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Conference Update

2012 Conference

The tri conference that MPLA held with the Nebraska Library Association and the Nebraska School Library Association was a great success. There were 104 MPLA members, 32 MPLA/NLA members, and 12 MPLA/NLA/NSLA in attendance.

2013 Conference

The planning for the 2013 Conference is well underway. The conference theme is *The Library: All Travelers Welcome* and conference proposals are currently being accepted.

2014 Conference Planning

Planning has already begun for the 2014 conference to be held in Phoenix, AZ. The planning committee will be doing site visits later this month.

Newsletter Editor

Judy Zelenski resigned as Newsletter Editor in October 2012 and the position was posted on the MPLA website in early November. The administrative committee met via conference call in December to discuss the applicants for the MPLA Newsletter Editor position. The committee decided on a candidate and the candidate's name will be recommended to the Executive Committee for confirmation. Once confirmed the candidate will work with Judy Zelenski for a smooth transition between editors.

Long-Range Plan

No additional comments for the long-range plan have been presented, so the plan will stand as presented to the Executive Committee October 17, 2012.

New Task Force

Nicole Sump-Crethar has been asked to chair a group focused on bring Interest Groups back into MPLA. She will provide a report on the group's process at the January 2013 meeting.

Leadership Institute

Anali Perry and Adriane Juarez will co-chair the Leadership Institute Committee. See their report for more information.

Committees

The chairs of MPLA's committees were presented with a list of new members interested in serving on their committees. It was left to the chair to decide if more committee members would be needed. The chairs are now directing their committee members on the work necessary to support the mission of MPLA. More information on the work of the various committees can be found in the committee reports.

Executive Board members were asked to provide updates on their sections of the Manual of Procedure. Elvita Landau has incorporated these edits into the manual and they will be discussed at the January meeting

Joint Conference Program Planning Checklist

Several former vice-presidents who have been involved with conference planning met via conference call to discuss the Conference Planning Manual section of the MOP. It was decided that since every state which co-hosts conferences with MPLA plans its conference differently that a checklist might be more valuable for the MPLA vice-president to use as a guideline have to assist with the MPLA portion of the planning. To that end Wayne Hanway and Judy Zelenski produced a more abbreviated checklist. This checklist will be presented at the January meeting.

ALA Charge

MPLA has joined with a host of other library organizations in supporting the joint statement on e-content pricing. Thanks to Roy Degler for setting up the online poll for Executive Board members to vote on this charge.