



Wyoming Library Association
Executive Meeting
Le Gourmet, Holiday Inn
Sheridan, WY
10/4/03

Present: Laura Grott, Deb Kelly, Jennifer Mayer, Cynthia Twing, Lalia Jagers, Lesley Boughton, Katie Jones, Jan Segerstrom, Deb Bruse, Jo Winkel, Shari Haskins, Janet Meury, Patty Patterson, Valerie Roady, Diana Oedekoven, Mary Coffin, Carla Hardy, Marylou Bowles-Banks, Carol Brown, Kay Carlson, Susan Cuthbertson, Susan Simpson, and Carey Hartmann.

President Carey Hartmann called the meeting to order at 8:00am. Susan Cuthbertson declared a quorum.

Introductions were made by all present.

Laura Grott passed out notebooks to the new board members.

Corrections were made to the agenda:

1. time for out-going chairs to share information with incoming chairs
2. added to new business is a draft of a bill

Diana Oedekoven made a motion we accept the amended agenda and Marylou Banks seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Past chairs gave the following suggestions/tips to the in-coming chairs:

Mary Coffin and Laura mentioned the directory needs to be published in March, with invoices going out in November.

Valerie Roady loves the notebooks Laura passed out.

Katie Jones said the past reports and minutes are good for in-coming chairs.

Shari Haskins said to remember the past-chairs are also an important resource.

There was discussion of "what you wish someone would have done for you when you were in-coming vice chair for program council":

What are the expectations for programs?

Listen to your section.

Who comes to the meetings?

Have the big and continuing picture.

Look at how finances go and what can be spent for speakers.

Remember everyone is very helpful.

This is complex and very confusing when coming in new.

Past President is helpful to the in-coming president.

Talk to people who have planned programs before.

Carey mentioned to Lesley Boughton how wonderful and helpful Jill Rourke is. Jill set up the Patriot Act panel. She requested that the current council have a de-briefing in the next couple of weeks for the new council about 2003 WLA. Laura discussed the blue notebooks. There is a lot there, look at them, and use them. Add to them and we can pass them on. She asked section chairs label their notebooks with their section name.

Marylou asked what board meeting expenses come out of the board? Her answer was lodging, gas, and \$30. per diem.

Susan Simpson and the Albany County Library want old minutes, articles, and WLA information for archives.

Old business: School librarians asked we look at dates for the 2004 conference. in Laramie. The current dates are not good for them because school has just started. Most schools will not allow absences the first two weeks of school. The September 11 weekend is an away game for UW and thus works well for Laramie. Susan will check this out, because she wants WLA in Laramie. We discussed changing to Tuesday - Friday or Wednesday - Saturday. The first weekend in October is the Reading Council and a conflict. More discussion ensued. We could use UW for the conference and not stay there whether it was a home game or not. Jan Segerstrom thanked us for considering changing dates for the school librarians. Oct 21-24 is MLPA in Denver. Oct 27-30 was discussed as a possible date, the 2nd choice would be Oct 13-16 and the last choice would be Sep 8-11. Susan will check on the dates. Laura will send to the distribution list. We will do a telephone poll of choices.

Misc. old business before the executive board:

We need to set a board meeting for Nov and do strategic planning the next day.
Marylou applauded Author Night again. Janet has offered to help do it again next year.
This was the first year Laura did registration and it went well.
By-laws will go to that committee soon.

New Business:

Members were asked to look in the packet at the bill Floyd Esquibel has proposed for the patriot act modification. We are to read this and be ready to discuss it at the next council meeting.
Laura will update the minutes from Tuesday's council meeting and send them out.

The next meeting of the WLA executive board was changed from Dec to Nov in Casper at 2:00 on the 20th at the Parkway Hotel. Laura will make the arrangements. We will do strategic planning on the 21st. We also need to discuss exhibitors at this meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05am

Respectfully submitted,
Deb Kelly

