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MPLA Board Report ND Representative Sally Dockter

The ND Library Association met in Jamestown for the December Board meeting. The September annual conference will be held in Jamestown this year.

The North Dakota Biennial Legislative Session is now in session. Three pieces of legislation that involve libraries include:

A bill to restore State Aid dollars to public libraries after the Attorney General reinterpreted the Law which resulted in the loss of funding. Another request is to increase State Aid to public libraries. ND is below the national norm in funding public libraries. A third request is to provide retroactive funding for the money that was lost.

Besides exhibiting at the NDLA Conference, the ND State Library sponsors booths at the Tribal Leadership X Conference, the ND School Board Association Conference, the ND Optometric Association conference, and the ND Education association Conference.

Other than that we are just trying to stay warm. -41 wind chill this morning.