**NJLA Young Adult**

**Friday January 20, 2017**

**10:00 – 10:15am, coffee & networking,**

**10:15am – business meeting**

**Hosting Library: South Brunswick Public Library**

Meeting called to order at 10:12am

Introductions

**2016-17 Executive Board**

Saleena Davidson, President/ Teen Librarian at South Brunswick Public Library

Rosy Wagner, Vice President/ Young Adult Librarian at Burlington County Library System

Keisha M. Miller, Secretary/ Teen Librarian & Volunteer Coordinator at South Orange Public Library

Kristen Churchill (Anderson), Member-at-Large, Teen Librarian at West Orange Public Library

**Attendants**

1. Jamie Dunn, Info Services/ Barnegat Branch – OCL
2. Carolyn Aversano, Teen Services/ Jackson Branch – OCL
3. Colleen Affrime, Youth Services/ Jackson Branch – OCL
4. Danielle Sinai, Youth Services/ Camden County Library System
5. Jen Apgar, Youth Services/ NJ State Library – TBBC
6. Stephanie Smith, Youth Services/ Gloucester County library System
7. Sue Grotyohann, Monroe Township Public Library
8. Marueen Langley, YA/Ref/Franklin Township Library
9. Vicki Wright, Children’s/Teen/Cape May County Library System
10. Katie Salerna, YA Librarian/Bridgewater library
11. Janet Dunn, YA/Adult Librarian/Westwood Public Library
12. Emily Mazzoni, YA Librarian/Ocean County Library System
13. Pham Condello, Head of Youth Services/Old Bridge Public Library
14. Rosy Henderson (Wagner), YA Librarian/ Burlington County PL
15. Keisha M. Miller, Teen Librarian & Volunteer Coordinator/ South Orange PL
16. Kristen Churchill (Anderson), Teen Librarian/ West Orange PL
17. Saleena Davidson, YA Librarian/ South Brunswick PL
18. Sandi Cronce, Youth Services Librarian/Willingboro PL
19. Alanna Graves, Cape May County Library System

**Total in attendance: 19**

**Ongoing Business**

**NJLA Conference Updates** – Information about the conference sessions submitted by the Young Adult Services Section are here! We have some really interesting topics this year, and we're so excited to share them with you:

* **Volunteering Outside the Box for Teens & New Adults**- Virtual session on Monday, 4/24 Presented by: Keisha Miller, South Orange Public Library ; Kristen Churchill, West Orange Public Library ; Jessica Schneider, East Brunswick Public Library ; Saleena Davidson, South Brunswick Public Library
* **Get Hacked: How We Survived a 24-hour Teen Hackathon in the Library**- Regular session on Tuesday, 4/25, 11:30am-12:20pm Presented by: Melissa Brinn, Teen Services, Cherry Hill Public Library ; Melissa Brisbin, Head of Circulation, Livingston Public Library
* **Choosing Diversity: Evaluating and Selecting Titles for Your Library’s Collection**- Regular session on Tuesday, 4/25, 3:10-4pm Presented by: Sharon Rawlins, Youth Services Specialist, NJ State Library ; Liz Burns, Head of Readers and Youth Services, NJ State Library’s Talking Book and Braille Center ; Dr. Ellen Pozzi, Director, School Library Media Specialist Program, William Paterson University
* **Authors and Libraries: a Partnership for Literacy**- Regular session on Tuesday, 4/25, 4:10-5pm Presented by: Melanie Conklin, author of *Counting Thyme*; Laura Shovan, author of *The Last Fifth Grade of Emerson Elementary*; Marina Budhos, author of *Ask Me No Questions*
* **Full STEAM Ahead: Programs and Resources for Non-Tech Librarians**- Conversation Starter on Wednesday, 4/26, 11:30am-12:20pm Facilitated by: Doug Baldwin, Piscataway Public Library ; Erica Krivopal, Piscataway Public Library

Make sure to join us for the **Garden State Book Awards Luncheon** too, on Wednesday, 4/26, 12:30-2:20pm to honor this year's winners and see speaker Justina Ireland, author of *Promise of Shadows* and Book Riot contributor (<http://justinaireland.com/>).

**Announcements**

1. Alanna Graves of the Cape May County Library System will be relocating to Austin Texas. Good luck Alanna!
2. The YA Executive Board members are seeking to fill seats for the 2017-2018 year for the positions of:
3. Vice President
4. Secretary
5. Members-at-large

Please note: this announcement was made at the January 20th meeting. Since then, only a few responses were submitted. At the time of publishing the minutes for the meeting, the announcement was closed. A list of responsibilities can be located on the NJLA website under the Young Adult section-Executive Board Member duties.

**Garden State Teen Book Awards Deliberations**

Grades 6-8 fiction was discussed and the following titles have made it onto the ballot:

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| My Diary from the Edge of the World | Anderson, Jodi Lynn |
| The Thing About Jellyfish | Benjamin, Ali |
| Stella by Starlight | Draper, Sharon |
| Lost in the Sun | Graff, Lisa |
| Full Cicada Moon | Hilton, Marilyn |
| Ink and Ashes | Maetani, Valynne E. |
| Friends for Life | Norriss, Andrew |
| Orbiting Jupiter | Schmidt, Gary |
| Lumberjanes, Volume 1 and Volume 2 | Stevenson, Noel; Ellis, Grace; Watters, Shannon; Allen, Brooke |
| Nimona | Stevenson, Noelle |
| Goodbye Stranger | Stead, Rebecca |
| George | Gino, Alex |
| Circus Mirandus | Beasley, Cassie |
| The Marvels | Selznick, Brian |
| Awkward | Chmakova, Svetlana |
| Echo | Ryan, Pam Muñoz |
| Hoodoo | Smith, Ronald L. |
| Listen, Slowly | Lai, Thanhhà |
| Paper Hearts | Wiviott, Meg |
| Gone Crazy in Alabama | Williams-Garcia, Rita |

Meeting adjourned at 12:10pm, and Executive Board meeting will follow. See separate notes.