

WASHINGTON LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
2003 ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING
APRIL 10, 2003
MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER:

Carol Gill Schuyler, President, called the meeting to order at 12:35 p.m. after determining there was a quorum present.

GREETINGS:

Kristy Coomes and Lynne Zeiher, Conference Co-chairs, extended greetings on behalf of Monica Weyhe, Director of Yakima Valley Regional Library System.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INTRODUCTIONS:

President Schuyler introduced current and outgoing WLA Officers:

Vice President/President Elect: John Sheller
Secretary: Liz Hawkins
Treasurer: Monica Weyhe
Coordinator of Continuing Education: Jennifer Merry
Coordinator of Communications: Troy Christenson
Coordinator of Strategic Planning: Laura Boyes
Coordinators of Conference 2003: Kristy Coomes and Lynn Zeiher
Coordinator of Joint PNLA/WLA Conference 2004: Sandy Carlson
ALA Councilor: Susan B. Madden
PNLA Representative: Kay Vyhnanek
WLFFTA Representative: Bonnie Taylor
IG Coordinator: Cecilia McGowan

President Schuyler announced and introduced incoming WLA Officers:

Vice President/President Elect: Carolynne Myall
Treasurer: Wayne Suggs

President Schuyler introduced those reporting to the Board:

Government Relations Representative: Steve Duncan
Legislative Planning Committee: Bill Ptacek
Federal Relations Coordinator: Jan Sanders
Washington State Library Liaison: Jan Walsh
Alki Editor: Cameron Johnson
WLA Link Editor: Mary Mackintosh
WLA Webmaster: Martha Parsons
WLMA Liaison: Sally Lancaster

President Schuyler introduced Committee Chairs:

Alki Editorial: Carla McLean
Elections: Elena Bianco
Fiscal Impact: Patty Duitman
Intellectual Freedom: Cher Ravagni
Legislative Day: Jan Ames and Laura McCarty
Membership: Taylor Stoneback
Nominations: Mary Campbell and Cindy Cunningham
Organizational Structure: Kristy Coomes
Public Relations: Catherine Haras
Scholarship: Nancy Huling

President Schuyler introduced Interest Group Chairs:

CAYAS: Kathy Bullene
CDIG: Rob Roose
Grassroots!: Patience Rogge
Intellectual Freedom IG: Jinny Burns
OLE: Theresa Gemmer, Bonnie Gerken
RIG: Tim Mallory
SAM: Jennifer Ashby
SRRT: Jonathan Betz-Zall
TRIP: Marilyn Sheck, Tamara Georgick
TSIG: Sue Anderson
WALE: Lynne King
WALT: Mary Stillwell
WLFFTA: Bonnie Taylor, Audrey Stupke

President Schuyler introduced WLA Staff:

Association Coordinator: Gail Willis
Alki Editor: Cameron Johnson
Assistant Alki Editor:
LINK Editor: Mary Mackintosh
Webmaster: Martha Parsons

INTRODUCTION OF WLA SCHOLARSHIP WINNER AND CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE GRANT WINNERS.

Angelina Benedetti introduced the Scholarship and Grant Awards committee: Nancy Huling, chair, Angelina Benedetti, Jennifer Bisson, Martha Parsons, Meg Rheingold, Louise Saylor and Tony Wilson. She introduced the WLA Scholarship winner, Shireen Deboo, who also won a Conference Attendance Grant, as did Lynne King, Cathy O'Donnell, Joan Maybank, and Tomi Whalen.

President Schuyler asked members to acknowledge new members and first time attendees.

Sandy Carlson, 2004 WLA conference chair, issued an invitation to the Joint PNLA/WLA 2004 Conference in Wenatchee, August 11-14, 2004.

GREETINGS:

PNLA Representative Sandy Carlson issued an invitation to PNLA Conference 2003 in Boise, August 13-16. The theme is "Dream Weavers" and keynote speaker will be Sherman Alexie.

President Schuyler issued greetings on behalf of WLMA chair Sally Lancaster.

Allyson Carlyle, Associate Dean for Academics at UW's Information School, conveyed greetings.

MOTION TO APPROVE CONFERENCE RULES:

Motion made by John Sheller.
Second: Jan Sanders
Passed unanimously.

2002 Task Force approved MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING 2002.

REPORTS:

TREASURER. Monica Weyhe, Treasurer, called attention to the treasurer's portion of the Association's Annual Report. WLA members may contact the WLA office for 2001-02 financials.

PRESIDENT. Carol Gill Schuyler, President, announced that the President's report is part of the Association's Annual Report. Conference attendees are welcome to use the Presidential Suite as a quiet meeting or getaway space and that all are urged to attend the President's reception and auction for the Beverly Cleary chair at the Capitol Theater on Thursday evening. She thanked her director, Ellen Newberg, and her staff for their support during her term as WLA President.

FEDERAL RELATIONS COORDINATOR. Jan Sanders issued an invitation to National Library Legislative Day in Washington, D.C., on May 12-13, 2003. There will be a pre-conference workshop 5/11 and issue briefings 5/12. Among current topics are these: appropriations, surveillance and privacy, the Patriot Act, the E-rate, telecommunications and intellectual property.

WASHINGTON STATE LIBRARY. State Librarian Jan Walsh reviewed accomplishments of the past year, including the move to the Office of the Secretary of State, loss of staff and budget cuts. She asked for continuing support as the State Library pursues changes to make it vital and relevant.

NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION: That WLA create a new membership category titled "Library User, Supporter and Advocate." This category will have an annual rate of \$50.00 and will enjoy all WLA member rights and benefits. Discussion centered on whether enough categories already exist for all interested parties. A motion to table and refer to fiscal impact committee was rejected.

Moved: Taylor Stoneback

Seconded: John Sheller

Rejected.

MOTION: That WLA adopt the "Resolution Reaffirming the Principles of Intellectual Freedom in the Aftermath of Terrorist Attacks." Cher Ravagni proposed a friendly amendment to forward this to ALA.

Moved: Jonathan Betz-Zall

Seconded: Tim Mallory

MOTION to table and refer to the legislative planning committee.

Moved: Susan Madden

Seconded: Neil Parikh

Passed.

MOTION: That WLA adopt the "Resolution on Better Salaries and Pay Equity." This motion was accepted and will be forwarded to ALA.

Moved: Jonathan Betz-Zall

Seconded: Cecilia McGowan

Passed.

APPOINTMENT OF TASK FORCE TO REVIEW & APPROVE 2003 ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES
Carol Gill Schuyler appointed John Sheller, Carolynne Myall, and Sue Anderson.

GOOD OF THE ORDER. Next WLA Annual Meeting will take place at Joint Conference with PNLA in Wenatchee, August 11-14, 2004.

PASSING OF THE GAVEL. President John Sheller challenged Association members for "more, more, more," - more institutional members, more individual members and more active members.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: _____

Liz Hawkins, Secretary

Carol Gill Schuyler, President