



**Pennsylvania School Librarians Association
Annual Committee Report
For PSLA Business Meeting
May 5, 2018**

Date: 4/15/2018

Committee: Awards

Chairperson(s): Lauren Strohecker & Melissa Daugherty

Summary of Committee Accomplishments

- The committee evaluated and scored nominations for each of its principal awards.
- 2018 PSLA Award Winners are:
 - Distinguished Service: Nancy Latanision
 - Outstanding PA Author/Illustrator: Jordan Sonnenblick
 - “Me? A School Librarian?” Contest:
 - Emilia Cervantes, Cocalico Senior High School; Ginger Mickey, sponsoring librarian
 - Emily Miller, Bradford Area High School; Jeffrey Weiss, sponsoring librarian
 - Elsa Van Beek, Plum Senior High School; Kristen Rowe, sponsoring librarian
- PA Young Readers Choice Award
 - The committee met throughout the year to curate book lists for the 2018-19 program. The final list was distributed via the PSLA listserv, the schools listserv, and the website/wiki. Nominations are also open for next year’s list.
 - 210 schools submitted votes during the 2017-18 program.
 - 2018 winners are:
 - Grades K-3: *Mother Bruce*, by Ryan T. Higgins (4,235 votes)

- Grades 3-6: *Ghosts*, by Raina Telgemeier (2,318 votes)
- Grades 6-8: *Awkward*, by Svetlana Chmakova (511 votes)
- Young Adult: *The Sun is Also a Star*, by Nicola Yoon (292 votes)

Respectfully Submitted,
Lauren Strohecker and Melissa Daugherty
Co-Chairs, Awards Committee