**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