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Stephen Boss, Wyoming Representative

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MPLA Activities

- Attended March 2015 MPLA Board Meeting via Teleconference
- Submitted news to MPLA newsletter about Wyoming libraries

WLA Activities

- Contributed to the WLA Conference scheduled for later this year by developing an online form seeking program submissions;
- State government in Wyoming has been hit with a series of severe budget cuts. Wyoming does not tax income. Instead it relies on proceeds from mineral and energy commodity extraction proceeds. As we all know coal, natural gas and resources have experienced substantive price downturns. As the result, budgets for libraries have been severely impacted. The Executive Board of WLA has been discussing the cancellation of our yearly conference. This year the conference was to be held this September at the Snow King Resort in Jackson. Conference program submissions are way down and travel budgets have been cut. We have not decided to officially cancel as of yet but are leaning towards that reality.

Respectfully submitted,

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