

**Library Association of Rockland County (LARC) Adult Services Committee
Meeting Minutes
Friday, July 15, 2016
Nyack Library**

Present: Brian Jennings (New City), Carol Connell Cannon (Suffern), Amy LaRocca (Suffern), Ashley Maraffino (Valley Cottage), Sean Antonucci (Valley Cottage), Judy Joseph (Finkelstein), Anya Berg (Palisades), Rosemary Farrell (Nyack), Jane Marino (Nyack), Elizabeth Hobson (Nyack)

Brian Jennings called the meeting to order at 10:08am.

The meeting began with a presentation on Makerspaces by Elizabeth Hobson. She spoke about Nyack Library's initiative to convert an unused computer classroom into a makerspace.

Business meeting began at 11:02am.

Brian began with a review of the minutes from May. Carol moved to accept the minutes, Rosemary seconded.

Book of the Year Award

Brian gave an update on the progress made by the Book of the Year Award committee. The deadline for submissions is August 8. Guidelines for submissions: book must have been published in the last 3 years by a Rockland resident. There will most likely be one award with the winner being announced at next year's annual meeting. Requests for readers of submissions will be sent out. Readers must be librarians or retired librarians.

LARC Annual Meeting

Brian and Carol spoke about the annual meeting. The switch to a morning meeting resulted in a great turnout.

Pokémon Go

A discussion about the Pokémon Go app was had with people asking if anyone has or is planning to create Pokémon programming.

Meetings

A fall meeting date was set for September 23. A presentation will be made on museum passes.

Adult Services Chair

Electing a new adult services chair was tabled until September.

Around the Table

Anya (Palisades): Running an Artist's Way workshop for people who want to get back in touch with their creativity. Meets once a month.

Rosemary: Nyack Library is holding its first Maker Expo from 1-3pm on 7/17.

Brian: Will be on WRCR discussing local history books to read this summer. New City Library undergoing construction, building a patio area.

Amy: Suffern library recently added a museum pass to Boscobel and another pass to Storm King Art Center. The library is in the middle of its adult summer reading program and giving out prizes for reading, including: notebooks, pedometers, and water bottles.

Ashley and Sean: ValCon 2.0 happening on July 16 from 10-4. First meeting of VC Writes, writer's workshop was July 6. Will meet once a month.

Judy: Finkelstein library continuing its centennial planning. The library is also planning a renovation of one of its meeting rooms. Judy suggested LARC look into a coordinated calendar for the libraries of Rockland. Elizabeth spoke about a calendar aggregator company called Burbio.

The meeting concluded at 11:55am.

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley Maraffino, secretary