

**WASHINGTON LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING, TACOMA, WA
APRIL 20, 2006
MINUTES**

Call to Order

Carolynne Myall, President, convened the Annual Business Meeting at 11:30 a.m. after determining that a quorum was present.

Introductions

President Myall introduced current and outgoing Officers and Board Members:

Carolynne Myall	President - continuing
Martha Parsons	Vice-President/President Elect -continuing
Nancy Slote	Secretary – end of current term
Priscilla Ice	Treasurer - continuing
Beth Gillespie	Coordinator of Communications – end of term
Mary Power	Coordinator of Continuing Education – end of term
Tim Mallory	Coordinator of Strategic Planning – continuing
Susan Odencrantz	Coordinator of Conference 2006 - term just ending
Mike Cook	Coordinator of Conference 2007 – continuing
Jonathan Betz-Zall	ALA Councilor – end of current term
Punkey Adams	PNLA Representative- continuing
Carol Schuyler	WLFFTA Representative to Board – mid-term replacement for Jim Grayson - continuing
Anne Bingham	Interest Group Representative to Board – continuing

President Myall announced and introduced New Officers and Board Members:

Nancy Slote	Secretary - term two
Jennifer Wiseman	Coordinator of Communications
Mary Ross	Coordinator of Continuing Education
Karin Ford	Coordinator of Conference 2008
Jonathan Betz-Zall	ALA Councilor – term two

President Myall introduced those reporting to the Board:

Mike Wirt	Co-chair (with President), Legislative Planning Committee & Chair, Task Force on WLA Affiliations with other groups
Jan Walsh	Federal Relations Coordinator & Washington State Librarian/liaison to board
Patience Rogge	WLA Representative to Washington Coalition for Open Government
Carol Schuyler	WLA Representative to the Statewide Library Marketing Initiative
Kristy Coomes	Chair, Task Force on WLA Organization and Structure

President Myall introduced Association Staff and Employees

Cameron Johnson	Alki Editor
Margaret Thomas	Assistant Alki Editor
Gail Willis	Association Coordinator
Steve Duncan	Legislative Consultant
Evelyn Lindberg	Webmaster

President Myall introduced guests and VIPS:

Charlotte Glover, PNLA President:

Charlotte remarked that conference educational opportunities are a way of life in Alaska. The Alaskan variation on the old adage “find the wheel” is “mail order the wheel.”

She highlighted three important PNLA activities: Young Reader’s Choice Award, the oldest choice award in the country; the 2006 PNLA Conference in Eugene, Oregon; and the 2nd Leadership Institute to be held in October 2006 in Donnelly, Idaho.

Jan Walsh, Washington State Librarian

Jan highlighted the accomplishments of the Washington State Library:

- Virtual Reference Services with Question Point/24x7
- Summer reading blog for middle-school students
- On-site and on-line training and partnership with Web Junction
- Marketing campaign with thirteen new posters and bookmarks
- Digital books, such as Washington State history classics and newspapers

The legislative session had several successes:

- passage of HB2155, establishing a digital archive of state publications
- funding for a pre-design of a combined State Library and State Archives building on the Capitol Campus.

The Washington State Library and Seattle Public Library are discussing the transfer of the Talking Book and Braille Library to the State Library.

The Washington Reads program will be expanding to add a Families Read focus. In its first year, Washington participated in a program, “Letters about Literature” in which children wrote to authors and described how a particular book impacted their lives. Our state rated 10th in the number of letters submitted.

Harry Bruce, Dean, iSchool, University of Washington

The iSchool has undergone a huge transformation in the last seven years. University of Washington President Mark Emmert has recognized the school, and in the most recent ratings, the iSchool now places at 4th in the country. The iSchool is also delighted to welcome the first Beverly Cleary Professor to campus, Lynne McKechnie.

Acknowledgments

President Myall thanked exhibitors.

President Myall gave special recognition to those offering special sponsorship of the 2006 Conference:

3M

Baker & Taylor

BCR

Comprise Technologies

EBSCO

Ingram Library Services Inc.

Innovative Interfaces

Midwest Library Service

OCLC Western Service Center

ProQuest

SirsiDynix

Thomson/Gale

WebJunction

President Myall acknowledged 2006 Sustaining Members:

Aman & Associates

Friends of Federal Way Libraries

Highline Association of Library Technicians

Washington Coalition Against Censorship

Washington Coalition for Open Government

President Myall acknowledged WLA Platinum Members:

Evelyn Lindberg

Tim Mallory

Julie Miller

Carolynne Myall

Rick Newell

Carol Schuyler

Susan Veltfort

Jan Walsh

Anthony Wilson

President Myall acknowledged new members and first time attendees.

Maryann E. Reynolds Scholarship Winner

Lisa Oldoski, Co-Chair Scholarship Committee, introduced 2006 Scholarship winner:

Erica Delavan

Conference Attendance Grant Winners

On April 19, 2006, the Board approved the renaming of the Conference Attendance Grants to the Tony Wilson Conference Attendance Grants.

Alexa Eccles
Nancy Gunderson
Bobbie Malone
Kristin Piepho
Heather Rhone
Erica Willson

Invitation to the Tri-Cities Conference

Michael Cook, Conference 2007 Chair, invited the assemblage to the Tri-Cities, April 18-21, 2007.

Business Meeting

Motion: To adopt the Conference Rules.
Moved: Susan Madden
Seconded: Cameron Johnson
Approved

Motion: To accept the recommendation of the "Taskforce to Review and Approve the Annual Meeting Minutes" to approve the 2005 Annual Meeting minutes.
Moved: Susan Madden
Seconded: Patience Rogge
Approved

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Priscilla Ice indicated that a full narrative could be found in the *Annual Report*. Any member desiring detailed financial information should contact the Treasurer.

Legislative Planning Committee Report: Co-chair Mike Wirt reported that the most recent legislative session was positive, with the passage of the digital archives bill and the positive reception to the multi-year levy lift override, even though the latter died at the end of the session. The LPC works diligently to read the hundreds of bills which are introduced in each legislative session, evaluating bills for their impact on libraries. It designs a legislative agenda as directed by the WLA Board and works in conjunction with the WLA lobbyist on specific legislative strategies.

Federal Relations Coordinator's Report: Jan Walsh assumed the Coordinator's position mid-term to fill the vacancy left by Jan Sanders. Washington will have the largest delegation it has ever had to National Library Legislative Day in Washington, D.C. on May 1-2, 2006.

WLA President's Report, Acknowledgment of Annual Report: Carolynne Myall directed the members' attention to her full report in the *Annual Report*.

New Business

President Myall issued a call for resolutions and motions. No new business was brought forward.

President Myall appointed Martha Parsons, Konny Thompson and Gail Willis to the "Task Force to Review and Approve 2006 Annual Meeting Minutes."

Good of the Order

Carolynne Myall invited all members to the President's Reception on Thursday evening. The Scholarship Committee will be auctioning several pieces of Susan Stamberg's mother's jewelry.

Jonathan Betz-Zall, ALA Chapter Councilor, indicated that members could participate virtually in National Library Legislative Day through the ALA website.

Motion: To adjourn the annual business meeting.

Moved: Susan Madden

Second: Jan Walsh

Approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: _____

Nancy Slote, Secretary

Carolynne Myall, President