

O-2 Vice-President's Report
MPLA Board Meeting
July 22, 2013

MPLA/SDLA/NDLA 2013 Tri-conference Update:

The Tri-Conference Program Planning Committee met via telephone on Wednesday, June 26th and discussed the following issues:

Association Meetings:

Association membership meetings are all scheduled in various rooms on Thursday at 7:30 am. Association Board meetings are scheduled as follows:

- MPLA – Wednesday, 1:00 pm -3:45 pm
- NDLA – Wednesday, 7:00 pm-8:00 pm
- SDLA – Wednesday, 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Vendors:

As of June 24th, we have 54 vendors signed up for the conference. There is room for a few more but it's filling up quickly. In addition, vendor sponsorships total \$8,250 so far (OCLC, Ex Libris, Thomson Teuters, University of Mississippi SLIS, EBSCO, and Agati). In addition, Emporia will be providing lanyards for attendees.

Awards Banquet:

The Tri-Conference Awards Banquet will be held on Thursday evening. The Master of Ceremonies will be Ronelle Thompson from Augustana College and who is also the Local Arrangements Chair for the conference. We need to let them know what awards we will be presenting that night. In addition, we may want to consider giving award winners flowers in addition to the award plaque since that is what SDLA will be doing. There will be a special recognition of Bill DeJohn at the banquet as well.

Shuttle Service:

A shuttle sponsored by Agati will be provided on Wednesday night for the library tours. In addition, a shuttle will be provided on Thursday night for the Dessert Reception at the Washington Pavilion.

This is shaping up to be a terrific conference! I look forward to seeing you all in Sioux Falls!

Wendy Wendt
MPLA President-Elect