

Ionia County Library Association
Friday, December 8, 2023
Location: Lake Odessa Community Library

1. Meeting was called to order by Cory at 10:03 AM
 - a. Present: Cory (Portland), Dale (Ionia), Kerry (Clarksville/Saranac), and Jennifer (Lake Odessa)
 - b. Absent: Britney (Belding), Mattie (Lyons)
 - c. Also Present: ICLA Youth Librarians Deb (Lake Odessa), Julie (Ionia), Barbara (Belding), Eileen (Portland), Erin (Saranac/Clarksville), and Shanni (Ionia)
2. Approval of Agenda: motion made by Kerry, seconded by Jen, approved by all
3. Approval of Minutes (with minor changes): motion made by Kerry, seconded by Jen, approved by all
4. Public Comment: no public present
5. Treasurer's Report: nothing to add
6. ICLA Youth Report
 - a. Plans for 2024 BOTB
 - i. Location: Portland High School (provided at no charge)
 - ii. Grade changes to include only 4th & 5th graders
 - iii. Shortened rounds (30 seconds instead of a minute to answer)
 - iv. Family Feud Style
 - v. Signed Code of Conduct for each participant and guardian
 - i. 2024 Budget, not set for BOTB yet but will include medals and prizes
 - ii. 3 books each year, one graphic novel and 2 novels
 1. A Rover's Story by Jasmine Warga, Jacob McNatt, et al
 2. The Lost Library by Rebecca Stead and Wendy Mass
 3. Invisible by Christina Diaz Gonzalez and Gabriela Epstein
 - b. 1000 Books before Kindergarten, need bags, incentives provided by ICLA YS budget, Dale recommended the Ionia grant foundation
 - c. Directors approved providing ICLA YS with \$750 for 2024
 - d. Talking is Teaching/Great Start Ionia County partnership county-wide story walk at Sparrow Hospital in Ionia in Spring 2024
7. Unfinished Business
 - a. ICLA Promotional items to distribute at all libraries
 - i. Jen re-sending logo ideas to revisit ICLA logo
 - ii. Directors bring ideas to next meeting
 - b. On the Same Page 2024:
 - i. Narrowed down to 3 titles
 1. The Measure by Nikki Erlick
 2. The House is On Fire by Rachel Beanland
 3. The Lonely Hearts Book Club by Lucy Gilmore
 - ii. Meet January 19, 2024 at 10:00AM at Sozo's in Ionia to finalize
8. New Business
9. Sharing time
 - a. Saranac has walls, ceiling, construction going well, staff is excited about new break room
 - b. Ionia: Santa is coming on Monday, Dec 11
 - c. Lake Odessa: Santa parade Friday, Dec 8, with movie and popcorn, activities, Santa meeting children at the library, Friends handing out cookies and books

- d. Portland: grant with the school, will be hiring someone who can work both at the school and the library.
10. Motion to adjourn at 11:23 AM made by Kerry and seconded by Dale.

Next regular meeting: Friday, March 8, 2024 at 10:00 AM in Belding