**Garden State Children’s book Award Committee Meeting**

**February 19. 2016**

**Woodbridge Public Library**

MINUTES

Attendees: Amy Behr, Jordan Bilodeau, Karen Bilton, Antonette D'Orazio, Judith Everitt, Jenna Galley, Kathy Hackler, Martha Liu, Nancy O'Grady, Audra Osorio, Ellen Pozzi, Robin Rockman, Juley Rodwogin, Dana Skwirut, Vicki Wright.

1. Welcome & Introductions – Meeting was convened at 10:05am, sign in sheet was passed around.

2. Approval of Minutes – corrections were made, Judy moved to accept, Robin seconded the motion. Minutes were approved.

3. Officers for 2015-2016 Committee

- Antonette D’Orazio and Jenna Galley, Co-Chairs

- Needed: Vice-chair & Secretary – Ellen asked for volunteers.

4. Dates & Location for 2016-2017 committee meetings

Old Bridge Library, Sept 23, Jan 27 (Feb 3 – snow), Feb 24 (March 3 – snow)

Ellen stated we need to double check dates in Sept to make sure there are no conflicts and have enough time to prepare for NJLA Conference

5. Updates:

a. CSS – Amy reported that officers are needed, please consider running. CSS and YA section are considering combining into one section, last meeting this was most of the discussion.

b. Luncheon – Rita Williams Garcia is the speaker, most likely no winners will be present to accept their awards, possibly videos might be shown from two winners.

c. Other – Urban Libraries Summit, March 5 at William Paterson University, for public and school libraries.

6. Volunteers for Conference and Luncheon – sheet going around

a. Set-up for GSCBA table on Tuesday – Ellen and Jenna will set up. Nancy will bring down the printed ballots.

b. Take down GSCBA table on Wednesday – Antonette and Jenna will take care of this.

c. Checking on table – Tuesday, May 17 (Jenna) and Wednesday, May 18 (Robin and Vicki)

d. Luncheon set-up @ 11:30 (Wed.) - Antonette, Juley and Jenna

e. Orientation and assistance for Luncheon speaker – Robin will do this.

f. Display Board – Antonette will update and Jenna will bring to conference on Tues.

g. Raffle Tickets – Ellen will bring

h. Baker and Taylor—Antonette will request giveaways from them again this year – 6 sets as usual.

7. Volunteers for 2016-2017 Committee Tasks:

a. Hospitality for 2016-2017 meetings.

Sept – Karen & Antonette

Jan – Nancy and Dana

Feb – Judith and Jordan

b. Volunteers for checking initial lists on regional library catalogs during the summer

BCCLS – Robin

Burlington Co – Jordan

Camden Co – Antonette

Hunterdon Co – Nancy

LMXAC – Juley

MAIN – Dana

Mercer Co – Martha

Monmouth Co – Kathy

Ocean Co – Karen

PALS – Jenna

Somerset Co – Judith

Eligibility Check – Ellen

c. Collection & organization of annotated bibliography & book talks

Volunteer to write them for ER – Dana and Antonette will do

Fiction (Juley), Fiction Series (Jenna), Nonfiction (Antonette)

Due to the collector by Monday, March 14.

Collectors must send them to Ellen by April 4.

Members are reminded that they have to write the booktalks and annotations they were the primary reader. Ellen will send out samples of how the booktalks and annotations should be formated. Antonette asked to make sure that the titles in the ballot are listed alphabetical by author. Ellen said ok.

d. Make a Word document and PDF file of all the book covers to put up online –

Karen will do and send to Ellen by March 28.

e. Make and distribute voting e-packets

Ellen will talk to Cassie about how this was done last year.

f. Setting up online voting

Audra will help Ellen set up website and online voting.

g. Presentations: NJASL (Nov. 17-19)

Ellen & Kathy will work ondoing this again.NJEA has denied us twice so Ellen will try again without using having “Garden State” in the title.

h. Promoting Award

Ellen asked members to try to find ways to present to schools and other venues. Ellen will look into see if Novelist and Accerated Reader will list GSCBA winners on their sites.

8. The ballot is as follows:

9. Around the table – No comments were shared.

The meeting was adjorned at 4:30pm.