



WLA Opening General Session Minutes, September 21, 2000

Vickie Hoff called the meeting to order @ 8:10 a.m.

Parliamentarian Susan Cuthbertson declared a Quorum.

Ada Howard introduced Mayor William Eichler who welcomed everyone to Riverton.

Mary Rhoads made all changes to the convention schedule, explained funny money, etc.

MINUTES OF 1999 GENERAL SESSION - Approved

TREASURER'S REPORT - Laura Grott gave the financial report and indicated that WLA was in sound financial condition. She explained the transfer of the Oppenheimer money to a Money Market Account, a Growth Fund and a Mutual Fund which would hopefully be slightly more aggressive than the current Oppenheimer Money Market Account earning around 4% interest. She encouraged everyone to visit the exhibits because the exhibitor's bring in a substantial amount of the revenue needed to operate WLA. She also thanked the Wyoming State Library for their generous grant each year of \$5,000 which helps fund speakers for conference as well as most of the Spring Section meetings.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Vickie Hoff discussed how great the libraries (school) can use WYLD and that was a big accomplishment this year for the Legislature. She indicated there is still a lot of work to do, but we have come a long way!

OTHER REPORTS

ALA: Lucie Osborn asked that the report in the *WLA NEWSLETTER* be her report for ALA.

MPLA: Ara Anderson reported that MPLA is giving away 10 free memberships. She also announced the people within WLA that will serve MPLA in the coming year. They are:

Debbie Iverson - Chair-Elect

Amy Shelley - Chair of Children Young Adult

Janet Williams - Secretary

Diane Oedekoven - Preservations

STATE LIBRARY REPORT - Leslie Boughton talked about two major changes at the State Library which will be very positive. Brian Greene will be WYLD Manager and Chris Van Burgh will be Library Development Continuing Education Trainer.

Leslie addressed four major issues on resource sharing:

- 1) Continuing Education - Professional Training for Librarians
- 2) Promoting School Libraries
- 3) Portal page for external database
- 4) Better marketing for Libraries

SECTION REPORTS

Academic/Special - Carol Deering - Report Attached

Children/Young Adult - Sue Knesel - Report Attached

Government Information - Kay Carlson - Report Attached - Invited everyone to see their display in the exhibit area.

They are also working on a new brochure
Paraprofessional - Trish Palluck - Report Attached
Public/Trustee - Isabel Hoy - Report Attached
SSLMP - Alice Hild Farris discussed their Spring Meeting

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION: Scott Kinney reported on the new web site design and that he now has the capability of doing e-mail lists for all sections if they would like one. He also encouraged sections to send them information for the site. He didn't have any stats because the server was down, but they are getting a huge number of hits from out-of-state, as well as in-state.

INFORMATION POWER: Jan Segerstrom talked about the meeting this summer that had 16 people in attendance. They are working on a revised plan with seven major goals including: Surveying School Libraries to get information to everyone and make people more aware of Information Power.

Jan discussed the meeting she attended in Dallas, Texas and brought back great ideas. She announced the Task Force Meeting from 8 - 9:30 on Friday morning. She also talked about many items that are on sale for Information Power.

Jan announced some upcoming events for Information Power including some of the events she is going to be able to talk about Information Power, including Superintendents and Principals.

She encouraged people to look at all the updates on the Web page.

INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM: Report Attached

LEGISLATIVE REPORT: Will submit a report at a later date.

FINANCIAL AUDIT: Vickie Hoff indicated that a report had been submitted for review to the Executive Board.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Will be submitted at the Board Meeting on Saturday.

MENTORING: Report Attached

NOMINATIONS & ELECTIONS: Crystal Stratton thanked Rita Anderson for helping on this committee as well as all candidates. Crystal announced the results of the election:

Vice-President/President Elect - Trish Palluck Recording Secretary - Teresa Authier

REVENUE COMMITTEE: Report will be submitted

NEW BUSINESS

John Freeman with the Wyoming Community Foundation talked about the Endowment Fund established by Carol McMurry.

In-time it is hoped that the fund will be \$150,000 per year. Right now some money is available in the form of a grant on a competitive basis. Application forms can be found @ www.wycf.org
The first deadline is: November 1, 2000. There will be one to three deadlines per year.

The money will be used for things like continued education for library staff members, improve patron access to library materials, collection development, etc.

Any questions can be directed to: rachel@wycf.org or call (307) 577-0648

2003 CONFERENCE BIDS

Vickie Hoff announced that we will be looking to find a conference site for 2003, and invitations would certainly be appreciated.

BY-LAWS CHANGES

Vickie Hoff asked for any input on the proposed by-laws changes. The suggestions included:

Section 1. Types of Membership

(A) Active

the word work needs to be changed from wok to work. This was a typo

(B) Associate.

The word "in" needs to be inserted to read: DEGREE PROGRAM AND NOT CURRENTLY WORKING IN A LIBRARY (LIMITED TO 2 YEARS)

(D) BUSINESS MEMBERS.

The word Representatives needs to be substituted for "They". To Read: Representatives shall be eligible to serve on any Board or Committee of the Association, but shall not be eligible to vote or hold office.

Section 2. Membership Privileges (B) Associate members

An (s) needs to be added to Meeting. To read: RECEIVE MAILINGS AND MEMBERSHIP RATES FOR ANNUAL MEETING(s)

Judy Morris moved to accept the above changes. Second by Edith Vosler. Motion carried with no opposition.

There being no further business. The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Grott

Acting Recording Secretary

