

Friends of the OES Libraries

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, December 5, 2017

Platt Global Classroom

In attendance: Rebecca Thompson (FOESL co-chair), Carol Bull (FOESL co-chair), Lara Ingham (OES Head Librarian & LS Librarian), Erika Jelinek (US Librarian), Elizabeth Hutchins, Kristen Crowell (and Myla), Lisa Goldberg

Minutes submitted by: Rebecca Thompson

Welcome & introductions

- We welcome new US Librarian Erika Jelinek!

Author visits:

- Adam Silvera visited 12/1
 - Participated in workshops, lunch, US assembly
 - Very engaging, generous with his time. Creative and open. Double the number of students signed up for second workshop (compared to first) after hearing him speak. Signed his books, was very approachable.
- Lara may have a free LS visit author available from Green Bean books in spring, will update at future meeting

Libraries:

- LS Library Assistant Alma settling in well, has Master's in Library Science and background in book sales, working on learning names and getting to know so many kids and families
- Erika reports that students have been adjusting reasonably well to using Farris Hall rather than library between school and sports practice from 5-6pm

Treasurer's report/finances (submitted in part by Julie via email):

- Beverly Shue memorial
 - FOESL has purchased 12 books in honor of Bev
 - An US student, Quattro Musser, designed a bookplate (pictured below) for this donation. (He will receive service hours for his work.) They look great!
 - Quattro and Noah Solomon helped choose the books, carefully applied the bookplates, and delivered them to the US library last Friday. Erika reports that they put a lot of time and effort into the project and she was very impressed with them.
 - The total amount for the memorial was \$226, \$24 under the amount designated. This balance was redesignated to Erika to be applied to the Silvera author visit.
- FOESL finances
 - As of 11/1, the FOESL account balance was \$3663
 - As agreed, FOESL had transferred \$1500 to the LS library in October for Kathryn Otoshi author visit
 - The remaining balance of the FOESL account (less the amount for Bev's memorial) was transferred to the US Library to support the Adam Silvera author visit

- As of 11/30, if all requests go as planned (they have been confirmed by Kathy Langley) the FOESL account balance is \$0, and will be closed
 - Julie will confirm this next month

GOBS updates:

- GOBS is scheduled to be held during the week of April 9th, to coincide with National Library Week; FOESL does not need to reserve any budget for this free event (no snacks this year)
- Confirmed middle school venue
- Schedule is expected to be the same as previous years, with book dropoff on Mon and Tues and student book selection on Wed and Thurs.
- Intention is for event to rotate to different spaces/divisions over subsequent years, to promote all-school inclusion. Was held in LS 2016, US 2017; plan MS 2018.

Lou Fernandez Literary Festival updates:

- Likely tabled for this year due to Chris Myers' departure
- While this event has lost its champion with Chris' departure, we all agree that we would like to preserve the spirit of it going forward, and will keep it on the table to discuss integrating into future activities. We are available as a resources for the LFLF committee to help and support their vision of how they want to honor Lou
- We will revisit this and what it might look like going forward at future meetings

Upcoming Meeting Dates (all planned for Platt Global Classroom, Tuesdays @ 8:10 am):

January 16, February 20, March 20, April 3, May 15

