



WYOMING LIBRARY ASSOCIATION  
ANNUAL MEETING--OPENING  
September 28, 2006--8:00 a.m.  
Camplex--Wyoming/Banquet Room  
Gillette, Wyoming

Erin Kinney called the meeting to order with a quorum established, more than 2/3rds of the WLA attendees were present for the early morning meeting.

**Agenda, Minutes, President's Report:**

Carey Hartman made a motion to accept the agenda; Susan Simpson seconded, and the motion passed. Cheryl Wright made a motion to accept the minutes as presented; Mary Lou Banks seconded, and the motion passed. Erin Kinney presented a verbal President's Report calling her tenure a quiet year with smooth sailing.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Laura Grott, Executive Secretary, presented the attached Treasurer's Report explaining the change to Quick Books which she says will help clarify the reports. The main income for WLA is convention income, dues and interest. The 46 vendors this year have helped WLA become profitable and self-sustaining. Member purchases from the vendors is vital to vendor support. There are 235 attendees this year. Laura said the great financial position is due to consistent membership and vendors. Thank you all.

Reports from organizational representatives can be viewed on the website [wyla.org/files](http://wyla.org/files), and representatives have vendor tables for more information. ALA Councilor Sandra Barstow said a new online newsletter from ALA called "Worklife" might be of value to all libraries. MPLA rep Richard Landreth reminded us that 2006 was the year of transition, and the 2007 MPLA conference will be in Albuquerque in March. Lesley Boughton, WY State Librarian, said the state has successfully moved out of the Barrett building and into an old Safeway store on the south side of Cheyenne. Jerry Krois introduced visitor Robin Cabot who is reviewing Wyoming libraries and LSTA funding success.

Verbal section and committee reports were minimal, and they too can be viewed on the website [wyla.org/files](http://wyla.org/files). Cynthia Twing briefly reminded everyone of the success of the legislative funding bill, and the coming effort for library endowments. Mary Rhoads reported on the ballot count for the election. Cheryl Wright is the new Recording Secretary, and Brian Green is the Chair-Elect.

There was no **Old Business**.

**New Business:** Motion to change bylaws for the Program Council Committee Jerry Krois introduced the change in the by-laws for the program committee suggesting the need for sustainability and the introduction of new members rather than an over dependence on sections. A by-laws change does require 100% of the votes present. There was considerable discussion pro and con. Sally Mack asked "what is the problem?" Erin explained the section chairs are often chosen by default and without knowledge of their obligations. Cheryl Wright reminded us of travel problems for planning and the need for local help. Mary Jayne Jordan said that the current program council is headed by the chair-elect which changes annually, and the idea of sequential members is excellent. There was a request for the local arrangements chair be added to the committee, and a request that the communications chair be added to the committee to supervise all WLA publications. A motion was made, seconded, and approved for the amendment. Erin read the motion and called for the question. The motion to change the by-laws for the Program Council Committee failed. Erin and Ara said the Program Committee needs will be taken to the Executive Committee for further discussions. The Convention Handbook will be reviewed again and recommendations for changes will no doubt be heard again.

With no further business, Richard Landreth, local arrangements, orchestrated the door prizes.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Patty Myers

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