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MPLA Professional Development Grants Committee  
October 2004 Board Report

The members of the 2004 Professional Development Grants Committee met via telephone conference call in August and October.

Since the July report, the committee has accepted nine evaluative reports and authorized checks to be issued for total disbursements of \$4125 for the year to date.

The committee has approved the following grant applications:

- Sandra Barstow - \$600 to attend the ACRL/Harvard Leadership Institute
- Kristen Becker - \$150 to attend the CAL/MPLA Joint Conference
- Ollie Denise Smith - \$600 to attend the CAL/MPLA Joint Conference
- Diana Skousen - \$150 to attend the Joint Conference of the Assoc. of Bookmobile and Outreach Services & Assoc. of Rural and Small Libraries
- Kay Christensen - \$600 to attend ACRL Immersion Program 2004
- Sally Dockter - \$150 to attend the Online Lyceum: Coaching for Performance
- Pamela Comello - \$150 to attend Children's Literature & Library Professional Delegation to Russia
- Jan Lee - \$150 to attend the CAL/MPLA Joint Conference
- Suzanne Vesely - \$150 to attend the CAL/MPLA Joint Conference

The committee sent a flyer with the election ballots regarding grant opportunities. In addition, the MPLA newsletter has advertised the grants. As a result, the committee only has \$525 left to distribute for this calendar year. We will most likely have to deny some applications at the December meeting due to lack of funds. This is the first time the committee has run out of money in many years.

I volunteered to step down as chair of the committee early since I will be taking on the office of Vice-President in October. Incoming President Beth Avery has asked me to stay on for the final committee meeting in December and I have agreed to do so.

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Sharon Osenga, Chair