

# Wyoming Library Association

February 23, 2012

Laramie County Library - Cheyenne

## Meeting Minutes

**Present:** Sukey Hohl, Brittany Wells, Patty Myers, Sara Francis, Steven Boss, Lesley Boughton , Cynthia Twing, Deb McCarthy, Ara Anderson, Erin Kinney, Carey Hartmann, Laura Grott and Mary Rhoads, Ana Cuprill.

### I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA/MINUTES

The agenda for the February meeting was approved with the addition of the Library Leadership committee discussion.

*A motion was duly made and seconded to approve the September minutes with the correction to interest groups status to change the public interest group. Motion carried.*

*A motion was duly made and seconded to accept the December minutes with correction to change government to governor. Motion carried.*

### II. President's Report – Sukey Hohl

Sukey indicated that Susan Mark and Isabel Hoy have agreed to work on the audit for 2011. Laura Grott indicated that they will complete the audit the following week in Cheyenne.

Conference Forms – The new conference forms are available on the website.

Employee Contracts – Sukey reported that both Laura Grott and Marian Schulz have signed their contracts and they are completed for 2012.

Dues due date – Sukey reported that we were able to resolve very easily the debate on when dues should be “due” and that we came up with a solution that will work well to accommodate those that want to register early and pay their dues at the same time as conference.

Sukey thanked Brittany Wells for doing such a great job on the WLA Newsletter before Legislative session.

Sukey indicated that a group will be working on the WLA Handbook at 3pm to get that up-to-date and she is working on a letter to library Director's about institutional memberships.

### III. Budget Report: Laura Grott

Laura indicated that the net worth of WLA is \$93,000. She said as of today, the membership has 176 members renewed and 9 institutional members. Laura reviewed the few changes to the budget that were made to be able to include the line item for Leadership Institute of \$1,000. After reviewing the final budget, *a motion was duly made and seconded to approve the 2011 WLA budget as presented. Motion carried.*

Laura Grott presented a budget for conference, which Erin Kinney and Deb McCarthy had also had the opportunity to review prior to the meeting. Laura proposed increase WLA Conference fees by \$20 and exhibit fees by \$20. This increase will help cover the rising costs of breaks. Laura Grott also indicated that they will work on trying to decrease the cost of program printing.

***A motion was duly made and seconded to approve the conference budget and the cost of registration and vendor fees as presented. Motion carried.***

#### **IV. Other Reports**

- **ALA – Ara (Proxy Patty M)**

Neil Schumann, Tucson School, eBooks

- **MPLA – Steve Boss**

No Report

- **State Library - Lesley Boughton**

Lesley indicated that Jack Wilmarth has left his current position at the State Library, replaced by Melanie Reedy. Jack will be in a new position. Official notification of LSTA funds \$890,000. Progress towards LSTA funds going directly to LSTA projects and none to State Library salaries. Hoping to have all salaries from State, not LSTA.

- **Legislative Report – Carey Hartmann**

Budgets ok, school libraries in limbo from Common Core status  
Public Library Endowment – June 2013 deadline – possibly form a committee to explore educational support for libraries having difficulty raising funds  
Request help with clean up after legislative reception, since it should not fall on the State Library.

- **Convention Committee – Erin Kinney**

Erin reported that the convention is coming along and that they have secured the National Historic Trail Center for the reception. They will look at different programs that we can have in the theatre room. Deb will be working on contract for the Children’s Author Judy Sierra this week or next. Laura Grott indicated that she will contact the Scherry’s to get books ordered, once that contract is complete. Erin and Deb will make a trip to the Parkway to check things out in the near future.

- **Interest Group Co- Chairs: Ara Anderson and Mary Rhoads**

Clear up position of interest group leader vs. interest group committee member

Mary Rhoads indicated that the YA interest group, children’s section will hold theirs Spring meeting in April, tech services interest group currently has no leadership.

## V. Old Business

Discussion on the Public Trustee Scholarships : The Public Trustee section allotted 12 scholarships @ \$150.00 for use at conference. To date, nothing has been done with these scholarships. The Board recommended an ad hoc committee to set up guidelines and receive and approve applications for distribution. Sukey will form this ad hoc committee to work on this, with possibly former Public/Trustee members.

Academic Section funds were discussed. They have \$1160 and there has been no decision on what to do with the funds.

## VI. New Business

WLA future sites for convention:

- Casper 2012
- Cheyenne 2013
- Casper 2014
- Jackson (?) 2015 - Jackson Lake Lodge

There was discussion on MPLA convention and Lesley Boughton had brought a brochure from Jackson Lake Lodge. Steven Boss indicated that Jackson would be a very appealing venue for MPLA. The Board felt that this was a good place to hold the convention, although it was 30 miles from Jackson. Over the next year or two as people travel, there should be a site visit to take a look at the space.

Laura Grott had previously sent the Board a proposal from the Laramie Hilton Garden Inn. The Board felt that although it wasn't a bad convention site, it just wasn't big enough to accommodate our convention, especially with the tremendous success we've had at Little America.

***A motion was duly made and seconded to have Laura Grott begin the process of setting up a contract and dates for 2013 @ Little America. Motion carried.***

Renaming Leadership Coordinator was tabled.

Request for MPLA funding. There was discussion on what to do with the Debbie Iverson Scholarship Fund which was established several years ago. Two people had requested money from this fund to attend MPLA Leadership. The Board felt that we had two candidates that had been approved to attend MPLA Leadership and this would be a good use of the fund.

***A motion was duly made and seconded to approve \$500 for Sara Francis and Lori Clark-Erickson for funds out of the Debbie Iverson Scholarship Fund. Motion carried.***

The Nora Van Burgh award was discussed and Laura Grott indicated she already had an applicant for this year and that perhaps we should continue to advertise and promote this fund to generate increased participation.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.