

**Tahoe Truckee Reads**  
**March 3, 2016**  
**Summer Planning Meeting Notes**

**In attendance:** Carolyn Pretzer, Katie Jamison, Bensley, Deed Verutti, Alison Schwedner, Marco Mora, Teri Rinne, Candice Harris, Yesenia Ruelas, Rob Leri, Ruth Hall, Teresa Ketron, Tessa Waldon, Lissa Johnson, Sara Colborn, Kurt Williams, Laura Brown

**Overall Campaign** – Tahoe Truckee Reads efforts have been going since 2012. Tahoe Truckee was just honored for the third year in a row as a Pacesetter Community. This time for summer efforts - particularly for growing the number of low-income kids served.

Group discussion on summer efforts: What is working? Challenging? and Summer 2016.

**Working well/Information Share...**

- Afternoon time works best for neighborhood reading program, many kids go to Summer Scholars first, then neighborhood program.
- Tahoe Lake El summer library times – 6 weeks, AR available. Going to be open for summer 2016.
  - Ruff Reading at libraries works well.
  - Summer book lists (recommendations)
  - Incentives
- BGC grant received (regional) for reading efforts – focuses 1<sup>st</sup> -3<sup>rd</sup> grade.
- TTUSD literacy training for summer providers. Include ARC this time. (BCG, TDRPD, TCPUD, ARC) Would like to schedule again for early June. Will have Jess/Sydney follow up.
- “Guest Speakers” for neighborhood program – Carolyn shared she would have fire, police, League to Save Lake Tahoe....come speak to the kids.
- Peer Readers – Katie Jamison (Aim High) shared that the peer reading – older kids reading to younger kids worked well. She’d love to partner with any lake side programs to work that out. Contact Katie ([kjamison@ttusd.org](mailto:kjamison@ttusd.org)) as she coordinates service learning for middle school.
- “Read for the Win” (Olympics) is the national library theme for the summer.
- Truckee Library is starting a preschool summer program.
- Katie shared that Audible Books help with kids that need the extra support.
- Library partnerships working well where public libraries prep themed book boxes for summer camps. Match the themes of camp.
- NTFRC will continue story times.

**Items for Follow Up (and Challenges) ....**

- Scheduling conflicts with Summer Scholar kids and field trips with summer programs. BCG and Trudaca do field trips as part of their program which causes conflicts for kids who do SS in the morning. They either skip SS for the day to go on field trip or miss out since the group is already gone.

- **(Follow up: New summer camp principal to be made aware and talk with providers to see if we can find a solution.)**
- Rideout location needs more books.
  - **(Follow up: Once Kurt figures out storage, he will contact Laura, [exed@ttcf.net](mailto:exed@ttcf.net), for books.)**
- Truckee Elementary Library is looking into offering open hours during the summer for AR and book check out.
  - **(Follow Up: Sara/Val are looking into options.)**
- TTUSD is putting together a summer website with resources.
  - **(Follow up: Laura and Steve will connect so we can include community programs and also see about summer reading lists – including PreK.)**
- Summer flyer
  - **(Follow up: please send Laura your program details once finalized and Laura will put together flyer)**
- Suggestion - PreK summer program – could we incorporate pre-k kids into neighborhood program? (Some already do come with older siblings)
- Neighborhood programs:
  - Hennes Flats – Mary Berelson, Lissa Johnson
  - Truckee Pines/Riverview – SELS (Dana Seaborg)
  - Tahoe Vista – Carolyn Pretzer and ARC grad
  - Donner Creek Mobile Home Park – Laura following up with HBV

Thank you all for doing the work! We are seeing positive results in reading scores, especially from summer programming. Thank you!