CO-8 MPLA Professional Development Committee March 14, 2007

Sandy Barstow was appointed as the new chair of the committee. A telephone meeting was held on February 28, 2007.

The committee accepted the evaluative report from Holly Mercer and approved the payment of \$600.

The regular grant application from Elvita Landau was approved in the amount of \$600 (to be awarded upon approval of her evaluative report).

The regular grant application from Robin Clark was approved in the amount of \$400 (to be awarded upon approval of her evaluative report).

The "Professional Development Grants for MPLA Members" guideline document was presented by Connie Lamb for final approval by the committee. We think this document needs to be approved by the MPLA Administration Committee.

There was a discussion of the length of the term of office for committee members. Judy Zelenski verified that the term is 2 calendar years. Several members of the committee are listed on the website as having terms that expire in 2008, meaning that they will have served three years. At least one member would like to be relieved. This issue needs to be resolved with the MPLA incoming president.