

Board of Trustees Meeting
October 19, 2005
Nevada Library Association Annual Conference
Harrah's Hotel and Casino
Reno, Nevada

Voting members present: Ian Campbell, President; Kim Clanton-Green, President-Elect; Felton Thomas, Immediate Past President; Patrick Dunn, Executive Secretary; Joanne Ross, Treasurer; Tammy Giesecking, Southern District; Anne Aas, NSCLS; Mona Reno, Northwest District.

Voting Members absent: Gregory Robinson , NCRL and REFORMA; (vacant), Northeast District Chair.

Non-Voting/Advisory and other members present: Sara Jones, State Librarian; Vickie Nozero, ALA Delegate; Martha Greene, MPLA Representative; Debbie Jacobs, NYRA; Holly Van Valkenburgh, Library Planning; Tom Fay, PLATO; Vickie Barnett, RAISON; Susan Williams, NNAG; Mary Lohnes, Finance chair; Joan Vaughan, NLA webmaster; Joyce Cox, Membership; Ann Jarrell, Recording Secretary.

(Sign in sheet attached.)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Ian Campbell, President of the Association called the meeting to order at 2:45 pm.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Ann Jarrell requested addition of an agenda item concerning interim activities of the association. Joanne Ross moved to accept the agenda; Kim Clanton-Green seconded; passed.

3. MINUTES OF JANUARY 26TH MEETING / INTERIM ACTIVITIES OF THE BOARD

Felton Thomas moved to accept the minutes, subject to minor revisions. Joanne Ross seconded; passed

4. UPDATES and REPORTS FROM OFFICERS AND BOARD

NYRA: Debbie Jacobs reported that the NYRA Breakfast is nearly sold out. (Handout attached) She also reported that the NYRA website works well and recommends that the group work on increasing activity in the YA categories next year. She noted that some winners of the NYRA award were determined by a single vote. Mona Reno reports that 71 Washoe County School District teachers are coming to the conference.

2006 Conference: Kim Clanton-Green reported that the Texas Station has been chosen as the site for the conference, that the Aliente Library (North Las Vegas Library District) will host the President's Event, that the conference will be hold August 1-5 to allow Clark County School District teachers/librarians to attend and that Leo Segura has agreed to be Conference chair.

Treasurer: Joanne Ross provided conference and operating budget reports (attached) She noted

that the association must absorb the cost of the using Memberclicks when an on-line registrant decides to cancel. Use of Memberclicks has cost the association \$941.11 to date. She also noted that most NLA conference monies are still outstanding and that registration is not yet broken down by event. To encourage school librarians and staff to attend, NLA waived membership fees for first time attendees.

Mona Reno commented to Membership Chair Joyce Cox that perhaps it will be possible to track who joins the association as a result of the waiver of fees for a first time attendee; Felton Thomas suggested a follow up letter might be sent.

Joan Vaughan noted that Memberclicks is designed to create a one-year membership no matter when one joins. In response, Kim Clanton-Green commented that it may be time to make appropriate changes to the bylaws, with agreement from Sara Jones.

Southern District: Tammy Geisking, chair, stated that the group has struggled to find an event which would draw librarians from across specialties but had good success with sponsoring a barbeque in conjunction with attending a play at Spring Mountain State Park

NLA Website: Joan Vaughn, NLA webmaster, reported on implementing Memberclicks for the conference. The software uses the membership database to display different information to registrants; the software seems to work well for group registration and then individuals can add personal payment for additional events. She explained that the existing membership database in Excel was loaded into Memberclicks and that some errors may have been transferred to the new system. Joyce Cox, Membership committee chair, asked that membership errors be reported to her for correction.

NSCLS: Ann Aas, chair, requested a by-laws change to allow funds for the NSCLS committee chair to attend AASL national meetings; she noted that AASL will be meeting in Reno/Tahoe in the fall of 2007. Discussion followed.

ALA Delegate: Vicki Nozero reported on National Legislative Day in Washington DC. Delegates met with members of the House of Representatives, but were unable to meet with the Senate as they were in recess. The delegates passed a resolution commending Henderson District Public Libraries on its recent Guinness World Record attempt (continuous reading) Nevada Library Association members who attended: Ian Campbell, Kim Clanton-Green, Sara Jones, Vicki Nozero, and Dan Walters. Lucille Adin, chair of the Washoe County Library District Board of Trustees also attended.

University of North Texas Master in Library and Information Science: Sara Jones, Nevada State Library and Archives, reported that the University of North Texas is organizing the 2006 cohort of students for its on-line MLIS program. NSLA grants will not be available for this group of students, but will made available for the 2007 group. The most recent graduates of the program will attend an event on Saturday.

Nevada Library Association License Plate: Sara Jones reported only 400 plates have been reserved and 1000 must be reserved by April 2006 in order for the plate to go into production. An organized marketing plan is not yet in place, but Borders Bookstores is interested in

assisting. She noted that a push for plate reservations might yield enough money to provide some grants to the 2006 MLIS program participants. She indicated she would be willing to serve on the marketing committee.

ALA Legislative Day: Sara Jones reported that the association provided financial assistance for Scott Cisco, Bernice Matthews, and Mois Denis to attend. All will receive a crystal book as an award for their library advocacy.

Audit of Association finances: Sara Jones provided a letter from a CPA firm; the firm made some suggestions about instituting an audit of the association's finances.

NNAG: Susan Williams announced that NNAG is sponsoring a program on audio books at the conference.

Northwest District: Mona Reno reported that the District sponsored an event with Laura Golod and Debbie McGuire on communications.

Conference Attendance: Mona Reno reported that 511 persons are registered to date for the conference. Of these, 174 registered for the full conference. 274 registrants are non-members. Joyce Cox, Membership Committee chair, reported that Memberclicks shows 279 persons are members of the association. Joyce also suggested that the duties of the Membership committee may need to be revised.

MPLA: Martha Greene, MPLA representative, provided a informational handout on the activities of the association.

5. NEW BUSINESS

1. Future Conferences: Felton Thomas suggested that the Board consider change the location of the 2007 conference so that our association can meet in conjunction with the AASL conference in Reno that year. The board tentative agreed to the recommendation, conditioned on a report from Ann Aas, NCLSC chair, at the winter board meeting.

The board agreed to defer discussion of the following agenda items until the next meeting.

2. Full-Time Lobbyist
3. Audit Committee Recommendations
4. Association Management

ADJOURNMENT: Felton Thomas moved to adjourn; Mon Reno seconded; meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann S. Jarrell
Recording Secretary

attachments