programs for this summer's libraries

Little d Award shortlist final input

Group selected:

Bird and Squirrel On the Run. James R. Burks

Flying Beaver Brothers and the Evil Penguin Plan

Captain Underpants and the Terrifying Return of Tippy Tinkletrousers

Lunch Lady and the Picture Day Peril or Lunch Lady and the Mutant Mathletes (Mary will check both and decide)

Alvin Ho: Allergic to Dead Bodies, etc.

Updating your collection of series books before the summer

The group discussed popular series that will need refreshing before high demand in summer.

Disability awareness refresher

The group focused on this topic through assessing Your Library, considering special needs volunteers, and recent materials

Sticky summer customer service issues

Three scenarios were dissected.

Writing a career obituary

Mary provided a handout designed to help individuals think about what they want to accomplish in their work lives.

GREAT READS/LISTENS/VIEWS

Elephants Can Paint Too

One Gorilla

Toilets of the World

Underwater Dogs

A is for MuskoX

The Girl Who Circumnavigated Fairyland series

Flavia DeLuce series (fantastic audios) by Alan Bradley

News from you/you name it

APL has CMOST-CNSE do a solar power program, which was fabulous. (CMOST = <http://cmost.org/>)

Barbara G shared a terrific early literacy game that RCS has purchased. More at www.learningprops.com

The idea of a system-wide storytime calendar arose. Mary has explored it, and will pursue it again more actively.

Reminder: request Advance Reader Copies from UHLS (to keep!) at <http://horizon.uhls.lib.ny.us/cgi-bin/reports/arc.pl>

Next meetings: May 6 Wakanheza Workshop, June 14

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