

April 17, 2013 ~ NMLA Board Meeting

Members Present

Mary Ellen Pellington, Paulita Aguilar, Kat Gullahorn, Janice Kowemy, LeAnn Weller, Melanie Templet, Cassandra Osterloh, Kevin Comerford, Alison Almquist, Joe Sabatini, Tammy Powers, Marian Royal-Vigil, Tina Glatz, Norice Lee, Robyn Gleasner, John Sandstrom, Norice Lee

Guests

Josh Benjamin, Stacey Zuzga, Caroline Dechert, Cassandra Arnold, Val Nye

Call to order by President Tina Glatz at 12:43pm.

Approval of Agenda

Joe – orientation of bylaws and board for New Members after meeting has concluded. Janice moved to approve agenda. Kat Gullahorn seconded the motion. Alison Almquist asked that her name be spelled correctly.

Officer Reports

Secretary (Cassandra Osterloh)

Joe had two corrections on contractor's report. Paulita Aguilar moved to accept minutes as amended. Janice Kowemy seconded the motion which was passed unanimously.

Two electronic votes between February 7 and April 17, 2013.

1. March 7, 2013 – Norice Lee made a motion to pay Lorie Christian \$10 per hour, capped at 40 hours, for consulting services to assist the Treasurer with association transaction activities. Paulita Aguilar seconded the motion. The vote passed: Yes – 8 (3-12-13).
2. March 12, 2013 - Kat Gullahorn made a motion to accept the following for the fall mini-conference:
 - Libraries Grow Leaders
 - October 17-18, 2013
 - Los Alamos, NM
 - \$45 – Friday, full conference
 - Conference & receptions at Fuller Lodge and Mesa Public Library
 - Lodging – Hilltop House for \$60/night

Mary Ellen Pellington seconded the motion. The vote passed (3-16-13).

Treasurer (Norice Lee) – Thanks to Norice for all her hard work and service.

Financial Report:

Profit & Loss--The Association's current income, including profit from cost of goods sold, is \$66,044.07, with current expenses at \$45,852.54, resulting in a net income of \$20,191.53. Last year at this time (4th quarter), income was at \$62,224.18 and expenses at \$68,769.32, resulting in a negative balance of \$6,545.14. Lower expenses this fiscal year can be attributed to a significant reduction in Administrative contractor services (\$12,937). Income from dues is down from last FY by \$1,345.51.

Budget vs. Actual--

- *Conference Income:* We are presently below budgeted income, but only by \$2,801.82; however, it is anticipated that this gap will continue to close in the next few days due to on-site registrations, etc.
- *Conference Expenses:* On the positive side, we are below budgeted expenses in the amount of \$2060.52.
- Net income is currently at \$20,191.53. Net income was budgeted at \$5,862.45, leaving us on the plus side at \$14,329.08.

Balance Sheet--

As of April 15, 2013, the assets stand as follows:

WF NMLA Checking	\$ 18,437.74
WF NMLA Savings	\$ 1,700.99
WF Conference Checking	\$ 2,390.93
WF Conference Savings	\$ 1,700.99
WF Battle of Books Checking	\$ 3,088.11
WF Battle of Books Savings	\$ 1,700.99
Other Assets	\$ <u>1,495.00</u>
Total Assets:	\$30,514.75

Informational:

- Reminder: SIG renewals and applications for new SIGS are due May 1, 2013 in preparation for 2013/14 budget development. Budget requests for each Committee also need to be made in advance with a May 1st deadline. This would be a new procedure for Committees.
- As I rotate out as Treasurer, I *truly* applaud the efforts of the Board and membership volunteers who have helped keep the Association afloat. I do, however, echo what I last reported; that without reserves in our bank accounts, maintaining operations will continue to be a struggle. In my opinion, without continued profits of at least \$10,000 annually, the Association will not be able to sustain. It is further recommended that \$20,000 minimum is always available in savings as a safety net. Efforts to achieve these financial goals, including a far greater emphasis on fundraising, must become the highest priority of the Board.
- A final recommendation for Board consideration is to continue paying for Administrative consulting services on an hourly basis (at minimum) to assist with

higher-level financial tasks, including the provision of training as needed for accountability and continuity purposes. The consultant would need to secure their own bond.

President (Tina Glatz)

Handout. Also asked that the Board consider participating in the NM Educator's Conference the beginning of June.

Vice-President (Mary Ellen Pellington)

Thanked those who have worked on the conference. Has been working on appointing committee members and chairs. Handed out a calendar for the upcoming year.

Members-at-Large (Linda Keulen, Janice Kowemy, Kat Gullahorn)

Linda Keulen (Advocacy for School Libraries Special Interest Group (ASL-SIG) and NMLA Mini-Conference)

ASL-SIG: Events during the annual NMLA conference include a Steering Committee meeting Thursday morning, Roundtables and sponsorship of the youth luncheon in conjunction with Alamosa Books. The author is an Albuquerque author, Caroline Rose Starr, who will talk about her recent historical fiction verse novel, May B. This summer, the SIG is sponsoring, for the second year, a joint workshop for Young Adult Literature and the Common Core with NM Council of Teachers of English. Many members of the SIG will be attending the New Mexico Educator's Conference in Albuquerque on June 4& 5 at Highland High School.

Mini-conference: Kat Gullahorn is in charge of the next mini.

Janice Kowemy (NAL-SIG, Bonds for Libraries)

NALSIG has been active this quarter in the following areas:

1. We hosted our 1st NALSIG meeting of the year at the Indigenous Nations Library Program at the University of New Mexico on February 15, 2013. We will host our officer elections on April 18th at the NMLA Annual Conference. Our next NALSIG meeting will be at the Navajo Nation Library on June 21, 2013.
2. NALSIG members have been elected to positions on the NMLA Board: Janice Kowemy, VP/President for 2013-2015; Paulita Aguilar, Treasurer 2013-2015; and Tamera Sandia, Member-at-large 2013-2014.
3. NALSIG members, Janice Kowemy and Mildred Walters have been involved in the selection of the NMSL Tribal Libraries Coordinator.
4. NALSIG members are on the planning committee for the Association of Tribal Archives, Libraries, and Museums Conference, June 10-13, 2013 at the Tamaya Resort in Santa Ana, Pueblo. We are the co-hosts of the Opening reception at the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center.

5. The Tribal Libraries Fundraising Committee is in the planning process of hosting the 3rd Annual NM Tribal Libraries Foundation Golf Tournament on August 30, 2013 at Sandia Golf Course.

Bonds For Libraries SIG has been active this quarter in the following areas: Hosted a table with the NMLA Legislation Committee at Library Legislative Day at the Roundhouse. Future ideas: Use a celebrity to do a PSA about GO Bonds in 2014.

Kat Gullahorn (Resource Sharing, Academic, Battle of the Books)

Battle of the Books: The State and ABQ groups have made efforts to outline a central planning committee, which is intended to be the NMLA SIG, to streamline planning and bring consistency to the battles. They have drafted a vision for conversation at our meeting during the 2013 annual conference. That draft follows on page 2. It is not binding or final in anyway, it should serve to illustrate their efforts to bridge the two battles. Two things that seem crucial to me are better communication and forming a State committee to run this. Conversations are ongoing. We meet Friday morning. From the organizers: **State Battle:** Update on Battle of the Books: We have 406 students registered for the State competition. This year we chose not to charge for t-shirts for students, instead we secured sponsors, this way the cost could be less for the schools. We also will provide a free pizza lunch during the awards ceremony for all. We will have an optional Friday night movie night and will be showing A Wrinkle In Time for all the schools that showed up a day early. Finally, Kimberely Griffiths, author of Circle of Secrets, will be at the event and will give a short talk and host a book signing. **ABQ Area Battle:** Our battle was quite successful! We had teams from 8 mid-schools and from 24 elementary schools (including charter and home school groups).

ALA/APA Councilor (Paulita Aguilar)

- ALA Midwinter 2013, Seattle, WA, January 25-29.

Attended and participated in all Council

meetings(Council I/II/III) as well related related meetings (Chapter Relations, Council Forums, President's Forum, and Membership Meeting). Meeting notes are below.

- I continue to forward information received from ALA lists to the NMLA membership list. Occasionally, I receive questions from our members about ALA activities and I respond directly to the member.
- I will have an ALA table setup at our annual conference that will have ALA publications, catalogs, and other information of potential interest to NMLA members.
- ALA Annual 2013, Chicago, IL, June 27

2. I will attend my last council meetings as NMLA's ALA/APA Councilor. ALA Midwinter 2013, January 25-29

Saturday, January 26: ALA Council Executive Board Membership Information Session

- Maureen Sullivan ALA

President Report: Maureen began her report by informing the audience that the content of the information session will feature more reports so that more time at the Council sessions can be devoted to discussion by Council members of issues and strategies. She

then provided brief updates on her presidential initiatives: The Promise of Libraries Transforming Communities; Leadership in the Digital Age; Rethinking ALA; and ALA and International Librarianship.

- Barbara Stripling ALA

PresidentElect Report: Barbara presented brief updates on her presidential projects and initiatives. She highlighted efforts made on behalf of school libraries in Washington, D.C. She also commented on her presidential initiative, Libraries Change Lives, which will feature three areas of emphasis: literacy, innovation, and community engagement.

- Keith Michael Fiels Executive

Director Report: Keith highlighted the coming ALA Leadership Institute, a four day immersive leadership development program for future library leaders. The inaugural institute will take place in Chicago in August 2013. Keith also highlighted opportunities at Midwinter to learn about community engagement

- Clara Bohrer, Chair Budget

Analysis and Review Committee Report: Clara reported that ALA management is delaying the proposed 1% adjustment to base salary for staff until March 2013 after reviewing six month financial results and will enact a similar delay to October 2013 for the 1% year end compensation adjustment based on year end results. She also reported that at the 2012 Annual Conference, BARC provided general input on two suggested personal dues adjustment strategies. Additionally, BARC studied and discussed the proposed financial model for using an external index (CPI) and recommended to the Executive Board approval of the dues adjustment proposal. Finally, BARC discussed changes to the initial proposal and concurred with Executive Board action to approve.

- Jim Neal, Treasurer Report: Jim stated that ALA is a \$50 million organization. He reported that revenue in 2012 increased in publishing, meetings/conferences, and grants/awards for a 6.6% increase in ALA total revenues. Total assets stand at just over \$76 million and total liabilities stand at \$45.5 million. ALA has demonstrated steady improvement in total net asset balance over the last four to five years. ALA showed an increase of 4.6% in general fund revenues in 2012 over 2011. But, the summary of general fund revenues and expenses showed a loss of \$1.3 million. Divisions had a very positive year with an increase in revenues of 12.1% and a decline of nearly 5% in expenses. Jim also reported on the rethinking of ALA's annual conference and midwinter meeting in terms of financial issues for the association. Net revenue from annual conference has declined over the last two years, but net revenue has improved for the midwinter meeting. Jim commented that ALA is a global institution with a growing positive reputation and well known brand around the world. Online education efforts will continue to provide opportunities for increasing ALA's global reach. Plans for an online education strategy include: plans for a national online training program; reaching out to international members; and developing pilot CE training relationships and partnerships with international association, societies and libraries.

- John Vitali, Senior Trustee, Endowment Trustees Report: John reviewed a number of factors that affected the portfolio since the first quarter: continued European sovereign/bank debt issues; recessionary induced austerity in Europe; year end U.S. fiscal/debt issues; and slowing growth in the Pacific Rim. He reported that the value of the endowment for the calendar year ending Dec. 31, 2012 was \$32.6 million.

- Nancy Davenport, Chair, Nominating Committee Report: Nancy reported that the

committee observed through the nominating process that perceptions of Council hampered the committee's ability to find people willing to stand for election to Council. Additionally, past practice of one Nominating Committee resulted in many more candidates standing for election than could be elected, which also affects the ability to find individuals willing to stand for election. (Those not elected are willing to be nominated again.) The Nominating Committee is charged to seek candidates for the number of seats being vacated plus half. Nancy also introduced the candidates for ALA PresidentElect (Barbara Immroth, Courtney Young) and for ALA Treasurer (Clara Bohrer, Mario Gonzalez).

Sunday, January 27: ALA Council I

• Barbara Stripling, Chair of the 20122013

Committee on Committees (and ALA PresidentElect), presented the 2013 nominations for election to the ALA Executive Board. Two councilors are to be elected for three year terms from the following candidates: Daniel Berdaner, Forest Hill Public Library, Texas; Peter Hepburn, College of the Canyons Library, California; Sara Kelly Johns, Lake Placid School Librarian, New York; and Jim Neal, Columbia University Librarian, New York.

• Keith Michael Fiels, ALA Executive Director, reviewed Executive Board actions since the 2012 Annual Meeting. Major actions included approval of a special trial membership through United for Libraries and approval of the programmatic priorities. Additionally, Executive Board approved forwarding the membership dues proposal to Council. He also reviewed the implementation report on ALA Council actions taken at the 2012 Annual Conference. He highlighted the resolution on school libraries and informed Council of plans for a national campaign to bring attention to the important role that school libraries play. He also highlighted the resolution addressing library service to the homeless.

• Sari Feldman and Robert Wolven, CoChairs

of the Digital Content and Libraries Working Group, presented a brief report on recent work of the group and on future directions. The Business Models subgroup was active in identifying models currently being used by publishers for offering ebooks to libraries. The subgroup also developed a scorecard, which is a tool to use in evaluating models that different publishers use. Next will be a survey of public libraries asking them to weigh different factors used to make purchasing decisions. The Communications and Outreach subgroup has developed a media communications toolkit to use for explaining ebook issues to the public and to the media. In the future the Working Group will take a broader view of digital publishing beyond the big six publishers and also will focus on econtent availability for school libraries. Collaborations will continue with Readers First and the Pew Internet studies.

• Irene Briggs, Chair of the ALA Resolutions Committee, presented a report that featured recommendations to revise the guidelines for preparation of Council and Membership resolutions. The recommendations were approved.

• Maureen Sullivan introduced a video featuring the head of the FCC, in which he thanked the ALA and America's libraries for the role played in digital literacy and in bridging the digital divide. This video will be made available for public viewing. Maureen led Council through a small group discussion session on rethinking ALA. The

questions that the small groups discussed were: What are your aspirations for the future of ALA? and What are the most important results you want to see?

- Council next considered the following resolution: Resolved, that the following statement, adopted by the AASL Board on January 26, 2013, be endorsed by the ALA Council that the Policy Monitoring Committee will Change Policy B.9.2.2 **School Library Media Specialists** (formerly ALA Policy #54.2.2) from this text: The master's degree in library and information studies from a program accredited by the American Library Association or a master's degree with a specialty in **school library media** from an **educational unit accredited by the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education** is the appropriate first professional degree for **school library media specialists**. Council approved the resolution.

- **Keith Michael Fiels** announced that total registration currently stands at 10,363.

Sunday, January 27: ALA/APA Council Meeting

- **Keith Michael Fiels, ALAAPA Executive Director**, introduced **Lorelle Swader, ALAAPA Director**, who made a brief report on recent ALAAPA office activities. The Certified Public Library Administrator program currently has 167 active candidates and 63 graduates. The Library Support Staff Certification (LSSC) program currently has 318 candidates and 32 graduates. From midFebruary to midMarch, the ALAAPA will offer support of \$175 toward the \$350 application fee for the LSSC program. The 2012 edition of the ALAAPA salary survey is available to purchase online and in print; subscriptions are available as well. The fundraiser held Saturday evening appears to have been successful. Tuesday, April 16 will be National Library Workers Day. Libraries will have an opportunity to nominate a library worker star. The ALAAPA has a new logo and a new website.

- **Jim Neal, ALAAPA**

Treasurer, presented his report. He highlighted why the ALAAPA exists. It provides national certification for library workers. It advocates for salaries and training for library workers. And it provides reports and analyses via salary surveys. At the end of 2012, there was a positive trend with a \$10,000 improvement in revenues. Expenses remained relatively stable. The ALAAPA fiscal 2012 report showed a net revenue of \$40,755. Additionally ALAAPA transferred \$30,00 to help pay off the principal on the loan from ALA.

Monday, January 28: Council II

- **Jim Neal, ALA Treasurer**, added to the report that he presented at the Saturday Information Session. ALA ended FY 2012 in a positive situation but with a net loss of approximately \$1.3 million. The board chose to draw down the net loss from the net asset balance. The 2013 budget has been constructed to begin restoring that net asset balance. The 2013 budget has also been planned for 0.5% less expenditures. Savings have been realized in health insurance costs. Additionally, the implementation of salary increases has been delayed until later in 2013. The raises will be "very, very modest." Jim also reviewed conference expenses and revenues and highlighted that generally, ALA conferences return enough revenue that the conferences help support areas of ALA that do not generate revenue directly themselves. He also presented the FY2014 programmatic priorities that are in line with the 2015 ALA strategic plan, which Council endorsed: • Diversity • Equitable Access to Information and Library Services • Education

and Lifelong Learning • Intellectual Freedom • Advocacy for Libraries and the Profession
• Literacy • Organizational Excellence • Transforming Libraries

• **Erlene Bishop Killeen, Chair of the Policy Monitoring Committee**, presented her report and also asked John Moorman to give background information from work of the Policy Manual Revision Task Force, which he chaired. Erlene presented motions on the following: reinsertion of the following policies (A.1 through A.1.3) into the ALA *Policy Manual* Section A; renumbering policies A.1 through A.1.3; existing policy language in current A.4.5 units (old number 6.5) to be reorganized under heading A.4.3, Units, Committees, Etc. (old number 6); remove Appendix A “policies of the American Library Association in Relations to its Membership Divisions” from ALA *Policy Manual*, Section A: Organization and Operational Policies Manual; Deletion of heading from ALA *Policy Manual* Section B. Council approved the recommended changes. Erlene also presented a motion to change policy language to reflect the change that Council approved at its Sunday meeting in language used related to school library media specialists found in Policy B.9.2.2. Council approved the recommended change to policy language.

• **Kay Cassell, Chair of the ALA Membership Committee**, presented background information on how the committee arrived at the membership dues proposal that has been shared with Council. The Committee wanted to provide an approach that would provide steady revenue for ALA while at the same time keeping dues adjustments at small manageable increments for members. Of particular interest were approaches that have been instituted by ACRL and PLA.

The Membership Committee developed the following recommendation:

Dues for personal members will be reviewed annually by the Executive Board, which may approve a dues adjustment not to exceed the percentage change in the national average Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the previous calendar year, rounded to the nearest dollar. Any increase beyond the above provision shall be proposed by the Executive Board with approval by a vote of the Council and subject to a mail vote of the personal members. Dues for Chapter Members, Organization Members, and Corporate Members shall be set by Council upon recommendation of the Executive Board. (Note: See ALA Policy 12.) Members falling into two or more categories of membership shall pay the highest applicable dues and shall receive corresponding privileges. The membership year for any member of the Association and its divisions and round tables shall be twelve consecutive months effective the first day of the month following receipt of dues payment.

Council engaged in a lengthy and thorough discussion of the proposal and of another option to place a review timeframe on the Membership Committee’s proposal.

Council considered a motion to approve the committee’s recommendation as presented and then considered an amendment to the motion. Next a motion was introduced to postpone discussion to Council III but the motion to postpone failed. The amendment motion also failed. Council then voted to close debate on the original proposal but there were not enough votes to close debate. Finally Council voted to refer the matter to Executive Board, so that the two options could be merged and the review period could be incorporated into the original proposal from the Membership Committee. That motion passed.

- **Pam Hickson Stevenson,**

- Chair of the ALA Council Orientation Committee,**

presented her report on the work that the committee has done to strengthen the council orientation process.

- **Jim Rettig, Chair of the Committee on Organization,** presented his report. COO received a petition to create the Sustainability Round Table. Council approved creation of the new round table. Jim also reported that the Boing Boing Membership Initiative Group has changed its name to Library Lab Membership Initiative Group.

- **Candace Morgan, Chair of the Freedom to Read Foundation,** presented her report. The FTRF board was very saddened to learn that Carolyn Forsman, an intellectual freedom champion, recently died of cancer. She also reported on the situation in Davis County, Utah, where the school board voted to remove all copies of *In Our Mothers' House*. The Utah Attorney General's office has informed the Utah ACLU that the book would be returned to the open shelves. She concluded with a plea for all those present to join the FTRF. The FTRF cannot join lawsuits if there are no members in the service area where a lawsuit has been filed. Joining online is possible at the new FTRF website: www.ftrf.org. She also highlighted that materials are available from FTRF for library science educators and that FTRF makes materials available for Banned Books Week.

- **Keith Michael Fiels** announced a current total registration of 10,558 at Midwinter Conference.

Tuesday, January 29: ALA Council III

- **Maureen Sullivan, President of ALA,** presented Memorials and Tributes. Memorials for Alice Holly Scott, Leo Dillon, Clara Stanton Jones, Phyllis Brodnax Heroy, Aaron Swartz, Joseph Branin, Harris Clark McClaskey, Barbara Ann Schmitt Webb, Genevieve "Kay" Bishop, and William "Bill" DeJohn were acknowledged, as were Tributes in honor of the Association for Library Service to Children (ALSC) on the occasion of the 75th anniversary of the Caldecott Medal.

- **Henry Stewart, Chair of the Tellers,** reported on the results of the Executive Board election. With 130 ballots cast, Jim Neal and Sara Kelly Johns were elected.

- **Pat Scales, Chair of the Intellectual Freedom Committee,** presented the Committee's report. She highlighted that the IFC has declined, at this time, to change the *Library Bill of Rights* to include housing status. The IFC, however, is in the process of reviewing the *Library Bill of Rights* and its Interpretations in preparation for the 9th edition of the *Intellectual Freedom Manual* and will insure that the Interpretations make it clear that a person's housing status should not be used to deny access to library services. She also reported that the newsletter on intellectual freedom has already been changed to an all digital format. It will transition to a broader publication that will be based in research and will contain refereed articles. Finally, Banned Books Week 2013 will take place September 22-28 and Choose Privacy Week 2013 will take place May 17.

- **Vivian Wynn, Chair of the Committee on Legislation,** presented the Committee's report. She presented a Resolution Supporting the Application of the First Sale Doctrine of the Copyright Law to All Materials in Library Collections.

Resolved, that the American Library Association: 1) Reaffirm the essential role of the First Sale Doctrine in ensuring that the education, research, and library communities continue to support the constitutional purpose of copyright law by promoting the advancement and sharing of knowledge, innovation, and creativity,

wherever made; and 2) Urge the United States Congress to pass legislation to remedy any judicial decision that limits libraries ability to lend copies of foreign made works under the First Sale Doctrine.

Council approved the resolution.

She next presented a Resolution Honoring Senator Olympia J. Snowe for her Support of America's Libraries, January 2013. *Resolved, that the American Library Association 1) Extends its deepest appreciation to Senator Olympia J. Snowe for her extraordinary service and record of achievement; 2) Thanks her for years of dedicated commitment to libraries and the American public that depends upon them.* Council approved the resolution.

● **Nancy Bolt, Chair of the International Relations Committee Report**, presented the Committee's report. The committee continues its work on the international strategic plan, which mirrors ALA's strategic plan. ALA had a large delegation to the 2012 IFLA Conference in Helsinki, Finland, with more than 300 ALA members attending. The efforts to provide relief for libraries abroad continue. Money was donated to libraries in Haiti, Japan, and Chile, with more than \$60,000 just for libraries in Haiti. Nancy reported that while at the Midwinter Meeting, ALA members learned of the destruction of libraries and manuscripts in Timbuktu, Mali. Few details are known and the IRC and the US Committee of the Blue Shield are monitoring the situation and will report additional information as soon as it is known. One hundred twenty-five international librarians attended the 2013 Midwinter Meeting.

She presented a Resolution on Supporting the WIPO Treaty for Improved Access for People Who are Blind, Visually Impaired and with Other Print Disabilities.

Resolved that the American Library Association (ALA) 1) endorses the Obama Administration's statement that access to information is a universal right; 2) commends the United States delegation to World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) for their recognition of libraries as critical providers of accessible content; 3) supports the call for a diplomatic conference to enact the WIPO International Instrument/Treaty on Limitations and Exceptions for Visually Impaired Persons/Persons with Print Disabilities.

Council approved the resolution.

She next presented a Resolution on United States Funding and Participation in UNESCO.

Resolved that the American Library Association (ALA) 1) urges Congress to approve the national interest waiver so the United States can again pay its dues, and become a fully functioning member of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO).

Council approved the resolution.

● **Maureen Sullivan, President**, presented a resolution from the ALA Executive Board that was written after the proposal for the personal member dues adjustment was referred to the Executive Board for revisions.

Resolved, Beginning in September 2013 and continuing annually through September 2017, personal member dues will be reviewed by the ALA Executive Board, which may approve a dues adjustment not to exceed the percentage change in the national average Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the previous calendar year, rounded to the nearest dollar. Any increase beyond the above

provision proposed by the Executive Board will require approval by a vote of Council and a mail vote of ALA personal members. This provision shall be formally evaluated by the Executive Board and Council in 2016 with input from ALA personal members. Any subsequent dues adjustment will require approval by a vote of the ALA Executive Board, Council and a mail vote of ALA personal members.

Council approved the resolution.

Council next considered a Resolution on Divestment of Holdings in Fossil Fuel Companies.

Resolved that the American Library Association: 1) goes on record to publicly recognize that human generation of CO2 is resulting in global climate change; 2) directs its endowment trustees to divest all holdings in the fossil fuel industry and invest in renewable energy initiatives; 3) renews relations with the Book Industry environmental Council, the Green Press Initiative, and other partners in the publishing and information technology industries to explore how e can help our communities and nation transition away from a fossil fueled economy; 4) calls on President Obama to hold a White House Conference on Climate Change, which libraries will assist in launching with a series of library based local, state, regional, national and international community conversations focused on planning and implementing a peaceful transition to a post fossil fuel, sustainable human relationship with the planet; and 5) amend ALA Policy B.5.5 to state that libraries are urged, in addition to the collection and provision of information regarding the environment, to take steps in assisting communities transition to fossilfree, renewable, sustainable energy sources.

It was determined that the resolution was out of order as it had not been referred to the Budget and Review Committee (BARC) for study of possible financial impact on ALA.

Council next considered a Resolution Reaffirming ALA Support for Whistleblowers Including Bradley Manning and John Kiriakou.

Resolved that the American Library Association (ALA): 1) Commends the signing into law of the “Whistleblower Protection Enhancement Act of 2012,” and the extension of similar whistleblower protections in the 2013 National Defense Authorization Act; 2) Commends Bradley Manning, John Kiriakou and other whistleblowers acting at great personal risk to ensure that the government can be held accountable by the public.

A motion was made to amend the Resolution by removing the Whereas clauses #1218 and the second resolved statement. The motion to amend passed. Next a motion was made to refer the revised Resolution to the Intellectual Freedom Committee with a request for a report at the 2013 Annual Conference. The motion to refer passed.

● **Keith Michael Fiels**, Executive Director of ALA, announced that conference attendance totaled 10,731.

Representative Reports

AASL (Alison Almquist, Rachel Altobelli)

After much paper work NMLA received affiliation with AASL in January. Rachel Altobelli is now a voting delegate to AASL along with Alison Almquist. The affiliation process takes place every two years. The President of AASL will visit NM sometime during 2013 – 2014. The AASL 16th National Conference & Exhibition, “Rising to the Challenge” will take place in Hartford, Connecticut on Nov. 14-17, 2013. Three twenty minute webinars will be presented by AASL in conjunction with School Library Month. They are Quantity vs. Quality; A Space vs. a Learning Space; and Strong School Library Programs Build Strong Communities. Kareem Abdul-Jabbar has been named the official spokesperson for the 2013 celebration of School Library Month. AASL is participating in a new collaboration with the National Center for Literacy Education (NCLE). The NCLE is a coalition of 30 non-profit organizations committed to improving literacy teaching and learning in all content areas. NCLE has a focus on promoting and supporting the power of educator teams as drivers of change in teaching and learning. AASL received a grant from the National Center for Literacy Education (NCLE) to create a Transmedia & Digital Literacy Learning practice exchange. A practice exchange gathers together a group of educators to share their learning, questions and insights about a problem of practice for the purpose of learning from and with one another. To create this network, school librarians and their teaching partners will have the opportunity to apply for mini-grants to support their development of materials to be hosted in the exchange. The American Association of School Librarians (AASL) will celebrate the picture book during the month of November as a partner of the second annual Picture Book Month. Founded by author and storyteller Dianne de Las Casas, Picture Book Month is an international literacy initiative that celebrates the print picture book in an increasingly digital age. More information can be found on the initiative’s website at www.picturebookmonth.com. The AASL 2012 Fall Forum, Transliteracy and the School Library Program, was held Oct. 12-13, 2012 Greenville, S.C. Transliteracy is the ability to read, write and interact across a range of platforms, tools and media from signing and orality through handwriting, print, TV, radio and film, to digital social networks. – www.transliteracy.com. Transliteracy and the School Library Program was designed to help school librarians develop strategies for integrating transliteracy skills into subject areas across the curriculum. Discussions articulated the range of skills known as transliteracy skills and highlight current research on how young people learn and play in the contemporary online environment. Barbara K. Stripling, assistant professor of practice at Syracuse University in Syracuse, N.Y., was elected to the 2013-14 presidency of the American Library Association (ALA). She is past president (1996-1997) of the American Association of School Librarians (AASL) and has held numerous committee positions within AASL. Gail Dickenson was elected to the 2013-14 presidency of the American Library Association (ALA). She is past president (1996-1997) of the American Association of School Librarians (AASL) and has held numerous committee positions within AASL. She is an Associate Professor at Old Dominion University, Norfolk, Virginia.

AASL e-Academy summer courses were:

Design for Understanding Meets the 21st Century School Librarian

Running: July 9 – Aug. 3.

Facilitator: Mary Keeling

From 0 to 60: Implement eBooks in Your Library Program in 4 Weeks

Running: July 16 – Aug. 10

Facilitator: Richard Hasenyager

Making a Place, Making a Case for Read-Alouds: A Powerful Teaching Tool for Literacy

Running: July 16 – Aug. 10

Facilitator: Christina Dorr

The June 12 Knowledge Quest webinar, hosted by the American Association of School Librarians (AASL), focused on caring and its place in the school library program. Presented by Olga Nesi, the webinar “The Transformative Power of Care,” looked at how showing care can make school library programs stronger and help them become the heart of the school community.

NMLF (Carol Hoover)

Not present. No report submitted.

MPLA (LeAnn Weller)

Sent out a call for free membership. Will call out names at business meeting.

Requests/Actions needed:

Please send me news/stories/PR relating to New Mexico libraries and librarians that I can send to MPLA for the Newsletter.

NMLA/MPLA Activities and Announcements

1. MPLA Leadership Institute

The 2014 Leadership Institute will be held May 4 – 9, 2014, at the YMCA of the Rockies in beautiful Estes Park, Colorado. The Institute will again be facilitated by Maureen Sullivan. The new Institute Coordinator is Aubrey Madler. Aubrey has been President of the North Dakota Library Association and as Past-President is currently on the NDLA/SDLA/MPLA Tri-conference planning team.

2. Participated in MPLA Board Meeting Conference Call March 25.

3. Sent New Mexico information to MPLA Newsletter editor

4. SDLA/NDLA?MPLA Conference, Sept. 25-27, 2013, Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

New Mexico State Library (Devon Skeelee)

Not present. No report submitted.

- MEP talked about scholarships given to conference attendees.

Newsletter Editor (Robyn Gleasner)

Next newsletter deadline is May 6. If new board member, please send name, email, and title to make sure and get on email list.

Committee Reports

Archives

Scanned info – Robyn Gleasner will get to Susan Zuzga. Joe Sabatini and Barbara Edwards will help out with changeover.

Awards Chair (Linda Keulen)

Tamara and Linda will emcee Awards Dinner. Tamara Sandia and I have been working on awards for the conference. Amigo, Leadership, and 2 School Library Awards will be given. Additional fund-raising helped defray much of the cost of these awards. Tamara and I will emcee the awards portion of the Banquet.

Bylaws Chair (Marian Royal-Vigil)

ByLaws Changes

A slate of proposed changes to the Bylaws was submitted to the NMLA Board prior to the February meeting, but time did not allow consideration at that time. The same slate of changes is presented now for approval by the Board. Following the board meeting, the Bylaws committee will meet and finalize the changes to be submitted to the membership. The final process for presentation to and voting by the membership needs to be determined by the Board at the April 17 meeting.

Bylaws Chair Status

The Annual Conference marks the end of my three year term as Bylaws Chair. I have decided not to continue on in this capacity. I have enjoyed my tenure as Bylaws chair and appreciate the opportunity to have served NMLA in this capacity. Many thanks to Joe Sabatini for all of his support and assistance!

Conference Site Co-Chairs (Lynette Schurdevin, John Sandstrom)

The committee is working on the Spring mini-conference. They will talk with the Members-at-Large who will be overseeing that conference. They have begun getting information for the next annual conference (fall 2014). They would like to know where geographically in the state we would like to hold the conference. Border Region Library Association usually has meetings the beginning part of October – maybe can combine somewhat.

Education Chair (Kevin Comerford)

At beginning were unable to fund scholarships. Ben Wakeshige worked to raise money for the Marrian Dorroh scholarship, and the committee was able to give out the Marrian Dorroh scholarship. Kevin has begun to compile a list of scholarship winners.

The education committee has selected Jennifer Anne Wood Stubbs as the 2013 Marion Dorroh Scholarship winner. Jennifer has been notified, and has accepted the award. She will not be able to attend the awards dinner, but I had her send me a biographical sketch that can be read when her award is announced and published in the NMLA newsletter

Intellectual Freedom Co-Chairs (Drs. Felipe de Ortego y Gasca & Gilda Baeza Ortego)

Not present. None submitted.

Legislation Co-Chairs (Joseph Sabatini & Cynthia Shetter)

1. The Committee worked for the passage of the \$9.7 million 2012 Library General Obligation Bond Issue on the November 2012 New Mexico ballot. Committee members were active in the Bonds for Libraries Special Interest Group (SIG), which met on quarterly to plan strategy for the election campaign. The SIG contributions from NALSIG (\$450), NMCAL (\$1,500) and the Friends for the Albuquerque Public Library (\$3,000), which enabled us to prepare and distribute a radio spot, bumper strips and other campaign materials to libraries throughout the state. In addition to the SIG website, information was posted to Facebook and Twitter to provide campaign information. Cynthia Shetter and Lynette Schurdevin worked within the New Mexico Municipal League and its Librarians Section to gain a resolution supporting passage of the library bond issue. Bond B passed by a margin of 420,111 to 256,195 vote, a winning percentage of 62.12% and a margin of 163,916. This was ten points higher than our margin in 2010, and major gains in support were made in most counties.

2. We worked in cooperation with the Action for School Libraries SIG. The SIG made a presentation at the Legislative Education Study Committee on November 14th, reminding legislators of the importance of school libraries in the education process and asked for the restoration of funding to the School Libraries Materials Act.

3. The Legislation Committee met on December 18th to plan for the 2013 Session. We publicized and supported SB 541 by Senator Howie Morales. This bill would create earmarked appropriations annually for all types of libraries. On February 19th, State Librarian Devon Skeele, Peg Johnson of Santa Fe Community College and Bill Cicola of Rio Rancho Public Library testified in support of the bill in the Senate Indian and Cultural Affairs Committee, which gave the bill a “do pass” legislation. On the recommendation of Legislative Advocate Larry Horan, Devon, Bill, Rachel Altobelli and I visited with Senate Finance Committee Chairman John Arthur Smith. The bill was not heard in Senate Finance. We anticipate further work on the bill, including testimony before the Legislative Finance Committee later this year.

4. Library Legislative Day was held on Thursday, February 7, 2013. Approximately 80 librarians and supporters visited with legislators. Five librarians were presented on the dais in each chamber.

5. No nomination was presented for Legislator of the Year.

Membership Chair (Tammy Powers)

NMLA Membership Statistics: Current membership totals will be reviewed with other NMLA board members and be added to the administrative record after the board meeting. We appreciate the efforts of Norice Lee, NMLA Treasurer and Robyn Gleasner, NMLA webmaster and newsletter editor in providing information.

Other committee activities: We will be meeting with the Academic SIG at the April conference. We look forward to seeing everyone. After the conference, committee activities will include:

- Committee review of NMLA documents for new members
- Consider electronic communication to convey relevant information to membership (Yahoo listserv, NMLA website, etc.)
- Continuing conversation/meeting of the SIG membership
- Provide highlight of professional development opportunities and other membership highlights.

Nominations & Elections Chair (Mary Alice Tsosie)

The NMLA Nominations and Elections Committee completed its work in March 2013. The committee met at Sandia Prep Library and counted the ballots. The chair called all the candidates and informed each one of the outcome. The chair then sent a memo listing the winners to the Board and an article to the NMLA Newsletter for publication to inform the membership. The newly elected board members will be invited to attend the NMLA Board meeting at the annual conference and announced at the NMLA General Meeting where they will begin their duties. NMLA Nominations & Elections Committee members: Mary Alice Tsosie, Chair, Cassandra Osterloh, George Jaramillo

Program Co-Chairs (Janice Kowemy, Cassandra Osterloh)

The program is all set for the conference.

Public Relations Chair (Melanie Templet)

Facebook page is getting hits – the reporting is on the following page. More folks are posting things as well. Conference has been fairly time consuming in the past few months but have folks interested in being on the committee. Will be calling a meeting after the conference with all interested parties to see what we can move forward with.

Old Business

Change in Bylaws for conference schedule.

Discussion of various changes needed (see handout).

Changes are needed regarding changing the schedule of conferences – does that mean we need to change everything about elections, etc.... Change it to business meeting rather than spring annual meeting.

Article 10 section 1 changes

Where to insert statement that all officers shall attend...?

Article 11 – Executive board duties

Dates for elections.... (these do not need to change if the dates of elections doesn't change) **this was tabled

Section 1 – report of committee of nominees shall be published in May 1 newsletter (change from Nov 1)

Must be received no later than July 1 (change from Jan 1)

Change 'mail' to 'distributed' so it can reflect electronic communications

Article 12 – vacancy filling and to Add – officers shall attend either or send vote to three meetings... Members failing to do this will be removed and replaced

Article 15 S.1

Global change “interest group” to “special interest”

Member in good standing – means membership paid in full

Big discussion about membership in good standing and SIG fiscal year ... time when you are not member if dues run from july to july...

Article 17 – remove the phrase ‘along with the administrative assistant’

Strike ‘administrative assistant’ (Article 5 Section 4)

Grammar change Sec 4 / Article 5 --5th to last sentence to ‘a certified public accountant’

Article 6 Section 2 – delete whole section and renumber subsequent articles

Section 3 – phrase “excluding a NMLA pres.” Needs to be deleted

Article 2 proposed section 7 is move to Article 17 – Section 8 - Membership committees

Article 17 Sec 8 – last sentence “chair shall also... “ SIG should be spelled out “Special Interest Group”

Article 5 header – strike word ‘Section’ – just say ‘ officer duties’

Nominating and electing will remain the same time... no change as spoken about earlier
Installing at Mini in Spring

Bylaws committee will meet and present findings back to the board in June or electronically if MEP requests earlier

Treasurer duties – install new at Spring conference but current will finish out fiscal year to train new officer (see procedural manual)

Article 5 section 4 – treasurer's duties will say "following election" and will be installed at conf – to take office completely July 1

Looking at maybe adding 2nd vice president back to the slate of officers... the bylaws committee is going to present to the general business meeting on Friday and will have all changes in information of bylaws ready for board / membership voting for summer

New Business

Norice Lee moved to adjourn at 3:50p. Paulita Aguilar seconded the motion. Passed.