NMLA Board Meeting – AGENDA
Friday, July 11, 10:00 am – 11:00 am
Conference Call

1. Call to Order- The meeting was called to order by President Osterloh at 10:00 a.m.
   Present were: President Cassandra Osterloh; Vice President: Dan Kammer; Secretary: Kathleen Teaze; Treasurer: Clyde Henderson; Member At Large: Paulita Aguilar; Member At Large: Susan Pinkerton; MPLA Representative: Lynette Schurdevin; AASL Representative: Alison Almquist; Awards Committee Chair: Cindy Pierard; Conference Site Committee Chair: Marian Royal; Barbara Edwards; Pam Rishel; Jeanette Smith; NMLA Administrator, Lorie Christian

2. Agenda – Motion to approve the agenda was made seconded and passed.

3. Secretary’s Report
   a. April meeting minutes – Board and Membership meetings –
      Motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the minutes of the last Board meeting as posted on the website.
      Motion was made, and seconded and passed to approve the minutes of the Annual Membership meeting as posted on the website
   b. Online votes
      Secretary Teaze reported that 2 online votes had been taken.
      On 4/28/08 a motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the NMT Macey Center Contract for fall mini-conference.
      On 5/08/08 a motion was made, seconded and passed to change Conference exhibitor prices for a booth to $450 and table to $150.00

4. President’s Report (3 minutes)
   President Osterloh attended ALA Annual in Anaheim, CA. She met with Vice President Dan Kammer to put together a budget for the Annual NMLA conference.

5. Treasurer’s Report (15 minutes)- Electronic Report
   This is the final financial report for the 2007-2008 year. The financial outlook of the organization is steady. The net income is $1,949.70 for period ending 6/30/2008. The total income was $96,228.17 and total expense was $94,278.47.
   As of 6/30/2008, the NMLA conference account is $7,969.94 and the NMLA checking account is $36,225.42.
   The investment accounts continue to grow. The Marion Dorroh fund (BofA CD) has a balance of $28,965.52. The next maturity date is 11/23/2008. The other investment is the Merrill Lynch account with the value of $41,591.17.
   a. Budget – approval needed
      Treasurer Clyde Henderson presented the budget for FY09.
      It was noted that the FY09 budget includes travel expenses for officers attending Board meetings.
      A motion was made, seconded and passed that travel to NMLA Annual will be reimbursed for Board members only if they are not registered for the conference.
      A motion was made, seconded and passed that the FY09 Proposed Budget be accepted.
   b. Administrative Contractor salary
      A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the Administrator’s Contract in the amount of $18,000.00 as proposed in the FY09 Budget.

6. Vice-President’s Report (8 minutes)
   a. Annual Conference update
      Dan noted that the program is a work in progress and that he will head the program committee. He is hoping to have speakers on such topics as copyright/fair use and resource sharing. The committee will come up with a logo for the conference.
      Conference Theme – Vice President Dan Kammer proposed that the Annual Conference theme be Sharing Ideas, Building Communities.
Motion was made, seconded and passed to approve this theme.

b. Local Arrangements
First meeting will be held in August. Barbara Lovato-Gassman at CNM will head up this committee.

During the discussion, Lorie Christian asked if NMCAL would consider becoming part of NMLA as a SIG.

7. ALA/APA Councilor’s Report –

ALA/APA Councilor’s Report–

The report that follows is a combination of my report and the reports of other councilors and reflects highlights of each Council Session and not everything reported or discussed. Copies of the final wording of all resolutions and action items from Council Sessions will be posted and available on the ALA Web Site http://www.ala.org in a few weeks.

Attendance-- The final attendance for Anaheim was reported on July 2 at Council III to be 22,047. The past two Annual Conference final attendance reports were 28,228 for Washington (2007) and 16,784 New Orleans (2006).


ALA COUNCIL/EXECUTIVE BOARD/MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION SESSION: The Budget and Analysis Committee (BARC) report by Marilyn Hinshaw was detailed and informative. The challenges facing ALA in this year of serious inflation have been considerable. Executive Director Fiels indicated that 3.5% had been set aside for COLA for ALA Staff. --- The Endowment Fund Report by Chair Robert Newlen was also informative and encouraging. Despite a highly volatile market, the endowment fund only declined by 1.7% during the past year. The endowment stood at $30,554,000 in Market Value at the end of May 2008. The endowment trustees have been managing our resources extremely well with an increase from $11,022,000 in 2002 to $30,554,000 in 2008. --- The merger of ALTA (Association for Library Trustees and Advocates) and FOLUSA (Friends of the Library USA) to form a new division called ALTAFF (Association for Library Trustees, Advocates, Friends and Foundations) was noted as an effort to combine administrative functions for the enhancement of efficiency and cost savings.

ALA/APA COUNCIL: Revenue results for ALA-APA was said to have fallen short by about $11,000. However, no handout about the fiscal situation of ALA-APA was presented at this time. It was further noted that about 23% of the salary of the Executive Director of ALA-APA had to be shifted away from ALA-APA to another aspect of ALA HQ operations.

COUNCIL I: Resolutions Committee Chair, Peter McDonald, presented a significant revision to the guidelines for developing Council Resolutions (section 5.3 of Policy Manual). Extremely helpful clarifications were approved. Michael Golrick and Larry Romans were also significant in the crafting of these changes.

The new, redesigned ALA web site is expected to be launched in September 2008. Preview site: http://staging.ala.org/home.cfm --- Efforts are underway to reduce the length of Mid Winter and Annual Meetings for Council as early as 2010 so that Council sessions could end on Tuesday rather than Wednesday. --- Treasurer Rod Hersberger presented an excellent review of the fiscal challenges faced by ALA during the upcoming years. --- Remarks were addressed to the Chair expressing concern about the fiscal future of ALA-APA and also about the need to address the rising costs of travel to ALA conferences through greater emphasis on e-participation.

ALA-APA COUNCIL: It was especially unfortunate that the fiscal report on ALA-APA was not included in the packet for the first ALA-APA Council Meeting, but even more so that it failed to appear at this second meeting where the Treasurers Report provided projections for FY 2009 without accompanying information regarding the performance of the APA portion of ALA during FY2007 and FY2008. ALA Treasurer Rod Hersberger agreed to postpone votes on the Budget Ceiling for ALA-APA to Council II due to the failure of ALA-APA Staff to produce the FY2008 estimates to support the FY2009 Budget projections. Despite the commonly accepted concerns about the fiscal viability of ALA-APA, the good news produced at this
session reflected very heavy attendance at ALA-APA programs — such as those involving "negotiating for better salaries" and "the union advantage". One action item passed overwhelmingly at this session where the recommended minimum salary for a professional librarian was placed at $41,680 and "a minimum wage for all library workers of at least $13.00 per hour...."

COUNCIL II: Following fairly clear explanations from Jennifer Grady and Rod Herseberger, the budgetary ceiling for ALA-APA was passed at about $265,000. The fiscal future of ALA appears to be very solid and well documented. The budgetary ceiling for ALA was approved at $67,984,278. Judith Platt, Freedom to Read Foundation President reported litigation activity underway to defend the rights of readers and bookstores to resist challenges to their right to have access to books and information. Membership in the FTRF has fallen off in recent years. ALA Members are encouraged to join: http://www.ftrf.org/joinftrf.html

"Resolution on Improving the Federal Depository Library Program and Public Access to Government Information" was referred by Councilor Larry Romans to the Committee on Legislation for review and moved to Mid Winter. "Resolution on Support for Funding for Cataloging and Bibliographic Control at the Library of Congress" by Councilors Diane Dates Casey and Janet Swan Hill was passed unanimously. It is hoped that LC management will not continue to leave cataloging behind when it comes to funding and that this resolution will cause the LC administration to recognize that the larger library community recognizes the importance of bibliographic control. Also passed overwhelmingly were "Resolution Supporting the Employment Non-Discrimination Act (ENDA)" and "Resolution Concerning ALA Policy Opposing Sweatshop Labor" (ALA and its bodies not purchase products for distribution to Membership that have been created by sweatshop labor).

Council III: Lois Ann Gregory-Wood celebrates her 40th anniversary as an ALA Staff Member on October 11, 2008. A resolution recognizing her extraordinary service to ALA was passed unanimously (and with great joy) by Council. -- Association of Bookmobile and Outreach Services (ABOS) was approved as an affiliate of ALA under Article X of the ALA Constitution. -- Revisions in six interpretations of the Library Bill of Rights designed to broaden and clarify their intent were passed. The Intellectual Freedom Committee, chaired by Kenton Oliver, did an excellent job of keeping our IF documents up to date. -- The International Relations Committee presented an action item seeking the return of historical documents confiscated from the Iraqi National Library. --- COO succeeded in formalizing the composition of the Committee on Accreditation. --- The Committee on Legislation (COL) obtained Council support for funding the National Agriculture Library at the $22 million level, to urge the Congress to support the measures put forward in the E-Government Reauthorization Act of 2007, and to support efforts to preserve sound recordings made before February 15, 1972.

"Resolution Adopting the Definitions of Digital Preservation and the Revised Preservation Policy for the American Library Association" presented by Councilors Diane Dates Casey and Wei Jeng-Chu, was passed unanimously. A "Resolution on Expanding Council Transparency" was passed after much affirming discussion in favor of eventually telecasting (streaming) Council deliberations and those of our Membership Meetings. It is hoped that steps can move beyond the stage of investigation towards implementation.

Council III business was concluded by 10 AM on July 2. By the reaction of the membership this must have been close to the shortest meeting in anyone’s recent memory!

Elections—Elected to the Council Committee on Committees were: Gladys Smiley Bell, Thomas L. Wilding, Pamela J. Hickson-Stevenson, and Frances R. Roscello. Elected to serve as Council Representatives to the Planning and Budget Assembly were: Barbara R. Miller, Charles Leslie Pace, Elaine M. Harger, Cynthia Czesak, Karen Gonzales, and Pamela K. Klipsch.

8. Members-at-Large
   a. Mini-Conference update
      Paulita Aguilar, Susan Pinkerton, Pam Rishel and Lorie Christian suggested the theme, NM Reads and Researches for the mini-Conference to be held Oct. 16 and 17. The committee has not yet had a chance to meet but will be sending out calls for proposals for the mini-conference soon. They will likely be getting together to look at the conference site.
      Lorie stated that she has seen more interest from vendors for this conference and Allison noted that she has had interest from a vendor in sponsoring the Welcome Reception.

9. SIGS (5 minutes)
a. Renewals

Motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the renewal applications of 7 SIGs that were submitted.

Reforma should be added to the budget. They will submit a renewal form.

b. New SIGs –

One new SIG applied. This was the Rural Libraries Special Interest Group, submitted by Maile McGrew-Frede at Embudo Valley Library.

Motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the Rural Libraries SIG.

Paulita Aguilar was appointed by President Osterloh to be the Board Liaison to this SIG.

10. Representative Reports – please read posted reports. We will not have separate reports for each committee but rather questions or comments as needed.

a. AASL

AASL Report

The application for AASL Affiliate Assembly Re-Affiliation was submitted to AASL. This process is implemented every two years to update information about the Affiliates for AASL. As of December 7, 2007 there are 86 AASL members in NM. Forty three librarians belong to AASL and NMLA. There are forty one librarians who belong to AASL but not to NMLA. Two NM AASL members were listed as neither members or non-members of NMLA.

From Region VI (NM, TX, OK, and AR) Cassandra G. Barnett was elected President-elect of AASL. Cassandra is a certified high school librarian in Arkansas. AASL’s 2008 Fall Forum is now open for registration. The forum will be held October 17 – 19, 2008 in Oak Brook, Illinois. Oak Brook, Illinois is located approximately 25 miles from downtown Chicago. Visit http://www.ala/aasl/fallforum to download the registration form or to register online. The topic of the upcoming forum is “Assessment, Part II: Constructing and Interpreting Viable Tools for Effective Student Learning in the Library Media Center”.

Respectfully submitted,
Allison E. Almquist

b. MPLA

MPLA Representative Report

June 2008

Lynette Schurdevin MPLA state representative

MPLA’s new logo!

The annual MPLA conference was held jointly with Utah Library Association on April 20 – May 2, 2008 in Salt Lake City.

Highlights of the conference include the unveiling of the new MPLA logo shown above. Newly elected officers began their terms with Roy Banks as the new MPLA president. We have a new Portal Administrator, Roy Degler, who will be responsible for managing and organizing the MPLA Community Portal. This will allow more flexibility for online forums.

Several awards were given to outstanding librarians along with the Carl Gaumer Library Champion award presented to Mary Bushing for the “impact she has had on the MPLA region through her many programs …”.

The Leadership Institute is in the process of reorganizing and more information will be available at the fall MPLA board meeting.

MPLA celebrated ten years with a slideshow and birthday bash held at the Salt Lake City Public Library. More information regarding the conference is available on the MPLA website and the MPLA June 2008 newsletter. The link to the MPLA main page is http://www.mpla.us

c. NMLF – No report received.
d. State Librarian – No report received.

11. Committee Reports – please read posted reports. We will not have separate reports for each committee but rather questions or comments as needed.

(5 minutes)
   a. Awards (C. Pierard) No report received
   b. Bylaws (L. Chamberlin) - No report received
   c. Conference Site (M. Royal) - No report received.
   d. Education (S. Jenkins) - No report received.
   e. Intellectual Freedom (C. Kalgeros-Chattan, S. Wilson)

Intellectual Freedom Committee Report
1st Quarter Report, 2008-2009
June 2008

Activities for the quarter for the Intellectual Freedom Committee included:

Evaluation of the NM Library Privacy Act continues, to assess whether it needs to be revised post 9/11. Supreme Court Law Librarian Rob Mead is in the process of surveying other state privacy laws. So far ours stacks up well as is.

A sub-committee has met to develop regional workshops, establishing a curriculum and scheduling the first one for November 13 at Belen Public Library. The workshop will be one-half day and include an overview of all major IF topic; it will be offered free as part of the NMSL continuing education program. Note that the workshops will be offered in lieu of programs at conferences, in an effort to meet people closer to their own turf, with no registration fees required to attend. We are investigating the use of a wiki for the IF website, so that there can be multiple contributors and so that updating will not require the technical skills of a web site designer.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Intellectual Freedom Committee, Charlie Kalogeros-Chattan, Co-Chair; Stephanie Wilson, Co-Chair

f. Legislation (C. Shetter, J. Sabatini)

Legislative Committee

The minutes of the May 22, 2008 Legislation Committee are attached. Here are is our proposed work program for Board consideration:

The Committee agreed to submit the following priorities to the NMLA Executive Board for its 2008-2009 legislative work program.

1. Support the passage of General Obligation Bond Issue B on the November ballot.

2. Work for increased recurring funding for state aid to public libraries, academic library budgets, tribal library programs and the School Library Materials Act.

3. Support full funding for the Rural Library Development Act, working to develop a comprehensive plan for public library funding statewide.

4. Continue to strengthen the legislative network.

5. Continue to fund an NMLA lobbyist.

6. Organize a Library Legislative Day during the 2009 legislative session.

7. Make a presentation to the Legislative Finance Committee about library needs statewide.
g. Membership- No electronic report received.
TJ Urbanski will be resigning as chair. Lorie Christian will fill in until President Osterloh appoints a new chair.
h. Nominations & Elections (L. Boulton)- No electronic report received.
i. Archives-
Since the annual meeting in Las Cruces, Archives has received the remainder of the CD’s that were submitted for the logo contest. No other items to report.
j. Public Relations

Public Relations Committee Report, June 2008
Congratulations to James Carpenter of Farmington (sponsoring library, Farmington Public Library) for winning the NMLA logo contest. Administrator/webmaster Lorie Christian and NMLA Bulletin editor Eileen O’Connell have effectively incorporated the new dynamic and modern logo into NMLA publications.

Announcements for the NMLA 2008 Fall Mini-Conference and 2009 Annual Conference were submitted to American Libraries Online and the ALA web site.

Photos of 2008 Annual Conference activities and award winners were taken and submitted to the NMLA Bulletin and the MPLA Newsletter. Photos of the GO Bond Issue B booth and articles and photos of award winners were featured in the Bulletin.

General news releases on 1) general NMLA award winners and 2) scholarship and school award winners were submitted to media statewide. Releases featuring local award winners were also submitted to community newspapers.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeanette Smith, Chair

   a. NM Reads Trademark – more discussion needed. Tabled.
      There was discussion of whether to trademark the NMLA logo and from what account the fee of $50.00 would be taken. It was determined that this fee would be taken from the Public Relations line item.
      A motion was made, seconded and passed that the organization would trademark the new NMLA logo.
   b. Accountant –
      Motion was made, seconded and passed to accept Administrator’s recommendation of accounting firm of Ricci & Company.

13. Newsletter / Website (5 minutes)
   a. Newsletter editor
      Newsletter editor Eileen O’Connell has resigned. Jeanette Smith will be the interim editor.
      There was discussion regarding how often the newsletter is published and it was decided that the by-laws are conflicting. This issue will be taken up at the October Board meeting.
   b. Bylaws change of newsletter/bulletin name?
      Tabled until next meeting.
   c. Updating of website
      Tabled until next meeting.

14. Dismissal
Motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn the meeting at 11:10 a.m.