

150: August 5, 2005

**NMLA Board Meeting
August 5, 2005**

Attendees: Kathy Matter, Anne Lefkofsky, Julia Clarke, Linda Morgan Davis, Omar Durant, Dinah Jentgen, Barbara Van Dongen. Leslie Chamberlain, Thaddeus Bejnar, Lori Grumet, Heather Gallegos-Rex, Valerie Nye, Julie Miller, Charlene Greenwood, Lori Christian, Joe Becker, Richard Akeroyd

The meeting was called to order at 1:04 p.m.

The motion to approve the agenda was seconded and approved with the amendment that discussion of the New Mexico Library Foundation would occur under Representative and Councilor reports.

Secretary's Report:

Approval of the minutes of the April, 2005 meeting was moved, seconded and passed. The motion to accept the following electronic votes occurring between April and July 2005 was seconded and passed:

- 1) It was moved and seconded that the \$315 donation from the Bound to Be Read bookstore be used to fund the May 20 retreat. The motion passed.
- 2) It was moved and seconded that we accept the 2006 Annual Conference theme "Community Collections, Community Connections" as the color scheme of purple, green, yellow and black. The motion passed.
- 3) It was moved and seconded that the Association newsletter be posted online as a feature on the NMLA web page under the title "The Bulletin" with the administrative contractor taking responsibility for formatting. The motion passed.
- 4) At the June 10 Budget meeting it was moved and seconded that NMLA pay for the Banquet Tickets for J. Paul Taylor and his wife at the Advocacy Honor Roll Banquet sponsored by ALTA. The funds are to come from the President's discretionary budget. The motion passed.
- 5) The following Resolution on Disinformation was moved, seconded and approved.

RESOLUTION on DISINFORMATION, MEDIA MANIPULATION and the DESTRUCTION of PUBLIC INFORMATION

Whereas the New Mexico Library Association recognizes the contribution librarianship can make in giving support for efforts to inform and educate the people of New Mexico on critical problems facing society; and

Whereas the mission of NMLA is to enrich the lives and the lifelong learning of all New Mexicans by actively promoting the cooperation and development of libraries and their personnel;

Whereas NMLA has as one of its goals that government information be widely and easily available; and

Whereas inaccurate information, distortions of truth, excessive limitations on access to information, and the removal or destruction of information from the public domain are anathema to the ethos of librarianship and to the functioning of a healthy democracy and constitute a critical problem for society; and

Whereas evidence exists revealing that some U.S. government officials and agencies use disinformation in pursuit of political, economic, and military advantage, thwarting the development of an informed citizenry; and

Whereas the list of documented instances of U.S. government use of disinformation continues to grow, and includes: the distribution to media outlets of government produced video news releases under the guise of independent journalism; the use of commentators paid by government agencies to express views favorable to government policies in clear violation of Federal Communications Commission regulations; the censorship of scientific studies warning of the true threat of global warming; the fabrication and deliberate distortion of information used to justify the U.S. invasion of Iraq; the removal of public information from U.S. depository libraries; and heightened assaults on constitutional rights under the guise of national security; therefore be it

Resolved that the New Mexico Library Association go on record as being opposed to the use by government of disinformation, media manipulation, the destruction and excision of public information, and other such tactics.

Resolved that the NMLA encourages its members to teach and nurture 21st century information literacy skills among the American public to help them detect disinformation, media manipulation, and missing information.

Resolved that NMLA encourages libraries to actively seek and acquire information resources that provide a broad context for public understanding and evaluation of news and opinion.

Resolved that this resolution be shared broadly with members of NMLA, the press, the public and government officials.

Approval of the SIG Proposals

Because there was no meeting immediately following the Annual Conference, there has been a delay in approving the SIGs. At this meeting, the NMLA Board has approved proposals from the following Special Interest Groups for 2005-2006:

Battle of the Books. (Chair, Sarah Geiger; Board Liaison, Barbara VanDongen)
Advocacy for School Libraries. (Chair, Pam Rishel; Board Liaison, Barbara VanDongen)
Interlibrary Loans/Document Delivery Resource Sharing. (Chair, Joseph Lane; Board Liaison, Leslie Chamberlain)
Local and Regional History. (Chair, Peter Ives; Board Liaison, Lori Grumet)
Reforma.(Chair, Irene Shown; Board Liaison, Lori Grumet)
New Mexico Paraprofessionals. (Chair, Leslie Monsalve-Jones; Board Liaison, Julie Miller)
Native American Libraries. (Chair, Mary Alice Tsosie; Board Liaison, Leslie Chamberlain)
New Mexico Preservation Alliance. (Chair, Jo Anne Martinez-Kilgore; Board Liaison, Julie Miller)

Note: the above listing accurately reflects what was reported at the August 5, 2005 meeting. Since that time corrections have been made.

Treasurer's Report:

As incoming treasurer for the 2006 and 2007 fiscal years, I look forward to working with the NMLA board to manage the Association's budget, and to develop or maintain priorities to guide this management. I would also at the outset like to thank the out-going treasurer, Kathy Albrecht, for her several years of service in this position and strong contribution to bringing about current fiscal stability, and for her guidance to me during this transition.

Based on my brief understanding thus far, the FY05 summary information indicates that the present financial status of the organization continues in a stable position. The Statement of

Financial Position for FY05 indicates net assets of \$64,745.81. This shows modest growth over the FY04 assets total of \$59,938.72.

Regarding the investment accounts, the Marian Dorroh funds previously held in 2 time deposit accounts have been consolidated into a single CD at Bank of America. The current amount in that fund is \$25,736, at 3.2%, maturing at 11/06. The \$3000 allocated in the '05 budget for the NMLA Reserve fund was invested in a Merrill Lynch CD, at 3.4%, maturing 5/06. This now adds to the existing \$9000 Reserve fund CD at Merrill Lynch, at 2.75%, maturing 7/06. It should also be noted that we realized \$403 in interest income from these investments for tax year 2004.

It should be noted that the Battle of the Books funds, which had previously been held in trust within the NMLA account, have now been separated into a distinct checking account. This should greatly simplify the accounting for these funds.

The accountant has provided the FY2004 Financial Compilation Statement.

The Final Budget Report for FY05 indicates a well-managed fiscal year. Virtually all units were expended at or below budget allocations, and the net surplus for the year was at \$6,240. Net income from the annual conference was a very healthy \$29,234. Income from membership dues remained steady relative to the previous year.

The Proposed Budget, FY06, will be presented for board approval today. These projected figures for income and allocations have been based by typical procedure on budget requests from the various units, and information from conference planning committees. This budget has been subject to an initial review and revision by the Executive Committee at the budget meeting in June.

Respectfully submitted, Joe Becker

FY06 budget discussion included the following:

- The current statement shows Battle of the Books funds as an equity rather than as a liability.
- The grant funds left over from the Preservation workshops needs to be reconciled.
- Heather alerted Board that the Nominations and Elections Committee could need more funds because we no longer are mailing a newsletter with which to include the ballots.
- Quickbooks is a more appropriate software package for NMLA and will cost approximately \$200. Thaddeus recommended QuickBooks for Non Profits, which would cost more and would provide more functionality.
It was moved and seconded that \$350 be added to Treasurer's budget to purchase Quickbooks for Non Profits. The motion passed.
- It was moved and seconded that NMLA and TLA members will pay a \$40 registration fee for the mini-conference and non-members will pay \$50. Discussion resulted in the motion being amended to ask non-members to pay \$55. The amended motion passed.
- It was moved and seconded that the Battle of the Books be budgeted \$250. The motion passed.

It was moved and seconded that the 2006 budget be accepted. The motion passed.

MiniConference:

The Committee reported that they:

1. Will send out a mark your calendar postcard
2. Will send our flyers and Registration forms after Labor Day

3. Will work with Lori to post MiniConference information on the website. Attendees can register and pay via the website.
4. Selected the conference theme “Route 66 – Road to Reading.”

It was moved and seconded that a special badge be prepared for those individuals completing the certification test in Tucumcari on the day of mini-conference. This badge would allow free admittance to afternoon sessions. Lunch is not included. The motion passed.

Conference Progress Report:

**2006 Annual Conference Report
NMLA Board Meeting
August 5, 2006**

Theme: Community Collections, Community Connections!

Conference Dates: April 19-22, 2005

The Annual Conference leaves its Albuquerque and Las Cruces “homes” of the past five years for a new adventure in Farmington, and the scenic Four Corners area. This move also takes us away from what had become a routine pattern in conference planning. The following points outline our progress in creating a new and exciting event for NMLA’s membership – as well as exhibitors and out-of-state participants.

! **Program Committee:** Cassandra Osterloh resigned as Program Committee chair. Karen McPheeters has offered to serve in this capacity. We will still look for a co-chair to coordinate some of the committee’s more “structural” tasks. Stephanie Miller has relocated to Portland, OR. This group’s start has been delayed, due to the personnel changes and the need to do preliminary planning in Farmington. Anne Lefkofsky has been in contact with the committee members, offering to help in getting things off the ground.

! **Local Arrangements:** A general planning meeting took place on July 11 at the Farmington PL. Thaddeus Bejnar, Lorie Christian and Anne joined Karen McPheeters and FPL’s leadership team to work out initial conference details. Most of these details are covered in this report. Jenny Lee Bingham (Program Coordinator – Farmington PL) will be our point person on local arrangements and community / venue contacts.

! **Hotels:** NMLA is responsible for handling hotel agreements. Lorie Christian is managing these arrangements, working with the Farmington C&VB and local hotels. Thus far, Lorie has secured room blocks and rates at three larger hotels: Holiday Inn, Courtyard by Marriott and Best Western Inn & Suites. She has also secured additional blocks of rooms at a number of smaller hotels/motels. Internet (plus select WI-FI) access is featured at most of the sites. It’s been determined that while contracts are not needed for this configuration, written documentation (agreement memos or forms) is required by NMLA. Such will be reviewed Thaddeus Bejnar, and approved by and Kathy Matter.

! **Exhibitors:** Our goal is to improve and increase marketing efforts – with special attention to attracting exhibitors from Arizona, Colorado, Texas and Utah. Lorie will work with Jenny Lee to accomplish this.

► ***For Board Approval:*** We would like to keep the Exhibitor fees at the same level as charged for the 2005 conference – anticipating the benefits of our low costs in Farmington, and the promise of new exhibitors from the Four Corners area.

Current Exhibitor Charges:

\$475.00	10' x 10' booth w/ one 6' table, 2 chairs, sign
\$175.00	8' draped table w/ 2 chairs, sign
\$850.00	Conference Underwriter Plan – One 8' x 10' booth w/ one table, 2 chairs, ¼ page ad in conference program, and special recognition
\$1,500.00	Conference Underwriter Plan – Two 8' x 10' booth w/ two tables, 4 chairs, ½ page ad in conference program, and special recognition

Venue / Site Agreements: Karen is coordinating agreement letters and documents for the various programming and event venues that will be used. Thaddeus Bejnar will review all documents before submitting them to NMLA President Kathy Matter for signatures. Agreements will cover:

Farmington Civic Center– **MOU** with NMLA (NMLA charged for consumables only). Also covers FPL and Downtown Center/Old Library.

Additional sites for program sessions and social/food functions:

- San Juan College
- Piedra Vista High School
- Casa Blanca Inn – for 4/19 Board Meeting
- Gateway
- Sandstone
- Totah Theatre

Budget: The conference budget as submitted will stand until we can better see where adjustments or consolidation/elimination of line items are needed. The total conference allocation (e.g. the “bottom line”) will remain the same. Any revisions will be ready for presentation at the October 2005 Board meeting. Currently, the break down of financial responsibilities between NMLA and Farmington Public Library is:

Farmington will pay for / cover:

- Graphics and printing
- Keynotes (help with, sponsor)
- Storytelling event at Sandstone (All Conference Reception)
- PR
- City venues (no cost to NMLA except consumables).
- Signage

NMLA will pay for / cover:

- Any venue that charges rental fees (not part of City of Farmington/Library umbrella)
- Food & beverage:
 - Board Meeting breakfast/brunch
 - Breakfasts / breaks at Civic Center
 - All Conference and New Member Receptions
 - LOE / Youth Event
 - Awards Event
- Speaker Fees
- Registration Supplies
- Local Arrangments Incidentals

!Daily Schedule and Programming Platform: We will use a multi-venue format, with the Farmington Civic Center serving as the “hub of operations” (e.g. site for exhibitors and Keynote Address plus breakout sessions). A goal is to open up the schedule more than usual, opt for longer programs / fewer time slots, and make sure that people have ample time to visit the exhibits and network with colleagues.

Currently, schedule highlights include:

- ☐ Pre-conference day – focus on youth services
- ☐ Post-conference day – focus on buildings
- ☐ Board Meeting at Casa Blanca Inn B&B (4/19 am)
- ☐ Annual NMLA Business Meeting (call for issues) (4/19 am)
- ☐ Vendor showcase at Farmington Civic Center (4/20)
- ☐ New Member Reception
- ☐ Awards Event at Totah Theatre
- ☐ All Conference Reception – Storytelling Under the Stars (formerly Past Presidents Reception)
- ☐ Petroglyph Tour

!Graphics, Website and PR: Jim Carpenter (Web Development & Graphic Design – Farmington PL) will design this year’s forms, and Farmington PL will cover the costs of printing. The conference website will reside on NMLA’s website. Jim and Lorie will manage design and content work, each focusing on specific aspects of these tasks. They will also collaborate with the Program Committee on the conference program materials. Jenny Lee will handle PR for us – issuing announcements, writing articles and taking care of promotional work where needed. The conference “campaign” will launch after Labor Day. Lorie has been in touch with the Colorado, Utah and Arizona library associations for mailing list and membership contact info. Utah has responded enthusiastically – suggesting that we post a conference invitation to their listserv.

Submitted on behalf of the Conference Team: Anne Lefkofsky
NMLA Vice-President / 2006 Annual Conference Chair

It was moved and seconded that we accept Lorie Christian’s recommendation to approve the Exhibitor Fee schedule as it stands, making changes only after we have more information from Farmington available to us. The motion passed.

Web site Review

Lorie Christian solicited input from the Board on further improvements to the website. Comments included: Interest in a site map; the current red and green are difficult colors to see; the updated material is appreciated; the font is great, the content is great.

It was recommended that a digital copy of the website be sent to the NMLA archivist.

Membership

Kathy Matter attended an ALA workshop on Membership presented by Mark Levin. As a result of the information presented, the following actions are being taken:

- A membership Task Force is being appointed.
- Initial members are: Linda Morgan Davis, Anne Lefkofsky and Kathy Matter. The group is looking for a representative from the school library community to participate in their monthly meetings.
- Membership cards will be sent to each new member

- The Task Force proposed that current membership to sponsor first time members and is offering a 50% discount on first year's dues to all who join. It was moved and seconded that this be implemented immediately. Discussion resulted in an amendment that this strategy would be in place only through February, 2006. The motion passed.
- Discussion included: how to recognize long time members and the roles of the Members at Large and the newly appointed Task Force.

Bylaws Committee

The Committee reported: There are two Bylaws changes that the Board needs to consider.

The first change is that the Mission Statement approved by the Board last year is not the Mission Statement in Article II of the Bylaws. The Board can decide to ask the membership to approve the change in the Bylaws to include the new mission statement or they can ask the membership to delete the mission statement from the Bylaws and have the mission statement as a separate document from the Bylaws.

The second change is in Article VI, section 4—Change Administrative Assistant to Administrative Contractor to be consistent with the title used elsewhere in the Gray Book.

Article VI, Section 4

The Treasurer shall serve for two years with the term beginning July 1 following election at the annual conference. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to collect all dues, with the assistance of the "Administrative Assistant", to keep all...

The Board needs to remember that the Bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting at any Association business meeting; or they may be amended by two-thirds of the members responding to a mail ballot authorized by the Executive Board, provided that copies of the amendment be sent to members one month prior to voting. As part of the discussion, the Board will want to decide how they want to put the question before the membership. We could either do it at the annual business meeting or include the questions on the ballot for the new officers.

The Bylaws Committee has received several recommendations from Past Treasurer Albrecht for changes to the Gray Book. The Committee will be prepared to discuss them at the October Board Meeting.

Respectfully submitted: Betty Long, Chair

It was moved and seconded that the Mission Statement be separate from the Bylaws. The motion passed. The deletion of the mission statement from the Bylaws will be placed on the ballot.

It was moved and seconded that we take a vote on Bylaws issues by mail when we elect officers rather than at the business meeting. The motion passed.

It was moved and seconded that the administrator contractor language or terminology be on the ballot. The motion passed.

Program Committee

It was proposed that the Program Committee be restructured to be a more prominent part of the organizational setup. The initial vision is to make this a standing committee and for the group work on programming for annual conference, mini conferences and continuing education

events throughout the year. Thaddeus Bejnar will work with Anne Lefkofsky to draft a proposal to be presented at the October Board meeting.

Electronic Newsletter

Discussion resulted in consensus to develop an Editorial Board for the electronic newsletter.

Lorie Christian reported that there had been 32 requests for paper copies of the newsletter. Overall, feedback is very positive.

On-Line MLS Partnerships

After much discussion, it was moved and seconded that:

The President of NMLA has the discretion to enter into non-exclusive and non-binding agreements to provide links from our website to library schools offering benefits to our membership. The NMLA website is to include links to the State Library and to the American Library Association. The motion passed.

Public Relations Committee Report: Newsletter

Decision to publish electronic version of the *Newsletter* communicated to the membership in the May/June 2005 issue of the *Newsletter*. Comments were solicited. The only phone call has been from James Byke, Las Cruces and former NMLA President. He and his wife were opposed as they have no means to access an electronic version.

Open access to the Newsletter via the website has been questioned. Point: this should be a privilege/benefit of membership: this should be a Board discussion point.

Editor for the Newsletter – discussion for the Board meeting August 5, 2005 to be led by Anne Lefkofsky.

Photo Contest

The idea to help brand the NMLA website with a photo or photos via a contest for the membership, was presented to the Board. Kathy Matter, President gave approval for the contest. The Committee launched the contest via the website and Discussion List on Friday July 8, with an August 31 deadline.

Working On:

- READ poster of the Governor (Kathy Matter)
- Conference Publicity for Mini-Conference - Tucumcari
- Public Relations piece for *Banned Books Week* (Elizabeth Haskett)

Submitted on behalf of the Committee,
Linda Morgan Davis, Chair

LIF

Legislative activities:

There was a joint GO Bond/LIF meeting at the North Valley Library on June 17th. Upcoming legislative agenda items were discussed and a 2006 GO Bond Steering Committee was created. The next GO Bond Steering Committee meeting is August 12th at 1:00 pm at the North Valley Library.

Omar Durant is in the process of getting a date for NMLA to speak at an upcoming LESC meeting.

Geri Hutchins accepted the ALA liaison position and has been keeping NMLA updated on national library issues.

Intellectual Freedom activities:

The NMLA Board voted to adopt the Resolution on Disinformation, Media Manipulation and the Destruction of Public Information adopted by ALA at the ALA annual conference.

Elizabeth Haskett is working with ACLU, UNM, KUNM public radio, the New Mexico Literacy Project and Page One Books on Banned Book Week activities. LIF will co-host a panel discussion at the Main Library in Albuquerque on September 24th. Kathy Matter, NMLA President will be on the panel with keynote speaker, Judith Krug, Director of ALA's Office of Intellectual Freedom. There will be a reception the evening of the 24th at Page One.

Respectfully submitted, Elizabeth Haskett, Co-chair

Representative and Councilor Reports

State Library Report

Richard Akeroyd provided a narrative of activities impacting libraries throughout the State. The two most significant topics were the Gates Foundation funding computer upgrades throughout the State and the effort to have the salaries of State Library employees commensurate with other professional positions in New Mexico.

MPLA - Mountain Plains Library Association Report

Ghost Ranch Leadership Institute

The MPLA Leadership Institute will be taking place October 23-28, 2005. The MPLA representatives from each state are responsible for forming a committee to select Leadership attendees from each state. The New Mexico selection committee was Kathy Matter, NMLA President; Kirsten Clark, 2004 Leadership Institute attendee; Olivia Li, 2003 Leadership Institute attendee; and Valerie Nye, MPLA Representative for New Mexico.

Based on the criteria outlined by the MPLA Leadership Institute, the committee recommended three attendees for the Institute. Each state in the MPLA region has at least 2 attendees. This year, all three of New Mexico's recommended attendees were selected by the MPLA Leadership Institute Committee. New Mexico Leadership Institute attendees for 2005 are: Elizabeth Eastwood from Mesa Public Library in Los Alamos, Jennifer Brown from Navajo Middle School, and Dexter Katzman from the Sunland Park Community Library. Congratulations to these outstanding applicants!

MPLA Board Choice Award:

Every year, each member of the MPLA Executive Board is responsible for selecting someone for a Board Choice Award. This year, Anne Lefkofsky has been awarded the New Mexico Representative's Board Choice Award, and will receive a free year membership to MPLA. Anne is dedicated to providing quality library services to patrons and has devoted an enormous amount of time and creativity to the New Mexico Library Association. Thank you Anne for all of your hard work!

Executive Board Meeting;

Valerie Nye attended the MPLA Executive Board Meeting on July 23, 2005 in Denver.

MPLA appointed a Reorganization Task Force. The group was charged with reviewing the existing structure of MPLA and recommend changes that would better reflect the needs and interests of members and contribute to greater organizational effectiveness. The task force presented its recommendations. The full report is available online at:
<http://www.usd.edu/mpla/documents/reports/other/reorg/20050723.html>

Some of the recommendations include:

- Elimination of Section Chairs. Section will be replaced with Electronic Communities. Moderators of these communities will not be elected and will not be part of the MPLA board.
- Frequency of board meetings. The board will only meet twice each fiscal year, unless there are extraordinary circumstances. Regular business will be conducted via the Internet.
- Training and orientation. MPLA should hire a qualified trainer to develop tutorials. Training can be conducted via conference calls, electronic meetings, and face-to-face meetings.

The recommendations were approved by the MPLA board. Carol Hammond has been named the steward to transition the implementation of these recommendations.

A reminder: State Associations are eligible for pre-conference grants through MPLA. Associations can fill out a pre-conference grant application online at:
<http://www.usd.edu/mpla/committees/contined/grantstate.html>

There was a short discussion about what MPLA will do in 2006, since the association will not be hosting a joint conference. The Continuing Education Committee has been appointed with coming up with ideas. If you have any suggestions for continuing education sessions MPLA might offer, please contact Valerie Nye and she will pass the ideas on to the committee:
valjonye@yahoo.com

The 2005 conference program in Jackson, WY was given to the board. The program will be available online shortly. One criticism was that there were no sessions for public library board members or trustees. The trustee sessions in Colorado were well attended. The Association of Library Trustees and Advocates is calling upon the program committee at this late date, to include trustee sessions. NMLA should keep this issue in mind for the 2007 conference.

The MPLA website has been redesigned: <http://www.usd.edu/mpla/>

Peter Kraus from Utah commented that the Utah Library Association is excited about being invited to the NMLA conference in Farmington. While the conference hasn't been formally advertised to the association, people he has spoken to are excited about the possibilities of attending.

Respectfully submitted: Valerie Nye, MPLA New Mexico Rep

AASL

Three concerns were successfully brought from the Affiliate Assembly to the AASL board of directors. The concerns dealt with funding school library programs, a request to update the national standards, and low voter turn out by AASL members in ALA elections.

The ALA Executive Board has approved a Special Task Force on School Libraries, to report back to Council and the Board at the 2006 Midwinter Meeting. The concern is “despite growing research documenting the positive impact of school libraries staffed by qualified professionals on student achievement, a number of recent media stories have reported the elimination of school library programs and the “de-professionalization” of school library media centers through the elimination of school library media specialists”.

Respectfully submitted: Alison Almquist

New Mexico Library Foundation

Current Trustees and Officers:

Chair: Charlene Greenwood, Library Consultant, Albuquerque

Vice Chair: Barbara Van Dongen, Albuquerque Public Schools, Library Coordinator, Albuquerque

Secretary: Barbara Lah, University of NM Law Library, Librarian, Albuquerque

Treasurer: Brian Ivener, Ivener & Demkovich, Certified Public Accountant, Albuquerque

NMLA President: Kathy Matter, John Baker Elementary School, Librarian, Albuquerque

State Librarian: Richard Akeroyd, New Mexico State Library, Santa Fe

Danice Picraux, Educator, NM House of Representatives, Albuquerque

Brooke Sheldon, retired Director and Professor, School of Information Resources and Library Sciences, University of Arizona, Santa Fe

David Giltrow, Consultant, Santa Fe

Vacancy

Grant Awarded:

Wagon Mound Elementary School for library automation retrospective cataloging

Grant Deadline:

The next deadline for applying for a grant is September 15. The guidelines are posted on the website www.nm-lf.org.

Work in Progress:

The Foundation has been working on the concept that NMLF function like a community foundation for small libraries around the state so that private money could be donated to the fund to support them. The legal and financial aspects are being worked out.

At the Board meeting, Charlene Greenwood requested names of non-librarians who might be interested in serving on the Foundation Board. It also was announced that Thaddeus Bejnar's parents have donated a Two Grey Hills rug as a prize in a fund-raising raffle. The Foundation will have a table at the MiniConference.

Submitted by: Charlene Greenwood, Chair

New Business:

Elinor Bernau resigned as NMLA archivist. Kathy Matter solicited recommendations for someone to take Elinor's place. This also will be posted on the Listserv.

We are in the final stages of being able to offer Sam's Club Memberships as a benefit of membership in NMLA.

The meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.