

CO-8

Professional Development Committee Minutes
Conference Call April 18, 2007 10 an Mountain; 11 am Central

Attending:

Becky Baker, Connie Lamb, Jeanne Narum, Mary Caspers-Grafer, Robert Russell, Judy Zelenski (ex-officio).

Sandy Barstow, Chair, was unable to attend. Judy Zelenski moderated the meeting in her absence.

Elvita Landau Evaluative Report:

Discussion: Sandy Barstow sent comments in advance.

Becky Baker moved to accept the report; Robert Russell seconded. Motion passed unanimously

Montana Library Association Application:

Discussion: The application was not for an event connected to the MLA conference, and it requested over \$6,000. There was no indication of the submitter's relationship to the MLA Board.

Becky Baker moved that Sandy Barstow, Chair, should contact Beth Boyson to indicate that the application was ineligible for consideration because it was not a pre- or post-conference event. Connie Lamb seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Professional Development Grants Information on website:

Connie Lamb presented two documents:

“ Professional Development Grants”

This document was approved by committee at its last meeting and has gone to Betty Dance, Chair of By-Laws Subcommittee.

“ Suggestions for Revision of the Professional Development Grants Information on the MPLA website”

Connie presented the suggestions to improve the format and linking of information on the website. By consensus the committee agreed to the suggestions, which Connie will send to Betty Dance for the By-Laws committee.

Revision of Pre-conference grant information:

Jeanne Narum was volunteered, and agreed, to head a subcommittee to improve Pre-conference grants information on the website. Connie Lamb offered to help as needed. Judy Zelenski will contact Judith Cremer, who was unable to attend the meeting, to see if she would be willing to assist.

Other:

The committee thanked Connie Lamb for her work on the subcommittee to improve the Professional Development Grants information on the website. Connie also credited Sylvia-Hall Ellis who began the process during her term which ended in 2006.

There were questions about the membership of the committee and number of members needed. Judy Zelenski reported that Wayne Hanway is working on appointments, and as soon as committee appointments are completed the lists on the website will be updated.

Deadlines for applications are listed on website Calendar, as are meetings of the committee. Judy Zelenski will also include deadlines in the newsletter.

Next Meeting by Conference Call:

Wednesday, June 20, 2007. 10 am Mountain; 11 am Central.

Next deadline for applications:

June 6, 2007.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 am.