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If other, please describe :

Name of Group : Hub Advisory Board

Chair's Name : Gretchen Kolderup

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Board Liaison : Nick Buron

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement : The Hub Advisory Board participates in the development and maintenance of the Hub and follows the guidelines for the site as set out by the YALSA Board of Directors. The Advisory Board also serves in an advisory capacity to the Member Manager of the site and assists with the collection of content for the site, generates ideas for content, works on getting teen and librarian input and feedback, facilitates marketing ~~and PR~~, and writes for the site as needed.

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months? : * Introduced new kinds of content on the blog, including some more creative pieces (like Joel Bruns's "DIY YA"), more teen contributions, and a story summarizing contest

* Highlighted all of the Nonfiction and Morris shortlist titles (and authors) before the announcement of the winners of the awards

* Live and wrapup coverage of Midwinter and the YMAS

* Recruitment of more regular bloggers

* Started properly following policy of not reviewing non-YALSA-recognized titles

* Currently planning a reading challenge akin to those hosted by other YA book bloggers that will highlight YALSA's Best of the Best lists

* Currently highlighting YALSA's selected lists and lists and awards given by ALA affiliates and divisions that recognize YA lit

Which goals listed in the YALSA Strategic Plan were addressed? :

Marketing

Continuous Learning

Member Recruitment and Engagement

Which strategies were used for the above action areas? :

Publication

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-Work with YALSA's Communications Specialist to promote the Road Trip to library school students and faculty via a variety of means including email, listservs, articles, and blog posts.

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Board Liaison : Priscille Dando

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement : The YALSAblog Advisory Board's function is to support the Member Manager to ensure that the blog is relevant, innovative and meeting member needs for information about

YALSA and the young adult librarianship profession. The Advisory Board participates in the maintenance of the blog and works within the guidelines for the site as set by the

YALSA Board of Directors. The Advisory Board also serves in an advisory capacity to the Member Manager of the blog and assists with the collection of content for the site;

generates ideas for direction and content; helps obtain, analyze and use member and library community feedback about the site; assists with marketing as needed; and writes

for the blog when requested by the manager.

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months. : 2

Member Participation : No concerns.

Additional Concerns or Comments :

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report? : Yes
If other, please describe :

Name of Group : MAE Award Jury

Chair's Name : Joella Peterson

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Board Liaison : Priscille Dando

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement : To promote the MAE Award for a Young Adult Reading or Literature Program and solicit applications; and to annually select a recipient, when a suitable winner is indicated.

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months? : We read all the MAE Award applications and voted/commented on which one we thought should win. Once a winner was chosen I wrote the draft of the press release and turned it into YALSA.

Which goals listed in the YALSA Strategic Plan were addressed? :

Marketing

Member Recruitment and Engagement

Which strategies were used for the above areas? :

Publication

Collaboration

Other (Please explain)

Additional Concerns or Comments :

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report? : Yes

If other, please describe : One jury member suggested linking the press releases to the MAE Award website so that future MAE applicants would know ~~was~~ was done in the past and also get ideas from successful programs. YALSA already linked Allison Cabaj's press release on the webpage. Hopefully this will help future YALSA members be inspired as well as apply once they do their great literature programs!

Name of Group : Strategic Planning Committee

Chair's Name : Priscille Dando

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Board Liaison : n/a

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement : To work with the YALSA Board ~~through~~ through the strategic planning process and in between planning cycles, including but not limited to: connect with members to ensure an inclusive planning process, monitor the implementation strategy for the current strategic plan, to communicate the goals ~~of~~ of the plan and the planning process to the general membership and to official member groups, and to encourage members and member groups to take an active role in helping YALSA achieve its goals.

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work ~~in~~ in the past three months? : The new strategic plan was approved by the Board. The article, YALSA's Driving Force: Strategic Planning for the Future was published in the Winter issue of YALS, discussing the process for determining a new plan and the differences ~~between~~ between the previous and current plan. The new plan was publicized through a press release, YALSA-News and blog posts. The committee held a conference call to revise the application and process for the Great Ideas contest, and made a plan for ~~publicity~~ publicity on the way.

Which goals listed in the YALSA Strategic Plan were addressed? :

Member Recruitment and Engagement

Which strategies were used for the above action areas? :

Publication

Outreach

What is your group's workplan for the next three months? ~~The~~ The committee is posting weekly blog articles focusing on a single goal of the plan in order to bring attention to both the plan and the Great Ideas contest. There have also been notices in YALSA-News, on the Facebook page and tweets. Posts will be included in discussion lists as well. The committee will evaluate applications and determine a winner.

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- * Planned for activities at Midwinter
- * Sold PrintzCalendars at Midwinter
- * A few Committee members helped to staff the ALA Member Booth at Midwinter
- * Met at Midwinter and discussed the ways to help get the word out about FOY, FAC, and giving to YALSA
- * Submitted an article to YALS (written by Commit member Priscille Dando) about FOY and FAC and giving to YALSA. Scheduled to appear in the spring issue.
- * Planned for getting the word out for the Booze for Books April 12 event
- * Began getting the word out on Booze for Books with a blog post, develop of a Google Map, creation of a Pinterest Board.

Which goals listed in the YALSA Strategic Plan were addressed? :

Marketing

Member Recruitment and Engagement

Which strategies were used for the above action areas? :

Publication

Outreach

Collabroration

What is your group's workplan for the next three months? : Over the next three months we plan to:

- * Continue to get the word out about Booze for Books
- * Continue to get the word out about giving to FOY, BFT, etc. via YALSAblog posts, articles in association monthly-ews, etc.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA publications in the next three months? : N/A

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months. : 2

Member Participation : N/A

Additional Concerns or Comments : I am think(c)-5e14.14 337.85 Tm [()r3r[(t)--2(ek2()1l-3(s)4(c)7(i)-2n)

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report? : Yes

If other, please describe : N/A

Name of Group : 2012 Nominating Committee

Chair's Name : Linda W. Braun

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Board Liaison : Sarah Flowers

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement : To recruit, vet and select candidates for the 2012 election of YALSA Officers, Directors and certain Award Committee Members. When building the slate, strive to seek out the most qualified individuals as well as provide for broad representation, including but not limited to representation of the membership by: diverse background, type of library, special interest, and geographic location. To assist candidates in preparing for the election, including but not limited to planning and implementing a Candidates' Forum at the 2012 Midwinter Meeting in Dallas.

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months? : During the past quarter the 2012 Nominating Committee:

- * Planned for, publicized (on YALSA lists, the association enews, and the YALSAblog) the Coffee with the Candidates at Midwinter
- * Developed a set of questions to be asked of the governance candidates and used those questions in audio interviews recorded at Midwinter. The interviews were posted on the YALSAblog in late January
- * Developed a set of interview questions for award candidates and sent out the questions to each of those candidates. These interviews are now being posted on the YALSAblog. The postings started the week of February 3 and will continue through the week of February 20. Each day of the week a different interview with an award candidate is posted. The first week was interviews with Excellence in Nonfiction candidates, the second week is interviews with Edwards Award candidates, and the final week is interviews with Printz candidates.
- * Began posting weekly on the YALSAblog about the election. Committee members came up with a list of themes for the postings and each week different members are writing and publishing. Themes include get out and vote, what people do in governance positions in YALSA, and what the work of awards committee members is like.
- * Worked with Mairead Duff

speaking somewhat to a sense of disengagement and also some continued misunderstandings about what participation in YALSA requires.

Which goals listed in the YALSA Strategic Plan were addressed? :

Advocacy

Marketing

Member Recruitment and Engagement

Which strategies were used for the above action areas? :

Publication

Outreach

Collaboration

What is your group's workplan for the next three months? : The work of the Nominating Committee will continue through the election as we will continue to help get word out on the importance of voting. We plan to put together a Google Map so that those who vote can help with participation on the map and hope that this will help to spur some members on.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA publications in the next three months? : N/A

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past ~~three~~ months. : 2

Member Participation : N/A

Additional Concerns or Comments : N/A

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report? : Yes

If other, please describe : N/A

Name of Group : President's Program Planning Committee

Chair's Name : Sarah Couri

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Board Liaison : Sarah Flowers

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement : To plan, organize and present the YALSA Annual Conference.

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months? : We've finalized

awareness of both the program and the video contest. We've also made a reservation for lunch after the program for the speakers, presidents, etc.

Which goals listed in the YALSA Strategic Plan were addressed? :

Advocacy

Continuous Learning

Member Recruitment and Engagement

Which strategies were used for the above action areas? :

Program

Outreach

Collaboration

What is your group's workplan for the next three months? : Tessa Michaelson and I have worked out a detailed publicity plan with ALSC publicity. We are going to work with the YALSA and ALSC blog, twitter, YALS, and other resources to spread the word about the program and the video contest.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA publications in the next three months? : N/A

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months. : 2

Member Participation : N/A

Additional Concerns or Comments :

Were you able to touch base with your board since your last report? : Yes

If other, please describe :

Name of Group : Selected List & Awards Changes Evaluation Taskforce

Chair's Name : Pam Spencer Holley

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Board Liaison : Sarah Flowers

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement : Create a set of evaluation tools then use them to measure the overall success and impact of the following changes: 1) narrowing the BBYA list to fiction; 2) increasing the number of recommended adult titles through publication of the official nominees from the Alex Award Committee and 3) establishment of the Nonfiction Award and publication of its list of official nominees. The evaluation will include feedback from current and previous members of the BFYA, Alex and Nonfiction Committees, an analysis of the appropriate

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2010 and 2011 lists and awards (BBYA, BFYA, Alex, Nonfiction) as well as feedback from the library community about the degree to which these resources are effective readers and collection development tools. The taskforce chair will submit quarterly updates and a final report which discusses findings

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months? : The final report of the task force was submitted to the YALSA Board in December, 2011. At Midwinter a motion was accepted by the Board to establish a task force to write a chair manual for the Excellence in Nonfiction Award Committee. Our work is complete.

Outreach

What is your group's workplan for the next three months? In the coming months, the group will reflect on the grant publicizing and reviewing process, and oshare these notes with the YALSA office to support updates the grant review process to reflect the new YALSA Research Agenda.

We will continue to pub

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Member Editor of the journal by assisting with the solicitation of contributors and articles as well as generating ideas for topical articles or themes, when needed from the Member Editor.

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months? : Frances Harris (chair) stood in for editor Sandra Hughes at the ALA Midwinter YALSA Research Forum.

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Additional Concerns or Comments : Please let me know if I should resubmit the request for ac so the Board receives it from the Research Journal Advisory Board as well as the Research Committee.

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report? : Yes

Marketing

Which strategies were used for the above action areas? :

Publication

Outreach

What is your group's workplan for the next three months? : * Finalize Books for Teens application.

* Post application materials on YALSA website.

* Advertise availability of funds in various online and print publications.

* Review applications and begin selecting fund recipients.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA publications in the next three months? : * Final application

* Promotional materials advertising application

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months. : 3

Member Participation : Had a few flakts on deadlines from committee members around Thanksgiving in the gear

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* Allison (chair) will contact the YALSA podcast creators to see if there will be an episode devoted to the upcoming Annual Conference. If so, we will plan to arrange a brief interview to promote YALSA's activities at Annual and talk up the Orange County area as a desirable destination.

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months. : 2

Member Participation : All members have participated on our online chat meetings. Members assigned to contribute blog posts have done so in a timely fashion, and have contributed quality

Outreach

Collaboration

Other (Please explain)

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- Event specific Answer sheets and cover folders were created and emailed (as an attachment) to Nichole Gilbert two weeks prior to the event. Nichole had copies printed and shipped to Dallas.
- A PowerPoint slide presentation to be used with AV equipment and a shorter script for the MC and judges were created by taskforce Chair and emailed (as attachments) to Nichole Gilbert, Chris Vaccari (MC), and all taskforce members one week prior to event.
- Taskforce Chair printed an appropriate number of copies of the script and brought them to Midwinter along with her personal laptop to be used during the event (for the PowerPoint).
- Prize bags for each member of the winning team and attendance gifts for all participants were contributed by YALSA and put together by Nichole Gilbert.
- Five out of six taskforce members attended Midwinter and met with Chris Vaccari on Friday afternoon Jan 20, 2012 (from 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm) to review PowerPoint and MC script; two errors were found in PowerPoint but corrected by Chair before the event.
- Taskforce members, Chris Vaccari, and Nichole Gilbert arrived at the event location by 7:00 pm, an hour before starting time, for final preparations.
- The room had been set up by the hotel staff as requested with 15 tables (10 chairs each), AV projection equipment, and a podium with a mic.
- But there was no specific table set aside for the taskforce members/judges, which could have been a problem if all 15 tables had been used by trivia players.
- The refreshments (cookies & dessert bars) and cash bar, provided by the hotel, were fresh and nicely placed on tables & a bar in the back of the room.
- The 'YA Lit Trivia Night FUNdraiser' was held Friday, Jan 20 from 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm, during ALA Midwinter 2012 in Dallas, TX.
- The taskforce members acted as judges during the event itself, grading team Answer sheets and keeping score.
- Members of YALSA Board attended and assisted during the event; this show of support was very much appreciated by the taskforce members.
- Chris Vaccari performed admirably as the quizmaster/MC, keeping the event moving along and providing entertaining 'suspense' for the participants.
- There were nine teams at the Trivia event; 2 teams with 10 members, 1 team with 2 members, 2 teams consisting of 6 members, the other four teams had from 5 to 8 members each.
- According to the scores for each round of trivia, it appeared that the questions were neither too difficult or too easy.

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What is your group's workplan for the next three months? : The task force will complete the evaluation of the Dollar General Summer Reading Intern Grants and submit them to the YALSA office by March 9.

We will continue to provide a summer reading tip to each YALSA News.

Jennifer Fairchild has volunteered to moderate the April YA Forum, which will cover summer reading programs.

The task force will continue to work on creating a webinar on summer reading programs.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA publications in the next three months? : We will continue to provide a summer reading tip to each YALSA News.

Jennifer Fairchild has volunteered to moderate the April YA Forum, which will cover summer reading programs.

The task force will continue to work on creating a webinar on summer reading programs.

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months. : 1 Accomplished Exceedingly Well

Member Participation : Everyone has been completing their tasks as assigned and is contributing to the work of the committee.

Additional Concerns or Comments :

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report? : Yes

If other, please describe :

Shannon Peterson

Name of Group : Guidelines for Public Libraries Task Force

Chair's Name : Katherine Trouern-Trend

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Board Liaison : Shannon Peterson

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement : YALSA Guidelines for Public Libraries Task Force will develop a full set of guidelines for physical and virtual teen spaces in public libraries. This document will present an overarching set of policies that advises the library community about how teen spaces should be developed for optimal benefit to young adults in our communities.

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months? : In December, task force members incorporated feedback from the public comment period into the final draft of the Guidelines which was submitted in mid December.

Which goals listed in the YALSA Strategic Plan were addressed? :

Research

Continuous Learning

Member Recruitment and Engagement

Which strategies were used for the above action areas? :

Publication

Outreach

Collaboration

What is your group's workplan for the next three months? : Our Task Force completed it's objectives and this is the final report.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA publications in the next three months? : Once official word is given as to the Board decision, the Task Force will create a summary of the project and process for YALSA news and other publications as desired.

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months. : 1 Accomplished Exceedingly Well

Member Participation : Members were contacted to give a firm commitment availability for work on the final draft due to some issues with member communication earlier on ie not responding or missing deadlines. We were able to finish the final draft on time due to the diligence and commitment of task force members.

Additional Concerns or Comments :

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report? : Yes

If other, please describe :

Name of Group : Morris 2012

Chair's Name : Teri Lesesne

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Board Liaison : Shannon Peterson

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement : The William C. Morris YA Debut Award celebrates the achievement of a previously unpublished author, or authors, who have made a strong literary debut in writing for young adult readers. The work cited will illuminate the teen experience and enrich the lives of its readers through its excellence, demonstrated by:

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months? : We did our shortlist of Morris Finalists by the deadline. We met at Midwinter and selected our winning title: WHERE THINGS COME BACK by John Corey Whaley.

Which goals listed in the YALSA Strategic Plan were addressed? :

Marketing

Continuous Learning

Which strategies were used for the above action areas? :

Collaboration

What is your group's workplan for the next three months? : I will work with Nichole Gilbert about some issues as they pertain to self published or small press books, particularly those only available for purchase or in Kindle editions.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA publications in the next three months? : This award is still relatively new. Other than a possible bookmark, there is not a potential for publications at this point.

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months. : 1 Accomplished Exceedingly Well

Member Participation : All members were present for the meetings and participated online in the discussion leading up to the our FTF meetings.

Additional Concerns or Comments :

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report? : Yes

If other, please describe :

Name of Group : Popular Paperbacks for Young Adults

Chair's Name : Valerie Davis

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Name of Group : Readers Choice Taskforce
Chair's Name : Sarah Debraski
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Which goals listed in the YALSA Strategic Plan were addressed? :

Marketing

Continuous Learning

Which strategies were used for the above action areas? :

Publication

Collaboration

What is your group's workplan for the next three months? : Continue to assist with article reviews

Which goals listed in the YALSA Strategic Plan were addressed? :

Advocacy

Marketing

Member Recruitment and EngagementEngageme

Which goals listed

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Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months. : 1 Aster Exceedingly Well

Member Participation : Excellent committee members. All worked hard and contributed in a highly professional manner.

Additional Concerns or Comments :

Member Participation : Excellent participation from all task force members.

Additional Concerns or Comments : None

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report? : Yes

If other, please describe :

Name of Group : Teen Read Week
Chair's Name : RoseMary Honnold
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Board Liaison : Chris Shoemaker

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement : To assist with the planning and implementation of a weeklong national initiative that gives libraries the opportunity to encourage their teens to read for the fun of it.

Committee responsibilities include: Developing content for the Teen Read Week web site such as professional resources for YA librarians, program and display ideas and lists of recommended resources; promoting Teen Read Week through efforts such as: contributing items to appropriate magazines, blogs, etc. to the library, education and literature fields and/or offering conference programs and publications as appropriate; assisting staff with the selection of an annual theme.

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months? Mr. Beth Yoke and Stephanie Kuenn assigned the task of creating a themed Teen Read Week Manual. RoseMary Honnold emailed the committee members with assignments and instructions on November 25, 2011. We formed 4 teams, each working on one of the issues assigned to us: Advocacy, Programming, Display, and Reading Lists.

December and January: Committee members created a Google Doc for each section and contributed to their sections.

February: All committee members reviewed all sections and added data. RoseMary Honnold

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What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA publications in the next three months? : The Teen Read Week Manual.

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months. : 2

Member Participation : The committee members took the initiative to work in Google Docs, which

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Then we will be focusing on the Ning and print and online publications to highlight the conferences offerings. We plan to do author interviews and feature exiting news on the Ning to get people connected.

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A secondary factor was the increase in adult submissions. Of the 300 titles submitted in 2011, 22, or 7.3%, were adult. These adult titles accounted for 10% of the workload, because they were on

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What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months? : A First Draft document was sent to the YALSA board by December. The document was discussed by the board at annual, and some changes were made.

The Social Media Policy was introduced at the YALSA webinars in early February as a work still in progress.

Which goals listed in the YALSA Strategic Plan were addressed? :

Advocacy

Continuous Learning

Member Recruitment and Engagement

Which strategies were used for the above action areas? :

Collaboration

What is your group's workplan for the next three months? : Once we get a draft with changes back from YALSA, we can regroup and submit a 2nd draft document.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA publications in the next three months? : None.

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months. : 2

Member Participation : None

Additional Concerns or Comments :

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report? : Yes

If other, please describe : The members of the task force wrote this document together with lots of feedback.

Name of Group : Wrestlemania Reading Challenge Jury

Chair's Name : Lyn Miller-Lachmann

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Board Liaison : Gail Tobin

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement : To plan and provide resources for ~~2012~~2011 Reading Challenge by updating and expanding the existing toolkit for Aug. 1 distribution; maintaining a page on the YALSA wiki; judging 27(t)-2(a)-2(n);

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What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months? : Our primary task this quarter was to judge the entries the preteens and teens submitted for the Wrestlemania Reading Challenge. Despite a ~~date~~ extension for participating libraries to submit the entries, our jury was able to determine regional winners and alternates within the time frame to announce the winners on the YALSA web site the second week in January. I still have the list of ~~alternates~~ in case regional winners cannot attend Wrestlemania 28 on April ~~May~~ 1.

We continued to promote reading through the creation of a ~~file~~ blast that advises Wrestlemania Reading Challenge participants on ways to encourage reading beyond this ~~program~~. The e-blast included the titles that the contestants in grade ~~6 and 7~~ 9-12 chose in their letters to wrestlers, along with select quotes promoting the books read.

At this point, we have completed all but one of the major tasks assigned ~~groups~~

Which goals listed in the YALSA Strategic Plan were addressed? :

Advocacy

Marketing

Continuous Learning

Which strategies were used for the above action areas? :

Program

Outreach

What is your group's workplan for the next three months? ~~Our~~ final task is to create the trivia questions that the regional winners will answer in a competition for ringside seats at Wrestlemania

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Additional Concerns or Comments : Because of the problem involving WWE and the prizes, deadlines had to be pushed back, some libraries didn't get the materials they requested and the participants complained to me. I forwarded those concerns on to the YALSA office but hope that we don't have any dissatisfied customers who think my jury or I am the cause of the problem, because we have all worked very hard and met our deadlines under difficult circumstances.

As chair of the jury, I would like to know if everything else is progressing as expected: notification of winners, travel arrangements being made, if alternates are needed, if there will be a program at the Annual Conference, if WWE is planning to sponsor the Reading Challenge in the future.

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report? : No

If other, please describe :

Sarajo Wentling

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What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months? : Nothing was required over and above our charge.

Which goals listed in the YALSA Strategic Plan were addressed? :

Marketing

Which strategies we used for the above action areas? :

Program

What is your group's workplan for the next three months? : Our group is officially done with our "work" but we are going to keep in touch in anticipation of the Printz Awards Ceremony at Annual in Anaheim. We will continue to work on marketing the award and getting the word out.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA publications in the next three months? : None at this time.

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months. : 1 Accomplished Exceedingly Well

Member Participation : None at this time.

Additional Concerns or Comments :

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report? : Yes

If other, please describe :

Name of Group : Teens' Top Ten

Chair's Name : Rachael Myers

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Board Liaison : Sarajo Wentling

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement : To facilitate the exchange of information and galleys of books published within the current and previous publishing years among the voting teen group members as well as the non-voting members; to annually prepare the "Teens' Top 10" list for Teen Read Week; and to coordinate the electronic vote. To assist with the collection and vetting of applications from libraries who wish to host an official reading group.

What were the outcomes or results of your working closely with Nichole Gilbert to get the committee ready to begin working on the Ten Years

to begin discussing the book and get feedback. Members had some concerns and I worked with Nichole to address those. We then held a second chat over google docs to begin brainstorming ideas for material that we could collect for the book. I sent the brainstorming notes to Nichole and from that she created a template that members could fill out for each of the ten books. Last week

members began signing up for the year that they will be responsible for and I sent them annotations if we had them. Committee members Elizabeth Hanisian and Clara Hendricks continue to regularly update the spreadsheets tracking both nominations sent to us from the galley groups and galleys being sent by publishers. They have done an excellent job keeping those up.

Which goals listed in the YALSA Strategic Plan were addressed? :

Marketing

Member Recruitment and Engagement

Which strategies were used for the above action areas? :

Outreach

Collaboration

What is your group's workplan for the next three months? : To begin work on the Ten Years of

We will continue to update the nominations and galleys spreadsheets. Nominations will close on March 15th. We will vet nominations for eligibility and determine the top 75 titles with the most nominations to create a survey for the galley groups to vote on their top 25.

When the vote ends, we will write annotations for the top 25 titles for the announcement in April.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA publications in the next three months? : We will share the top 25 nominated titles with annotations in April.

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months. : 1 Accomplished Excellent

Member Participation : Committee Members have all been very active and are following through with all tasks and participating in virtual discussions. I am having trouble reaching one last member to sign up for a year of the TTT book, but I will give a little more time to respond to my emails and phone call.

Additional Concerns or Comments :

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report? : Yes

If other, please describe

Christian Zabriskie

Name of Group : BWI/YALSA Collection Development Grant

Chair's Name : Sarah Wethern

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Board Liaison : Christian Zabriskie

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement : To select annually YALSA members who work in a public library and who work directly with young adults to receive the BWI/YALSA Collection Development Grant.

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months? : This committee chose two librarians, Erik Carlson of the White Plains Public Library in New York, and Cynthia Shutts of the White Oak Library District Romeoville Branch in Illinois to receive \$1,000 to replenish and to revitalize areas of their teen collections, from ebooks to buying e-books.

Which goals listed in the YALSA Strategic Plan were addressed? :

Advocacy

Marketing

Which strategies were used for the above action areas? :

Outreach

Collaboration

What is your group's workplan for the next three months? : A press release was written and published giving information about the winners of the grant. At annual, hopefully if the two librarians are able to attend, they will get recognition for their accomplishment in being awarded the grant.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA publications in the next three months? : A press release has been announced with the winners already and that is the main extent of publications this committee creates and disseminates.

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months. : 2

Member Participation : The original chair of this committee never got in contact with us so we were all scrambling come November of 2011 to make sure that this grant was announced and to then take the time to read through the applications. The committee worked well together however and everyone met the deadline of when to read the grants and give feedback.

Additional Concerns or Comments :

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report?

If other, please describe

Name of Group : YALSA Legislative Committee

Chair's Name : Carrie Rogers-Whitehead

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Board Liaison : Christian Zabriskie

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Topic: Quarterly Chair Reports

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement : To inform librarians and library workers who serve young adults of pending legislation which affects young adults and library service to that population; to provide librarians and library workers with tools and resources to help them educate elected officials and lobby for strong library services to teens; to liaise with the ALA Legislation Committee; and to provide support to the YALSA Board with developing an annual legislative agenda.

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months? : We rolled out the YALSA Advocate of the Month program. Promoted it through listservs, twitter, blogs, Facebook and it will be promoted with a YALS article in the spring issue. Michael Schor commented with the YALS article with me. We have received half a dozen nominees so far, we also have nominees that have been found by committee members. All the committee has helped with this project, finding nominees, marketing etc. Stephanie Kuenn has been vita

3. We will be bringing brochures to pass out at Annual 2012. I will bring these brochures to the YALSA booth at PLA. I have created the handout and the committee is currently looking over it.

4. Work on District Days promotion, continue updating the wiki

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA publications in the next three months? : There will be a YALS article in the spring about Advocacy and the Advocate of the Month Initiative.

We will promote NLLD through YALSA news and the YALSA blog.

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months. : 1 Accomplished Exceedingly Well

Member Participation : Mary Olive Thompson has resigned from the committee. Both has been notified about this.

Additional Concerns or Comments :

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report? : Yes

If other, please describe :

Name of Group : Website Advisory Committee

Chair's Name : Jessica Sullenberger

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Board Liaison : Christian Zabriski

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement : To regularly evaluate the YALSA website and to assist the YALSA staff with creating and maintaining content for members and nonmembers; to liaise with YALSA committees in the use of the website in their work for the Division; to liaise with the ALA Website Advisory Committee; and to develop and recommend policies for the YALSA Website to the YALSA Board.

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months? : In December, we evaluated the YALSA public wiki for possible edits and reorganization. We have presented our ideas for reorganization to Stephanie Kuenn. A survey link will be published in the YALSA e news this month, and we will use the feedback to make additional adjustments for changes before seeking approval to modify the wiki.

We have also been posting a tip of the week on YALSA in ALA regularly. Some weeks have passed without a posting, but we are mostly on top of the assignment.

Which goals listed in the YALSA Strategic Plan were addressed? :

Marketing

Member Recruitment and Engagement

Which strategies were used for the above areas? :

Collaboration

What is your group's workplan for the next three months? : We plan to work on the wiki and continue posting tips of the week through the rest of the year. We will create a help page, rework navigation, add a table of conte