## EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING SUNDAY, JUNE 13, 1999 BIG SKY, MONTANA Draft

#### In Attendance:

Roann Masterson, MPLA president; Linda Rea, Incoming Vice President/President Elect; Kathleen Hallin, MPLA recording secretary; Carol Connor, Past President; Louise Treff-Gangler, Colorado; Theresa Dickson, Oklahoma; Charlene Greenwood, New Mexico; Jane Dotterer, Professional Development; Jerry Koup, representing North Dakota; Donna Jones Morris, Past President's committee; Paula Duffey, Montana; Sylvia Bartak; Nevada; Marquita Boehnke, Children's; Betty Dance, Utah; Mike Mullin, Public Libraries; Joe Edelen, executive secretary; Dan Chaney, New Members Roundtable and Electronic Communications; Blaine Hall, Past President; Venice Beske, Preservation; Brian Greene, Wyoming; Deb Hagemier, South Dakota; Linda McCleary, Arizona; Mike Jaugstetter, State Agencies; Suzanne Taylor, Bylaws; Verne Haselwood, Nebraska; Karen LaBuik, president of PNLA.

#### A. Call to Order:

- 1. President Masterson called the meeting together at 3:15. Welcomes were made and each of the members introduced themselves.
- 2. Approval of minutes

Minutes were corrected. Connor motioned to approve the minutes as corrected. Dickson, seconded the motion. Motion passed.

# B. Big Sky Conference Update

Estimated registration is 475 participants. There are 49 exhibitors and 40 speakers. Hinshaw reported 160 registrants are from out of state. All of the MPLA states are represented. OCLC sponsored the program printing and a break. SIRSI is sponsoring the Exhibitor reception; Ameritech, Gale and the hotel are also sponsoring a break. Hinshaw led the board in a big round of applause for the Montana conference planners. No information is yet available on the monetary outcomes of the conference.

### C. Joint or Tri-Conference reports and updates

- 1. 2000 Nebraska-will offer a full report at Wednesday's meeting. A representative from amazon.com will be at the conference. David Schnek author of Data Smog is also a speaker. The WCHLIS is also meeting in Omaha and would like to partner with the Nebraska/MPLA conference. Connor raised the question of how to split the money for the additional group. Edelen and Nebraska will have further discussions. Hinshaw suggested that we table that conversation until Wednesday.
- 2. 2001 Arizona- will sign contract in November or December of 2000.
- 3. 2002 North Dakota/South Dakota-signed final contract. The conference will be in Fargo on October 2-5. It is a Tri-conference between North Dakota, South Dakota and MPLA.
- 4. 2003 Nevada- The contract is signed for a conference in Lake Tahoe on November 4-9, 2003 at the Hyatt Regency. The room rate is \$99.
- 5. 2004 Colorado- An October conference possibly in Snowmass.
- 6. 2005 Wyoming- MPLA has been invited to come to Wyoming in 2005.
- 7. 2006 New Mexico-Edelen explained that this might be the place for New Mexico to join the conference rotation. The cycle of spring and fall conferences should be analyzed.

#### D. Business

1. Evaluations: Past president Connor led a discussion of performance evaluations for the positions of Executive Secretary and Newsletter editor.

Connor made a motion to renew the Executive Secretary's position for another year. Chaney seconded. All approved.

Connor made a motion to renew the Newsletter Editor's contract for another year. Bartak seconded. All approved.

- 2. PNLA (Pacific Northwest Library Association): Karen Labuik, spoke to the board about the changes in PNLA and the importance of strategic planning for associations.
- 3. Historian- Masterson read a report from the ad hoc committee appointed to look at creating a historian position to the board. Masterson will coordinate with Hinshaw about continuing this ad hoc committee through the coming year.
- 4. Other

Brian Greene offered a detailed, written report about using an Internet Bookseller linked to the MPLA web page. Hinshaw will appoint a committee to pursue the idea.

## E. General reports

1. Executive Secretary/Finance Report:

Edelen presented two financial reports. The first was a revision of the January report. The revision reflects the money for t-shirts and the line item for the Johnson County donation. Edelen and Connor suggested that a committee decide what the guidelines should be for the Johnson County staff development funds.

The second report is for the first five months of this year. The figures for income are incorrect but the expenditures are correct.

Job postings are being added to the MPLA web page and distributed to the MPLA listserv. Edelen has quit updating the jobline. He recommends we disband the phone jobline and continue with the electronic methods. **Mike Mullins so moved and Connor seconded. All approved.** Membership-figures are down again. State reps will receive a list of people who have not renewed so that they can contact past members. Edelen outlined the effort to target individual states with each newsletter mailing.

2. Newsletter: Heidi Nickisch

Since the last issue, Heidi has taken a new job with a new address. Her current address and fax number are on the new June newsletter. She also distributed new business cards to the board. Heidi encouraged all board members to send information about what's happening in their state. She also asked reps to make sure that she be on the state's mailing list for any state agency or association newsletters they may distribute. She reminded the board that the newsletter deadlines are printed in the newsletter. Edelen has revised the logo to include New Mexico.

### F. Committee reports:

- 1. Awards- The committee will present an award to the Johnson County Kansas newspaper.
- 2. Bylaws and Procedures- submitted written report. Taylor's committee submitted replacement pages for bylaw changes, they should be added to our procedure manuals. The committee is also aware of editorial changes that need to be made to include the newest Member State, New Mexico.

Hinshaw motioned that editorial changes to the Bylaws and Procedures be added wherever needed to include the new state, New Mexico. Seconded by Bartak. Approved.

The committee also recommended the addition of the following sentence to Section 6, Committees, page 6.35, MPLA Professional Development Grant Application Section 10e. "Describe other sources of funding that you have sought or intend to use to support this activity." Bartak made a motion to add the sentence. Dickson seconded. Approved.

- 3. Chapter relations-no report
- 4. Continuing education-no report
- 5. Finance-Now have a clean copy of budget
- 6. Intellectual Freedom-no report
- 7. Nominating- Sent out reports of new officers

- 8. Professional Development-prepared annual report. There were 14 applications, 3 were withdrawn, and 10 were approved. 9 had funds released in 1998 for a total of \$2664.00. One was funded in 1999 for \$600.00 and one was carried over to this year.
- 9. Public relations/membership no report
- 10. ECC-Send mistakes that you notice to Chaney, either info or spelling. If you want something posted to the web page send it to Chaney. The committee wants to build up list of ICQ owners to use in MPLA teleconferencing. If you use or have access to ICQ please let the committee know.

### **G. Section Reports**

- 1. Academic-no report
- 2. Children's and school- written report.
- 3. Government Documents-no report
- 4. New Members-no report
- 5. Preservation- written report. Have elected new officers.
- 6. Public Library/Trustee-no report
- 7. State Agency-no report but attend their program on digitization
- 8. Technical services-no report
- 9. Interlibrary loan-no report

### **H. State Reports**

- 1. Arizona Jane Kolbe, former South Dakota state librarian, is now the Library Extension Division Director for the Arizona Department of Library, Archives and Public Records.
- 2. Colorado the state legislature passed library funding but Governor Owens vetoed it. Owens wanted Internet filtering as a stipulation to the funding.
- 3. Kansas written report containing good legislative news. KLA will celebrate its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary at the conference in 2000.
- 4. Montana-Gates gave 1.6 million to libraries in Montana. The Gates Learning Foundation will help 110 public libraries connect to the Internet. Billings public library is going to offer a juvenile card for internet access.
- 5. Nebraska written report. Lincoln public schools won the national school library media specialist system of the year award.
- 6. Nevada-Asked for 2.4 million in state funding; they received 1 million. The new State Librarian is Dale Erquiaga.
- 7. New Mexico -written report. 311 attendees at last conference the next conference is in Taos. New Mexico is a Gates foundation recipient. Working on new strategic plan for the state association.
- 8. North Dakota written report. New legislative money for state databases. Conference is in Fargo.
- 9. Oklahoma -written report. Oklahoma was the first conference to use new MPLA conference booth. Search continues for director of Metropolitan library system.
- 10. South Dakota -written report. Internet filtering bill was modified but Mike Mullins felt like the lone turkey at the shoot as he talked to the legislators. Suzanne Miller is the new state librarian.
- 11. Utah written report. They had a successful conference in May at Cedar City, Utah.
- 12. Wyoming- has a new URL for the organization. <a href="http://www.wyomingweb.net/">http://www.wyomingweb.net/</a> The Wyoming Conference is in Chevenne in October.

#### I. Announcements:

Hinshaw is looking for chairs for interlibrary loan and intellectual freedom.

Edelen asked for electronic reports from this meeting.

Masterson thanked Connor for helping out during the year. She presented lovely MPLA letter openers to the board.

Membership meeting will be Tuesday from 1:30-2:30

The meeting adjourned at 6:15.