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Professional Development Committee Report—January 2012

The committee met 6 times during calendar year 2011 to review grant applications. The committee awarded \$4200, 61.8% of the total budget of \$6800. For purposes of comparison, 37.7% of the budget was allocated toward member professional development in calendar year 2010. The committee is encouraged to see more members and state associations taking advantage of this membership benefit and will work to ensure the trend continues.

Recipients of CE Preconference Grants were the Wyoming Library Association, the Utah Library Association, and the Colorado Association of Libraries. Individual grant recipients were Debbie Aden, Megan Dazey, Aubrey Madler, Ronelle Thompson, LeAnn Weller, Sharon Osenga, Nita Gill and Sue Knesel. Judy will include information about awards in upcoming newsletters to encourage members to apply for funding.

Members of the committee are using the listserv, Facebook and twitter to highlight vendor and state association training/programming of interest to members. The jobs section of the website has been updated to include links to job-lines for member states having them. The committee will organize a resume review service for the joint NLA/NEMA/MPLA conference in October 212 in the Omaha area.

Respectfully submitted,

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