**Youth Services Advisory Group: Agenda & Notes**

**December 2019**

NYLA Consultant’s Meeting playback

* Summer Reports
* Offerings from NYS: MyON (ebooks); Online registration software;

1000 Books Before Kindergarten--STLS Style—Showed pix of available materials

Family Literacy Library Services Project-

* Mentoring—working on this as requested at an earlier Advisory Group session

OMG Book Grant from First Book--grant written by Talking is Teaching Initiative

* Yates
* Schuyler
* Allegany

Winter Reading

* + READSquared--online registration software—available to be used by all NYS Libraries

Summer Thoughts from 2019 Evaluation

TWO libraries offered summer programming for the first time. One library began a storytime for birth -5.

* Prizes--Wish list for another year
  + Better/bigger prizes
  + Prizes for males given the 2020 theme
  + Experiential prizes
  + Tallying: Beads
  + More teens involved
  + Basket Raffles--popular; offers choices
* Partnering with area businesses
* New patrons; increase in participation; new library cards
* Offered the same program on 2 different days; patrons could choose to attend one or the other--choices;
* Better promotion and/or earlier promotion
  + Best place to promote?
  + Earlier school visits --perhaps May especially for teens
  + School visits combined with librarian as a ‘character’
  + Decorate the library earlier to ‘set the stage’ and build anticipation
* More Outreach and partnership with community agencies
  + Increase community participation
  + Coordination with summer recreation programs
* Happy that more kids participated in Hunger Solutions NY program --
* Changing times of programs from the “normal”--offering programs in the morning and the afternoon
* Focusing on ‘real’ people; encouraging kids to ‘imagine their story’ with programs and thoughts centered around What do I want to be? To do?
* Increase Self-directed programs

Summer Learning--March 4, 2020

* 2020 Plans
  + Workshop format
  + Hands On How-to Escape Room Demo
  + Survey Patrons--Guide for space; Connect with Lyndsie for overview of Best Practices;
  + Imagine your Story--Book Design as an activity--book-binding Tara
* Important Updates:
  + Graphics
  + USBs

Ongoing programming meet-ups via FB or F2F or ??????

Karin (MFL) quarterly meet-ups F2F is preferred

Programming share via online sources--calendars or FB group.

Some sort of program share is desired…..in person; on the web…..and, ????

2020 Advisory Group Dates:

Wednesday, January 22 9:30-11:30 AM

Thursday, May 7 11:00-2:00 PM

Monday, Sept 21 1:00-3:00 PM

Wednesday, Dec. 16 10:30-12:00 PM