

**New Mexico Library Association    Minutes    January 25, 2008**  
**Rio Rancho Public Library,    755 Loma Colorado Dr. NE**

I.        Call to order – welcome, introductions, administrative business  
President Hoffman called the meeting to order at 1:20 PM. Members present introduced themselves: Valerie Nye, Anne Lefkofsky, Marion Royal, Alison Almquist, Stephanie Wilson, Charlie Kalogeros-Chattan, Cassandra Osterloh, Dinah Jentson, Paulita Acquilar, Kyle Henderson, Phyllis Reed, Lorie Christian, Louise Hoffman.

A. Approval of the agenda

Motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the agenda.

B. Secretary's report

Motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the minutes of the last meeting as posted on the NMLA website.

Electronic Report:

A motion was made, seconded and passed for the NMLA Executive Board to approve the President's appointment of Clyde Henderson, Library director at Navajo Technical College, as interim Treasurer of NMLA to finish out the position left vacant by Joe Becker who moved to George Mason University.

A motion was made, seconded and passed for the conference proposal presented by Marian Royal for the 2009NMLA Conference to be accepted.

C. Treasurer's report

The current, total assets is down from the 2006 statement by \$4,254.68. The total liabilities & equity is down from last year also at \$3,947.67. This information is from the NMLA Statement of Financial Position dated December 31, 2007.

The projected budget for July 2007 – June 2008 will create a net income of \$24,241.56.

Clyde Henderson passed out the Statement of Financial Position and Profit/Loss/Actual statement.

Motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the Treasurer's Report.

D. Administrative report

Lori Christian reiterated that the logo contest is being judged today and mentioned an incorrect membership amount listed on a copy that was found in the conference papers.

Electronic Report:

NMLA – Vice President / President-Elect

Report, January 2008

Submitted by Cassandra Osterloh

I worked with the Program Committee to finalize the scheduling of programs. I went to Las Cruces on January 18. I met with Diana at Corbett Center as well as a large number of the Local Arrangements Committee. It was a great trip. There was a lot of energy in the room.

I have been working on going through the committees to see whose terms are up and looking for people to fill those vacancies. I have also been working on getting committee chairs assigned. I have about 1/3 of the chairs taken care of. I also have worked on the schedule for Board meetings and am finalizing meeting room spaces for those dates.

## II. Conference Planning Update

### A. Annual conference

Cassandra Osterloh reported that she had visited Corbett Center to get the information listed below in her electronic report and handed out a schedule of the sessions.

Motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the program as presented.

A discussion of registration and fees took place.

Pre Conference Fees:     ½ Day \$30 members, \$50 non-members

Full Day \$40 members and \$60 non-members

Full Conference Fees:    Early: \$75 members and \$100 non-members

After March 15: \$100 members and \$125 non-members

On-site: \$125 members and \$150 non-members

Retirees & Students: \$45

Daily Fees:

Thursday or Friday:

Early: \$50 members and \$75 non-members

After March 15: \$60 members and \$85 non-members

On-site: \$85 members and \$110 non-members

Retirees & Students: \$25

Special Events: Awards

Motion was made, seconded and passed to accept these registration fees as stated above.

A discussion to place regarding prices of meals:

Awards Dinner Thursday: \$25.00 per person

Youth Literature Luncheon Friday: \$16.00 per person

Box Lunch Tickets will be provided by NMLA at 2 per booth

Motion was made, seconded and passed to accept these fees for meals as presented above.

Electronic Report:

Annual Conference Report

Program Committee

The Program Committee has gone through the proposals and made the selections for both pre-conference and regular conference sessions. The presenters were sent acceptance or declination letters. Those accepted were asked to submit final wording on titles and descriptions for the printed program. The printed program is being worked on now. The slate of sessions will be presented at the NMLA Board meeting on January 25, for approval. The Keynote Speakers, Dr. Loreine Roy and Greg Notess, as well as the emcee for the Awards Dinner, Dr. Mary Bushing, have all been contacted to verify attendance. We are working with them on making hotel contacts and to make sure they have everything they need. Our Youth Services Lunch speaker is Jeanne DuPrau, Land of Enchantment winner for her book City of Ember. The publisher is taking care of travel expenses.

Local Arrangements Committee

Pre-conferences and registration are set up for Wednesday. Exhibitors will be arriving to setup their booths on Wednesday. Corbett Center will have parking spots by the doors set aside in the morning for unloading. The opening reception will be Wednesday evening from 5:30pm until 7:00pm. It will be located in the Exhibits Hall. There will various hot and cold hors d'oeuvres, beverages, and entertainment (Oñate High School's Mariachi Band). A Dine-Around for the evening is also being worked on.

Thursday morning will continue registration, exhibits will open at 8:00am, and there will be coffee and food available for all. This will be the same on Friday, and the exhibitors will stay until 3:00pm (by contract). The Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce will be manning the Hospitality Table at the Registration Desk.

The Awards Dinner on Thursday evening will be at the conference hotel – Best Western Mesilla Valley Inn. We will begin the evening at 5:00pm with cocktails (cash bar) and entertainment from the Las Cruces High School Modern Aires singers. At 6:00pm, dinner will be served and the festivities will begin. We will honor our award recipients throughout the evening as well as enjoy wonderful stories and such from Dr. Mary Bushing.

The Youth Services Lunch on Friday will feature author Jeanne DuPrau. As attendees enter, they will be serenaded by the Mayfield High School Singers. A social event is being planned for Friday evening at the St. Clair Bistro (more details to come).

E-permits for parking are available for attendees. They will need to print one out for each day they will be there and can then park at any non-marked (handicapped, service vehicles, etc.) spot. This information will appear on the website.

Free wireless Internet access will be available to all attendees. They will also be able to use the computers in Corbett Center. LAC and the IT department are working on getting a username and password for all (one for all of us). LAC is also working on getting access to the computer classroom in Zuhl Library (a short walk away).

Lorie is working on getting El Paso Display for the exhibit spaces, and security is being set up through Corbett Center at \$35.00 an hour.

Susan Pinkerton, co-chair of LAC, is offering a one credit hour class through Doña Ana Branch Community College, for students to volunteer at the conference and get that experience. We will not know the numbers of students until March.

LAC will be working on sending out postcards to members and libraries statewide to get them psyched up for the conference.

B. Mini-conference report

The electronic report stands.

#### Electronic Report:

The NMLA Mini Conference was held October 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>, 2007. The NMLA Board Meeting was held on the morning of the 11<sup>th</sup> and tours and sessions began that afternoon. This was the first year this 1.5 day conference was offered at the Mini Conference.

Attendance (including speakers) was 161 (Academic - 42; Public - 28; School - 60; Special - 13; Other - 18). The conference income was \$7,225 with \$5,131.82 in expenses. The expenses were primarily for food. Thanks to the generosity of Ruben Aragon and the New Mexico Highlands administration, we did not have to pay any money for space. The conference showed a profit of \$2,093.18.

We had an incredible amount of help from the librarians in the Las Vegas area. Local librarians arranged an historic tour of Las Vegas' downtown, the Highlands Campus, and Fort Union. Except for the Fort Union tour, these tours were well attended.

Sessions were also very well attended on Thursday afternoon. Our fear that people might not show up until Friday, was unrealized. People arrived early to attend both tours and sessions.

The Thursday evening reception sponsored by the New Mexico Library Foundation was successful with a large turnout. Along with food, attendees had the opportunity to play Librarian Bingo and enter to win prizes sponsored by the New Mexico Library Foundation. Survey respondents say they would like to have wine at future receptions.

The dine-around on Thursday night was a big success and was totally arranged by local librarians.

Janet Maes from Luna Community College arranged to have a screening of the Hollywood Librarian at 9pm on Thursday evening. With the unpredictable time issues involved in the dine-around we choose this later time. While it was late in the evening, attendance at this event was high. The coffee shop where the screening was held was at capacity with over 60 people. Janet arranged to have door prize drawings at the screening.

Survey respondents would have liked to have had the screening earlier and many survey respondents say they would have attended an earlier screening.

The breakfast on Friday was sponsored by Perma-Bound and the Mayor of Las Vegas welcomed the conference attendees. The casual breakfast buffet at tables seemed to allow a lot of conversation and networking. We had planned to have the breakfast as a “stand up” breakfast near the registration table, but this set-up worked very well in the end.

There were numerous room changes due to several complicated factors beyond the control of the Members-at-Large. Even though great attempts were made to secure rooms prior to the days of the conference, the final room arrangements were not finalized until October 11<sup>th</sup>. The staff at Highlands worked to make signs and provide directions – but room issues were the biggest area to “fix” mentioned on the post-conference survey.

We heard numerous comments about the friendliness of the Las Vegas community. People had positive experiences at their hotels, with Las Vegas traffic (stopping so we could cross the street!), in the Donnelly Library, on the Highlands campus, and with the downtown store owners.

We heard many positive comments in the survey and at the conference about the food service we used at Highlands. The meals were all delivered on time and as we expected.

Some important information we gathered from the post conference survey.

- ✘ Over 78% of the people responding said they attended on both Thursday and Friday.
- ✘ 95% of the responding people said they attended sessions and 91% of the respondents said the session length at 1 hour was “just right.”
- ✘ Almost 69% of the respondents said they visited the vendors and 77% said they would like to see more vendors at mini conferences in the future.
- ✘ Over 92% of the respondents said they would like to see the 1.5 day format again next year.
- ✘ Respondents on the survey had many positive comments about the quality of sessions and the wide range of issues available in the sessions.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paulita Aguilar  
Jennifer Brown  
Valerie Nye  
Laurie Treat

C. Site Selection Committee

Marian Royal reviewed the information reported electronically and gave details of locked in costs. She is currently negotiating 2010 to be April 7-8-9 with The Lodge in Ruidoso. Fall of 2008 we are hoping to have the mini-conference in Gallup.

Electronic Report: Conference Site Selection Committee Report

In December, the committee chair received and forwarded to the Board a Letter of Intent from the Albuquerque Convention and Visitor's Bureau and a Group Sales Agreement from the Hyatt Regency Albuquerque for our 2009 Annual Conference, to be held April 22 – April 24. The LOI's were accepted, signed by President Louise Hoffman and returned to respective sales representatives. We are now awaiting official contracts and preparing to make appropriate deposits to hold the spaces. I will now be canceling our tentative contracts with Sandia Resort.

The committee chair has had some discussions with librarians from the Gallup area regarding holding our 2008 mini-conference in that location. We are currently searching for a venue in Gallup that can accommodate the event. The committee chair is planning a site visit to the area in late January or early February.

The committee chair made a site visit to the Ruidoso Convention Center and The Lodge at Sierra Blanca in Ruidoso in December. We are currently negotiating a contract to hold our 2010 Annual Conference in the location. The Convention Center is very nice and located across the parking lot from the hotel with lots of free and convenient parking. The hotel has quoted very reasonable rates for plush, upscale accommodations. The only limitation at this point seems to be that we would be able to hold only 6 concurrent sessions due to the size of the CC.

Respectfully submitted: Marian Royal, Chair      Conference Site  
Selection Committee

III. Logo contest

Members were asked to turn in their voting packets for the first round by the end of the meeting. After final voting we will announce the winner at the Spring Conference.

#### IV. Committee Reports:

##### A. AASL Representative

Alison Almquist noted that it is very important in the No Child Left Behind Act that the Skills Act still be included. Go to the legislative link on the NMLA website for information.

##### Electronic Reports:

AASL is moving to an easier to use and read blog format. They would like a school librarian from NM to volunteer as a reporter. The purpose of the AASL blog is to provide information in a focused and flexible format about programs, conferences, projects, association news, resources and of activities of interest to AASL members and others in the K-12 library media community.

The "AASL School Libraries Count!" first annual longitudinal survey generated about 5000 responses. The survey is designed to provide data on the health of the nation's school library media programs. To view the report of the 2007 results, visit: <http://www.ala.org/ala/aasl/slcsurvey.cfm>

The second annual AASL Longitudinal Survey will be conducted between January 11 and March 1, 2008. The brief survey has 20 questions and covers the library media center's hours, staff, selected staff activities, collection, technology, usage, and expenditures. The statistics will provide AASL and other advocates for school library media programs with data about the current and changing status of library media programs and library media specialists nationwide. All K-12 schools, public and private, are invited to participate at: <http://www.aaslsurvey.org>

The Advocacy for School Libraries SIG will be submitting the 2008 paperwork to the AASL Affiliate Assembly for Re-Affiliation. This process is implemented every two years to update information about the Affiliates for AASL. As of December 7, 2007 there are 86 AASL members in NM.

J. Linda Williams, past president of AASL, is running for ALA President. Her website is: <http://www.electlindawilliams.org> Syliva K. Norton, from Maine, is running for AASL President-Elect Cassandra Barnet, from Arkansas and Region VI, is also running for AASL President-Elect. The ALA Election Polls will open on March 17 and will close on April 24. In

order to be eligible to vote, Your ALA and AASL membership must be current as of January 31. You can check your membership status online at <http://www.ala.org> or by calling 1-800-545-2433, x 5.

Respectfully submitted: Alison Almquist

New Mexico Reads:

Report on New Mexico Reads reading and literacy campaign by Laurie Treat

At the mini-conference a presentation on how to use New Mexico Reads was presented to attendees. New Mexico Reads will be again presented to the NMLA state conference in Las Cruces with more poster examples (and perhaps hands-on opportunity for librarians to create their own posters- if access to a computer lab).

Thanks to Lori the New Mexico Reads link from the NMLA Web page is operable for author pictures and logo downloads.

Information on the process of registering a trademark for New Mexico Reads:

"Trademark" means any word, name, symbol, device, or any combination of these used by a person to identify and distinguish the goods of the person, including a unique product, from those manufactured or sold by others, and to indicate the source of the goods, even if that source is unknown. (57-3B-3(H))NMSA--From Secretary of State Web site  
<http://www.sos.state.nm.us/displayinner.asp?id=139>

Copyright must be registered with the Federal Government and covers artistic, literary, and musical works.

To register a New Mexico Reads trademark an application will need to be completed that will include three specimens, and a \$25.00 fee. Lori's help may be requested to help make sure the application process represents NMLA's correct entity, addresses, etc. The three specimens and other similar requirements can be generated from the NMLA's New Mexico Reads Web site.

To best fit our New Mexico Reads project/campaign I believe we should register the words "New Mexico Reads" so that any logo using the three

words may be used in the course of the campaign. This type of trademark registration would be termed “words only no logo.”

Thaddeus Bejnar provided his expert help with questions about registering a trademark.

- If possible please place the request to approve the application for a trademark of New Mexico Reads for the NMLA on the agenda.

Respectfully submitted by Laurie Treat      Aztec High School Librarian  
B. NM Library Foundation

Electronic Report:

New Mexico Library Foundation Annual Report  
Submitted to New Mexico Library Association  
Board Meeting – January 25, 2008  
Rio Rancho Library

On behalf of the Trustees of the New Mexico Library Foundation, I would like to thank you for inviting us to share our past year’s activities with you. We appreciate your continued support, and it is a pleasure to be here.

The following is a brief outline of the Foundation’s work to raise funds in order to provide direct grants to libraries in New Mexico during 2007.

- NMLF grants of \$1000 were awarded to:  
New Mexico State University – El Dia de los Ninos \$1000  
Embudo Valley Library – Get a Clue Summer Reading Program  
\$1000

Libri Grants to Virden Public Library \$350      Bayard Public  
Library \$350

- The Foundation was proud to be the sponsor of the Evening Reception which was held at the NMLA Mini-Conference in Las Vegas October 11-12. Thank you for asking us to take part.
- The second Donor Event was held at the Alan Houser Sculpture Garden in Santa Fe. More than 70 guests attended. Refreshments included wine, chili con queso, chips and dips, fresh fruit and brownies. They were served on a patio over-looking sculptures set among pinons. Pianist Robert Lah performed at the keyboard. Authors Dr. Marc Simmons, Dr. David Caffey, Kathy Barco and Valerie Nye joined the celebration and autographed books. A silent auction raised

\$850. Contributors included The Bishops Lodge Ranch and Spa, The Santa Fe Opera, Santa Café and The Shed, restaurants in Santa Fe. The Bell Group of Albuquerque also made a generous donation. An Allan Houser lithograph was offered for sale, and it was purchased by Barbara and Richard Van Dongen, who are strong supporters of the Foundation.

- The exhibit *One Book At A Time*, based on the book by the same title, was exhibited in the NM State Capitol during Legislative Day on January 24, 2008.
- The Foundation is working closely with Joe Sabatini, member of the Go Bond Steering Committee. Owen Ellard, Director of the New Mexico Tech Library is the Foundation Representative. The Foundation has committed to helping to disperse information about the importance of the bond's success when it is needed.
- Trustees Barbara Lah, Brooke Sheldon, and Caroline Beckner presented the second grant-writing workshop at the NMLA Mini-Conference in Las Vegas. The objective was to encourage grant applications. Another workshop will be presented in Las Cruces at the NMLA Annual Conference April 9-11, 2008.
- Short articles and advertisements have been submitted to the NMLA newsletter. These recent ads have increased interest in both NMLF and Libri grants.
- Trustees Barbara Van Dongen and Barbara Lah published a fall issue of the NMLF newsletter which highlighted the organization's activities during 2007. It was sent to 800 donors.
- A memorial to librarian Nancy Ebling was formalized this year. Under an arrangement between the Foundation and the ASL-SIG, contributions funding the memorial will be held by the Foundation until requests for distribution are received from them. The funds will be used to purchase collections of Land of Enchantment books in honor of Nancy Ebling, who had the idea for building a special collection of books of outstanding literary quality for New Mexico's youth. At this time, the Foundation holds \$2,160 in contributions.
- Serious consideration has been given to joining the New Mexico Community Foundation. Richard Akeroyd, former State Librarian, set up a fund for the State Library in the NMCF and encouraged the Foundation to do so, also. After undertaking a careful study of the by-laws, we made a decision to join. Benefits include possible donations,

a better interest rate on Foundation funds and increased Foundation recognition.

- The by-laws of the Foundation have been reviewed and updated. The number of trustees has been increased from nine to thirteen. This increase is felt to be necessary because the amount of Foundation work continues to increase. At the present time, there are nine trustees serving on the board. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a trustee, please ask them to contact Caroline Beckner at [www.beckner99@yahoo.com](mailto:www.beckner99@yahoo.com), or contact any of the Trustees.
- Please visit our new website at [www.NM-LF.org](http://www.NM-LF.org). The Foundation mission, guidelines, and online grant request forms are available. Requests can be submitted electronically.
- A Development Plan 2008 is currently under construction. It will be based on an electronic survey that was sent to 761 libraries in New Mexico and included academic, public, school, special and private libraries. If you would like information about the results, we will be happy to share them.
- Angela Matzelle, fundraiser for the new Southside Library in Santa Fe, has agreed to serve as a consultant to the Foundation in the development of our new fund-raising plan.
- Serious thought is being given to meeting twice a year and conferencing by telephone for the remainder of the year's meetings. This would make it possible to have trustees from different parts of the state.

I'd like to thank each of the Trustees for their hard work and significant contributions. If you have any questions or comments, I would be happy to receive them.

The slate of officers for 2008 will be:

Chairman, Caroline Beckner  
Vice Chairman, Barbara Van Dongen  
Secretary, Barbara Lah  
Brian Ivener, Treasurer

Trustees:

Kathryn Albrecht  
Owen Ellard, Go Bond Representative

Louise Hoffman, NMLA President  
Brian Ivener, Treasurer  
Barbara Lah, Secretary  
Angela Matzelle, Consultant  
Valerie Nye  
Charlie Seavy  
Brooke Sheldon

Respectfully submitted on behalf of The New Mexico Library  
Foundation Board of Trustees: Caroline Beckner

C. MPLA Representative

Valerie Nye reported that registration is available on the website.

Electronic Report:

The MPLA Board met via teleconference January 23, 2008.

Plans are well underway for the MPLA joint conference with the Utah  
Library Association in Salt Lake City on April 29-May 2. The conference  
registration is now available online:

<http://www.ula.org/conference/2008conf/index.php>

At the conference:

- There are nine pre-conference sessions available for attendees.
- Keynote and meal speakers include:
  - Jim Rettig, ALA President Elect
  - David Lee King, library 2.0 speaker and blogger
  - Carolyn Hart, mystery novelist
  - Susan Patron, librarian and children's author
- Leadership Institute Alumni are invited to a "no host" reception on Tuesday April 29<sup>th</sup> from 7pm-9:30 at the public library. Mary Bushing will be sending out more information on the reception shortly.
- MPLA members should also plan to attend the MPLA Birthday Bash on Wednesday night, April 30<sup>th</sup> at the public library. MPLA is celebrating its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary.
- Of the 92 programs being offered at the conference, 36 will be sponsored by MPLA members.

The Ireland Literary Tour was canceled due to a lack of interest.

The board approved a motion to create pins with the new MPLA logo. The membership committee is going to investigate putting the logo on CafePress.com to allow people to purchase merchandise that have the new logo.

The Long Range Plan update was reviewed and will be uploaded to the MPLA website shortly.

The board approved a proposed communication portal which may include blogs, wikis, and social networking opportunities for MPLA members. The communication portal will replace the now defunct “electronic communities.”

A rotating set of credentials for the MPLA Leadership was approved by the board. The following rotation was approved:

- Year 1 (in this case, 2008)
  - MLS or equivalent master’s degree relevant to the library field
  - 10 to 25 years post-master’s work in a library-related job
  - Expected career duration of at least 10 years beyond Institute
  - Employed in a library organization in MPLA’s 12-state region
  - Current member of one of MPLA’s 12 affiliated state library associations
  - Has a record of experience (including non-library) that demonstrates leadership potential
  - A thoughtfully completed application to be evaluated prior to selection by state representative and Institute committee
- Year 2 (2009)
  - MLS or equivalent master’s degree relevant to the library field
  - 5 to 15 years work in a library-related job
  - Expected career duration of at least 10 years beyond Institute
  - Employed in a library organization in MPLA’s 12-state region
  - Current member of one of MPLA’s 12 affiliated state library associations
  - Has a record of experience (including non-library) that demonstrates leadership potential
  - A thoughtfully completed application to be evaluated prior to selection by state representative and Institute committee
- Year 3 (2010)

- Non-MLS only - Director or leadership staff/department head with documented record of leadership
  - Expected career duration of at least 10 years beyond Institute
  - Employed in a library organization in MPLA's 12-state region
  - Current member of one of MPLA's 12 affiliated state library associations
  - Has a record of experience (including non-library) that demonstrates leadership potential
  - A thoughtfully completed application to be evaluated prior to selection by state representative and Institute committee
- Year 4 (2011) (return to 2008 requirements)

The next MPLA board meeting will be at the Utah Library Association/MPLA conference in Salt Lake City on April 29th.

Respectfully Submitted: Valerie Nye

#### D. State Librarian

Anne Lefkofsky reported that the state library is taking on a large resource sharing project, helping with e-rates and making sure things are cost effective. They will be working in three tiers to lead to a state wide resource sharing program.

Electronic report:

January 4, 2008

The New Mexico State Library's Technical Services Bureau (TSB) is responsible for the provision of technical services to other bureaus and departments of the state library and to assist members of the New Mexico Library Community with technical services issues.

The TSB has been given responsibility for the establishment of a statewide resource sharing program. This project will take some time to plan, develop and implement. At this early stage, it appears that a two-tiered approach will be necessary. Part of the project (Tier One) will rely on an open source software solution to provide for the creation of public library consortia throughout the state, and part will rely on a proprietary software solution (Tier Two).

Many of our smaller public libraries do not have an automated system, and the cost of a proprietary solution is too expensive. To meet the needs of these libraries, the TSB, Development Services Bureau (DSB), and NMSL IT staffs are looking at a hosted, open source based solution. Open source

library automation software (KOHA) is currently being installed and tested on servers at the State Library. Once the software has been thoroughly tested, we will begin to seek out, with the help of the DSB, public libraries interested in forming small, regionally based consortia. Joining the consortia will bring several benefits to the libraries involved. For the first time, in some cases, small rural public libraries will be able to create MARC records for their collections, circulate their materials online, and present an online catalog to their patrons. Training on the new software will be facilitated by TSB staff. As consortia of this type begin to proliferate throughout the state, we will see the beginnings of our resource sharing vision for all of New Mexico's public libraries, and at the same time, libraries will experience the rich and rewarding experience of working together toward the common goals of cooperation and collaboration, absolute necessities for a successful resource sharing environment.

At the same time, the New Mexico State Library is looking at a proprietary software solution for the replacement of its current SALSA catalog. SALSA ((System Access to Libraries in State Agencies) is running a version of the HORIZON integrated library system software provided by SirsiDynix and provides automated library system services to DCA libraries and the Office of the State Engineer Library. Once a decision has been made regarding SALSA, procurement of the new software, installation and implementation, training, and discussion of issues dealing with governance and standards for the members of SALSA will begin. The new SALSA consortium (Tier Two), along with the consortia (Tier One) mentioned above will be working together with public and other New Mexico libraries to plant the seeds necessary for the realization of a Common Library Platform (CLP) and Union Catalog for statewide resource sharing.

Two other components are vital to the development and growth of a statewide resource sharing program, 1) training and 2) delivery of materials. The State Library will be busy in both of these areas. State library staff will develop training materials and programs that will be available both onsite and online. Eventually, a library of training materials, user guides, tutorials and other learning aids will be made available via a web interface. Public library staff and staff at other participating libraries will be able to contact State Library staff for one-on-one assistance. As libraries join together and begin to share materials, there must be a way for each library to send and receive materials requested by their patrons. State Library staff will be

investigating options for delivery/courier services for public libraries participating in the statewide resource sharing effort.

As we move toward a statewide resource sharing program for New Mexico's libraries, traditional interlibrary loan (ILL) will change. As more materials become available to libraries and patrons through the union catalog, traditional ILL becomes more focused on document delivery (articles) rather than monographs. The State Library is committed to providing traditional ILL services until such time that a statewide union catalog is realized, and even with the union catalog in place, traditional ILL services will continue to be available for items not available using other means.

There are public libraries in New Mexico that currently have an automated system; they have created electronic records and established online catalogs. These libraries are in the unique position of forming resource sharing consortia now, but some may be wondering exactly how to go about it. The first step in the process for these libraries is to meet and discuss the opportunities, commit to working together, and begin the planning process. The State Library is prepared to help in this endeavor.

The creation of a statewide resource sharing program and development of a Common Library Platform for New Mexico's public libraries is a bold initiative. The planning for the program is underway, but it will take many months to develop a strategy for implementation. Ongoing funding for the project and all of its components is critical. Reliable network connectivity to the systems we create and maintain is a necessity. A delivery service dedicated to the resource sharing effort must be in place and adequately funded to support the movement of library materials throughout the state. An ongoing training program will be developed, and perhaps a CLP help desk might be established.

State library staff members are dedicated individuals who are prepared to start working toward these goals. New Mexico's library community will play a significant role in the resource sharing initiative. For instance, libraries will meet and work through governance issues for their consortia, discuss funding sources, create standards for staff and patrons, and many other things. The State Library, working in concert with New Mexico's libraries, is prepared to help in all of these areas. No one can know what the future of resource sharing in New Mexico will be like, but with good planning, cooperation and collaboration, the future looks bright.

#### E. Archivist

Archives has nothing to report for the quarter. Barbara Edwards

#### F. Bylaws

Electronic Report:

The Bylaws Committee assisted the Nominations and Elections Committee and the Membership Committee with questions regarding procedure and bylaws.

Respectfully submitted: Betty Long, Chair Alison Almquist Mark Adams

#### G. Education

Electronic Report: NMLA Education Committee Report

For the Marion Dorroh Scholarship for \$2500, deadline Jan. 15, we have received in six applications, and we hope to announce the award winner in several weeks.

There is still time for applications for the College Scholarships, deadline Jan. 31.

Respectfully submitted: Kay Krehbiel, Education Committee Chair

#### H. Membership

We are without a chair since our past chair resigned. There was a discussion about how important the membership committee is.

A motion was made, seconded and passed that Lori Christian serve as the interim membership chair.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to present to the NMLA membership at large to split the commercial and institutional memberships and to increase the commercial membership fees which will include a half page, or full page advertisement with their membership.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to present to the NMLA membership at large to increase the commercial membership fees from \$55 to \$150. A commercial membership would include a half page advertisement in the conference program and the NMLA newsletters.

#### I. Public Relations

Louise Hoffman showed the board the t-shirts from Legislative Day.

Electronic Report:

NMLA Logo Contest

Guidelines for the NMLA Logo Contest were drawn up with input from graphic designers, NMLA members, and the NMLA board. They were approved by the NMLA Board in September and the contest was launched.

Press Releases went out to major papers across New Mexico and libraries were encouraged to advertise the contest in their local communities.

Deadline for entries to be postmarked and submitted to the NMLA Board (via Lorie Christian) was January 18, 2008. Over 170 entries were received as of January 22 and more were yet to be counted by Lorie. With the postmark deadline of Jan. 18 and the post office closed for the holiday Jan.21, entries are still rolling in.

#### Legislative Day T-Shirts

The PR committee supported the project of increasing visibility of librarians at Legislative Day by assisting with funds (\$300) for t-shirts identifying the participating librarians.

#### Announcement of NMLA Annual Conference

An announcement of the NMLA Annual Conference date was sent to American Libraries “Calendar” and is currently appearing in the online version.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Public Relations Committee,  
Margie Sartin, Chair

J. SIGS;

Valerie Nye reported that she was having trouble getting in touch with the Reforma representative.

Electronic Reports:

ASL-SIG report:

- The ASL-SIG is sponsoring five programs at the 2008 NMLA conference.  
Topics include:  
New Mexico Reads  
Technology in School Libraries  
Graphic Novels and Literacy—In the Same Sentence!?!  
School Library Standards for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century  
Discover Enchantment: Land of Enchantment Book Talks
- A general membership meeting of the ASL-SIG will be held at the NMLA conference on Friday, April 11 from 8 to 9 am at Corbett Hall. The SIG will also have a table in the exhibition hall.
- The winner of the Young Adult Land of Enchantment book award, Jeanne DuPrau will speak at the Youth Services luncheon sponsored by the ASL-SIG and Land of Enchantment committee.

- The chair of the Nancy Ebeling Memorial Land of Enchantment book project, Linda Avery, has purchased three sets of the Land of Enchantment titles to distribute to three of the New Mexico universities which offer children's literature classes. The project is raising funds to buy sets for 5 more schools. The New Mexico Library Foundation is sponsoring this project in cooperation with the ASL-SIG.
- Pam Rischel, librarian at Las Lunas middle school and past chair of the ASL-SIG will be included in the slate of candidates for the NMLA member-at-large
- A number of school librarians are participating in the annual Library Legislation on January 24. Two members of the ASL-SIG steering committee, Margo Lamb of Las Cruces public schools and Susan Bontly of Las Lunas public schools, will be part of the delegation of New Mexico librarians introduced in the House and Senate in recognition of Library Legislation Day.
- The chair of the ASL-SIG Legislative committee, Stephanie Eagle, is working on identifying school librarians in each county who will contact other school librarians about legislative issues.

Respectfully submitted: Dora Trudell Albuquerque Public Schools  
Library Services

#### Northern New Mexico Youth Services Special Interest Group

The Northern New Mexico Youth Services Special Interest Group (NNMYSSIG) was recently revived by the co-chairs, Vaunda Micheaux Nelson and Lori Snyder. In an effort to spark interest in the group again, Ms. Micheaux Nelson and Ms. Snyder hosted a roundtable at the Loma Colorado Public Library in Rio Rancho on September 21. 25 people, including librarians and teachers, attended the roundtable, which was focused on promoting poetry in your library. Several speakers covered a range of topics, from programming for the young to using poetry with teenagers. Everyone in attendance was glad to have the chance to share ideas and network and all expressed happiness with the group's revival.

After serving as co-chairs of the NNMYSSIG for many years, Ms. Micheaux Nelson and Ms. Snyder felt it was time for a change and asked if anyone would volunteer to take over. At that time, Angie Manfredi volunteered to take over the committee and committed her library, Mesa Public Library, to hosting the next roundtable.

Handouts promoting the NNMYSSIG were distributed at Summer Reading workshops held by the State Library in early November and,

anticipating future user content, a WordPress blog was created for posting updates. (<http://nnmyssig.wordpress.com/>)

The next roundtable, focusing on programming for the very young and programming for teenagers, is scheduled at the Mesa Public Library in Los Alamos on Friday May 2<sup>nd</sup> from 9:00-3:30 PM. All NMLA members and members of the NNMYSSIG are invited to attend. Promotion for the roundtable will take place the NMLA conference in April, through e-mail distribution, and with cooperation and assistance from Beth Christ at the State Library. Any suggestions or comments from the NMLA body at large, regarding both the next roundtable and the NNMYSSIG in general, are welcomed.

Respectfully submitted: Angie Manfredi Mesa Public Library Los Alamos, NM 87544

#### Annual Report for “SIG for Retired Librarians” 2008

This is the second year for the SIG for Retired Librarians. Lorie Christian provides me with continual potential members. An email and snail mailing is sent to all members as a way of keeping in touch.

I was unable to attend the mini conference this year and so had no input for the group. At this year’s annual conference in Las Cruces we will have a SIG meeting and a table promoting the SIG. By having the annual conference in Las Cruces, we will hopefully get more input from members from this part of the state. Our main problem seems to be distance and inability to have social activities such as book clubs, luncheon clubs etc. I am going to suggest that we break into regional groups to do activities such as these. Otherwise, email seems to be the best way to stay in touch.

Respectfully submitted: Barbara Moore

#### New Mexico Preservation Alliance - NMPA

The NMPA has not had regular meetings since October of 2004. Jo Anne Martinez-Kilgore (of Cariño Conservation of Books and Paper) has recently been trying to stir up the activities of the group with the goals of providing a conduit of good information on preservation related issues and providing opportunities for interaction between those within the state responsible for the care of cultural collections – libraries, archives, museums, records facilities.

Ann Massmann (of UNM) has kept the NMPA listserv functioning to maintain an easy means of communication to those interested in the

activities of the NMPA. Linn Kennedy, of the Baldwin Cabin Library outside of Datil, is interested in sponsoring NMPA meetings in the Socorro area.

NMPA plans to partner with COPAR (Cooperative Preservation of Architectural Records) to prepare a grant to submit to the New Mexico Historic Records Advisory Board covering topics pertinent to collections of large maps, plats, architectural reproductions, photos etc. in libraries, archives museums, counties, municipalities, architectural firms, and small businesses.

Individual members have remained active in fostering training opportunities in preservation related topics. Beth Silbergleit (of UNM) and Martinez-Kilgore who planned two joint workshops with the Society of Southwestern Archivists have recently submitted a grant application to the National Center for Preservation Training and Technology [NCPTT] to develop and present a workshop. If the grant is funded, the workshop would be entitled “Focus on Fire in Disaster Management: for Cultural Institutions”. The workshop would bring together experts with experience and expertise in fire detention and suppression systems for cultural property, fire codes, fire prevention in the wildland-urban interface, preparedness for fire emergency, and options for the recovery of fire damaged materials. Funding would cover two workshops in March or April of 2009 – one in Santa Fe, one in Las Cruces.

Judith Murphy (of UNM) and Martinez-Kilgore presented a workshop at the NMLA mini conference in Las Vegas entitled, “Five Easy and Low Cost Ways to Better Care for Your Collections”. The pair will be presenting a half day pre-conference entitled “First Aid for Books, Paper and AV Materials: 5 strategies to Better Care for Collections” at the NMLA conference in Las Cruces in April.

Other goals for the near future for the NMPA are to reestablish regular meetings, to discuss officers and leadership of the group, and to gather more data on NMPA members or those with interest in the NMPA to better meet the needs of these people and their collections.

Respectfully Submitted: Jo Anne Martinez-Kilgore

K. Nomination

Anne Lefkofsky reported that she had the petition to add Pam Rishel to the ballot. All information is on the website.

Electronic Report:

Nominations & Elections Committee Report

NMLA Winter Board Meeting – Rio Rancho Public Library

January 25, 2008

1. Update on Candidate's Slate:

Adrian McCulloch withdrew her candidacy for Member at Large, due to her retirement as director of the Alamogordo Public Library (late December, 2007). The Committee reported this news to the NMLA Board, and to the association's membership via the NMLA listserv.

Pam Rishel has been added to the ballot as a candidate for Member at Large through the petition process. Pam is the librarian at Los Lunas Middle School and District Lead Librarian.

The petition in support of Pam was received well in advance of the January 1, 2008 deadline. More than the requisite 20 signatures had been collected on the petition, and all were validated against the current NMLA membership list by Anne Lefkofsky. Betty Long, Bylaws chair, and Nominations & Elections Committee members Nancy Dennis and Lynette Schurdevin were aware of this process and provided advice, accordingly. The petition will be presented to the Board formally at the January 25 meeting, per Procedural Handbook instructions.

2. Voting Packet and Election Process:

The voting packet has been completed, and as of January 15 is under review by Nominations & Elections Committee members and Betty Long. We plan to get the documents to Lorie Christian by January 18. This will enable her to take them forward to One Stop for printing, and a February 1 mail out. Per Procedural Handbook guidelines, voting runs through the month of February (which includes 29 days this year). The postmark deadline for receipt of valid ballots is March 1, 2008. Ballot packets will be mailed to all NMLA members in good standing. A sample packet will be highlighted at the January 25 Board meeting. Contents are:

- Instruction sheet
- Candidate Bios and Statements
- Ballot
- Return envelope pre-addressed to the Nominations Committee chair

3. Vote Count and Reporting:

The Nominations & Elections Committee will validate and count ballots in March, and inform the candidates, NMLA President, and Bylaws & Procedures chair of the outcome of the election.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Committee Anne Lefkofsky  
Nominations & Elections Committee Chair

L. Legislative

President Hoffman reported that more than 80 librarians attended Legislative Day in Santa Fe yesterday.

Electronic Report:

New Mexico Library Association  
Legislation Committee

The 2008 Session of the New Mexico Legislature began on January 15<sup>th</sup>. Committee members have been active in assembling and promoting legislation for a 2008 General Obligation Bond Issue. Working with the GO Bond Steering Committee and the Bonds for Libraries 2008 Political Action Committee, we provided testimony to Legislative Interim Committees on the need for additional resources for all libraries. At the start of the session, we are awaiting introduction of a bill.

Publicity. An article was published about the session and Legislative Day in the January issue of the NMLA Newsletter. There have been several Legislative Bulletins posted to the e-list.

Mini-Conference Presentation: About 40 people attended a program on the bond issue at the Las Vegas Mini-Conference in October.

NMLA Library Legislative Day. As this is written, preparations are being completed for Legislative Day. Orientation will be at the Santa Fe Public Library's Main Library. Delegations of five librarians will be introduced in the House and Senate. Ben Wakashige raised funds to purchase 100 yellow T-shirts so that librarians will be visible in the Capitol. We will staff a booth in the rotunda, using the New Mexico Library Foundation's historical exhibit as a backdrop.

Respectfully submitted: Joe Sabatini

M. Intellectual Freedom

Charlie Kalogeros-Chattan presented a discussion on the importance of having an Intellectual Freedom Policy Statement and the importance posting it on the website for availability. It was discussed as to whether NMLA can take a stand on intellectual freedom according to our bylaws.

The discussion was tabled and the president will check with the By-Laws Committee Chair. The Intellectual Freedom Committee will draft a form for the website to be used as a request for assistance for challenges.

Electronic Report:  
COMMITTEE

## INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM

### 3d QUARTERLY REPORT

January 25, 2008

Activities for the quarter for this committee included:

- IF Committee meeting on October 12, 2007, at the Spic and Span in Las Vegas, NM.
  - Program at Mini-Conference in Las Vegas: "Speaking Out at the Crossroads: How To Be a Library Advocate and Get Your Message Heard!" The program had 15 attendees and evaluations were positive.
  - Development of an Intellectual Freedom Training Needs Survey, for distribution via the NMLA list-serv and at conference programs and workshops.
  - Drafted an Intellectual Freedom Policy Statement for consideration by the NMLA Board.
  - Program development for NMLA Annual Conference in Las Cruces (4/08):
    - Half-day pre-conference program was accepted: "Duck and Cover: The Law, Libraries, and Intellectual Freedom Post-9/11."
    - Exhibit table for presentation of IF Website. A first draft version of the website has been developed, and work continues on arrangement and content.
  - Charlie Kalogeros-Chattan, IF Committee Co-Chair, was interviewed by Robert Forman of the New Mexico State Library. The discussion of intellectual freedom issues was aired via podcast on Librarian Live Episodes 20 and 24 at: <http://www.clickcaster.com/ntrlspodcasts>
  - Goals for 2008-2009 include a review and possible revision of the New Mexico Library Privacy Act and the development of regional workshops.
- Respectfully submitted, Charlie Kalogeros-Chattan, Co-Chair  
Stephanie Wilson, Co-Chair

Policy Statement Presented:

The New Mexico Library Association recognizes the responsibility of New Mexico libraries to offer and provide access to library materials according to the principles stated in the United States Constitution, including the public's right to access and receive information. The Association also recognizes the responsibility of New Mexico libraries to safeguard the public's right to privacy and confidentiality.

The Association promotes libraries' adoption of local policy statements regarding these freedoms and patron privacy.

The Association further believes that a democracy exists and thrives when there is free and open access to public information, as this allows individuals to have the necessary tools to inform themselves and to make decisions on matters affecting their lives, and to self-govern effectively as demanded by a democratic society.

The Association complies with and endorses the American Library Association's Code of Ethics, Freedom to Read Statement, and Library Bill of Rights and its Interpretations, as well as the American Film and Video Association's Freedom to View Statement, which has been endorsed by the American Library Association.

The Association cannot provide legal advice or interpretation, but it can provide information on these issues, and referral to other helpful resources.

#### N. Awards

Electronic Report:

The Awards Committee recommends these nominees for the following awards:

Community Achievement

Cordelia Hooee, Zuni Public Library

Honorary Life:

Alison Almquist , Zia Elementary School

Legislator

Senator Bill Payne, Albuquerque

Library Amigo

Allen Stenger, Alamogordo and Tularosa Public Library Friends Groups

Library Leadership

Susan Pinkerton, Dona Ana Community College

A motion was made, seconded and passed that the list of recipients for awards be accepted.

#### O. ALA Council

Electronic Report:

### ALA and ALA-APA Council Report

My first conference as an ALA Councilor was very interesting. I attended the Council Orientation Session and it was in this session that my suspicions were confirmed that I was not only a Councilor for ALA, but that I was also the Councilor for ALA-APA (ALA -Allied Professional Association) an explanation for this is in the paragraph below and is edited from the ALA-APA page on ALA's website. This responsibility added a couple of more meetings to my agenda. A note has been made to the Bylaws Committee that the Bylaws and Procedure Handbook need to be reviewed for possible changes to reflect this additional duty.

The report that follows is a combination of my report and the reports of other councilors and reflects highlights of each Council Session and not everything reported or discussed.

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The ALA Allied Professional Association (ALA-APA) is a nonprofit organization chartered in the State of Illinois for the purpose of promoting "the mutual professional interests of librarians and other library workers." The ALA-APA is a companion organization to the American Library Association (ALA), chartered in the State of Massachusetts to "promote library service and librarianship."

The Council of the American Library Association (ALA) authorized establishment of the ALA-APA in June 2001, to enable certification of individuals in specializations beyond the initial professional degree. In January 2002, with the approval of preliminary bylaws, the scope of the organization was broadened to include advocacy for the "mutual professional interests of librarians and other library workers."

ALA and ALA-APA are separate, independent legal organizations. Fully interlocked governing bodies tie them together. The governing body of the ALA-APA is the ALA-APA Council, whose members are those individuals concurrently serving on the ALA Council. Within the policies established by the ALA-APA Council, the Board of Directors manages the ALA-APA, whose members are those individuals concurrently serving on the ALA Executive Board.

ALA-APA is a service organization to the ALA, and it provides services to librarians and other library workers (members and non-members of ALA) in two broad areas:

- Certification of individuals in specializations beyond the initial professional degree
- Direct support of comparable worth and pay equity initiatives, and other activities designed to improve the salaries and status of librarians and other library workers.

ALA-APA is not a membership organization, and, as such, revenues come from subscriptions to Library Worklife: HR E-News for Today's Leaders, certification fees, and donations.

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Attendance – It was announced that the total attendance reached 13,601 by Monday, January 14. This was ahead of the numbers for the same day in Seattle (11,084) in 2007 and San Antonio (11,084) in 2006.

#### Council I

BARC (Budget Analysis and Review Committee) Chair Marilyn Hinshaw reported that the Association finished another year in the black. A report from the Task Force on Graduated Dues Structure revealed that a thorough study required for assessing the implementation of a Graduated Dues structure would cost \$518,885. The decision has been made to implement the survey portion as an affordable initial step at a cost of \$45,000. The Associations Endowment Fund increased by 8.4% during the year and reached \$31,221,422.

A Resolution on Member Access to Electronic Lists of ALA was referred to a Task Force for clarification.

#### ALA-APA Council

This was a short session that reviewed the progress made by ALA-APA in launching its Certification Project for Public Library Administrators. The ALA-APA balance sheet revealed that the organization has improved from a negative balance of \$235,060 in 2006 to a negative balance of \$229,329 in 2007.

#### Council II

After long discussion the Executive Board has been tasked to review current guidelines concerning the formal endorsement of individual candidates by divisions, round tables and other units of ALA. BARC will investigate the feasibility of shortening Council sessions so that they can end on Tuesday rather than Wednesday. As it is now the conference essentially ends on

Monday and yet Councilors and some committees remain to complete their work. Council voted to bestow honorary memberships at the Annual Conference to Pat Mora, Effie Lee Morris and Peggy Sullivan. A report from the Freedom To Read Foundation was given and Jim Neal, Treasurer of FTRF, reported that he is seeking to expand the organizations fund raising efforts to include institutional memberships.

#### Council III

Programmatic Priorities for FY09 were approved during the Treasurer's Report. The include: Diversity, Equitable Access to Information and Library Services, Education in Lifetime Learning, Intellectual Freedom, Advocacy for Libraries and the Profession, Literacy and Organizational Excellence. Six Resolutions from the Committee on Legislation were passed. A Resolution on the Confiscation of Iraqi Documents from the Iraq National Library Archives was passed and called for the return by US and British military forces of cultural documents to Iraqi repositories.

#### Other

Many other meetings concerning Council were scheduled such as Chapter Forum, Council Forums, etc. It was at the Forums that many of the resolutions were discussed. I can't imagine how long the debate would have been on these resolutions at the Council Sessions without these forums. Although one resolution was discussed for 45 minutes at one of the Council Sessions!

I brought back all of the papers distributed at the Council Meetings and I will keep them for a short period of time if anyone would like to have a copy of a report that was given at midwinter.

Respectfully submitted: Betty Long

#### V. Old Business

A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the \$25 fee for the New Mexico Reads trademark.

#### VI. New Business:

A. National Archives Records has invited NMLA to cosponsor the June conference. An invitation was read by Cassandra Osterloh.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to take part as a co-sponsor at no fee to NMLA.

#### B. Other

Cynthia Setter reported the current legislative news.

#### VII. Announcements

#### VIII. Adjourn

A motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn the meeting at 4:15 PM.