MPLA General Membership Meeting

Draft Minutes

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

April 21, 2010 8:45 -9:45 am

45 members present.

President Eileen Wright called the meeting to order.

Minutes of the 2009 General Membership Meeting were approved.

Announcement that the amendments to the bylaws would be available online for voting after May 13.

Judy Zelenski, executive secretary, reported that the financial situation is stable. The organization made money last year and did not have to dig into the reserves. It was proposed however, that the Leadership Institute expenses may change this. Membership numbers are going down, please encourage others to join. Of the 650 attending the conference, there were over 90 MPLA members present.

Wayne Hanway, Oklahoma local events chairperson, encouraged members to come to conference as a way to help fund the organization.

President Wright stated that the next conference will be held in 2011 in Billings, Montana, where she has already met with leadership.

The Leadership Institute is happening. The MLS restriction was dropped, as well as the 5-15 years employed in a library time restriction. Judy Zelenski will be the conference coordinator. Thanks to Dan Stanton committee chairperson. Maureen Sullivan is the facilitator.

The Newsletter will be published only online for a year which will save the organization about \$6000.

The executive board meeting in Denver will be cancelled this year for a savings of \$3000.

The Board Choice award will be discontinued.

There are three round tables in existence – Hot tub, public service, and technical stuff. New elists will be formed for these round tables.

Eileen extended her thanks to those leaving the board and welcomed newcomers to the board.

Eileen presented the gavel to Elvita Landau from Brookings South Dakota.