MPLA Executive Board Luncheon Meeting Minutes
Oklahoma City, OK

April 21, 2010

Present: Elvita Landau, President; Eileen Wright, Past President; Dana Braccia, Vice-President/President-Elect; Mike Mullin, South Dakota Rep; Mickey Coalwell, Kansas Rep; Basha Hartley, Oklahoma Rep; Wayne Hanway, Bylaws Committee; Judy Zelenski, Executive Secretary and Newsletter Editor; Dan Stanton, Leadership Institute Committee; Deb McCarthy, Wyoming Rep; Annie Epperson, Communications Committee; Roy Degler, Community Portal Administrator; Dan Chaney, Webmaster; David Alexander, Professional Development Committee; Al Peterson, North Dakota Rep; Pam Henley, Montana Rep; Dorothy Horan, Utah Rep; Theresa Jehlik, Nebraska Rep; LeAnn Weller, New Mexico Rep; Megan Tomeo, Membership Committee Chair

Absent: Florica Hagendorn, Nevada Rep; Steven Decker, Awards Committee Chair; Mary Katherine Katzer, Colorado Rep

President Elvita Landau called the meeting to order at 11:35 a.m.

Introductions included an icebreaker - where each attendee was from and the title of a recent good book that had been read.

Agenda was approved.

Minutes of the April 18th, 2010 meeting were approved as corrected.

Elvita noted that 90+ MPLA members were in attendance at the MPLA/OLA conference.

Next meeting: mid/late July, teleconference

Long Range Plan Draft

Discussion: new/revised mission statement, goals reduced from 6 to 4; as part of new plan, suggested effort to provide memberships to all State Association Presidents, State Librarians, and Deans of Libraries/Library Science Programs. Mickey requested that this effort wait until after membership and budget numbers were in for the coming year. Draft plan approved (David A. moved, Mike seconded).

Budget

Eileen reported that there was nothing new, no report. Judy noted that the budget is on the website.

Newsletter

Judy stated the deadline for the next newsletter is May 1st—all members are invited to submit pictures, columns, conference photos, etc.

Manual of Procedure

Wayne asked everyone (especially committee chairs) to take a look at the Manual of Procedure and communicate with him directly with any questions/comments. Revision requests need to be submitted by the 1st of October and must be approved by the Board.

Communications Committee

Annie discussed the new MPLA Wikipedia article and encouraged members to look at it and potentially revise for more "importance." Also discussed web conferencing software—Dan C. remembers a study from 5+ years ago, Roy suggested Airset or Zoho (cautioned against Google Docs). Dan S. wondered about downloading issues, different IT setups across membership. Annie, Roy, and Dan C. will continue working on this.

Nominating Committee

Mike would like suggestions from State Reps

Leadership Institute Committee

Dan S. is making sure the process/details are being written down and is doing research on constituents' use of vendors

Professional Development

David noted that there is a draft of a survey available on the website

Announcement: Elvita will be in touch about July meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.