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MPLA Professional Development Grants Committee
Board Report
February 2006

The member of the 2005 Professional Development Grants Committee met via conference call in December 2005; and the 2006 Committee met via conference call in February 2006.

The committee approved the following grant applications:

- Cindy I. Moore - \$150.00 mini-grant for completing course work toward an MLIS from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee School of Information Sciences.
- Cheryl Ann Jorgensen - \$600.00 regular grant toward expenses to attend the PLA Conference.
- Patricia Adele Collins - \$558.91 regular grant toward expenses to attend the PLA Conference.

The committee approved the following evaluative reports:

- Judith Howard, who attended the ACRL Information Literacy Immersion Program with a regular grant.
- Wes Edens, who attended the 2005 MPLA Leadership Institute with a regular grant.
- Robert Russell, who attended the WLA/MPLA Annual Conference with a mini-grant, contingent upon his providing receipts as required. This he later did.
- Erin Smith, who attended the WLA/MPLA Annual Conference with a mini-grant.
- Cindy Moore, who completed the “Legal Issues for the Library and Information Manager” course from the University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee, School of Information Science with a mini-grant, contingent upon her providing more detailed information regarding expenses incurred and how they were paid for. This she later did.

The 2006 Committee raises the concern that the proposed budget amount for this committee may not be sufficient, since over one-third of the proposed amount was encumbered during the committee’s first meeting. The committee may feel the need later in the year to approach the Board for additional funds.

The conference call meeting schedule is as follows: 10:00 AM (MST); February 22; April 19; June 21; August 16; October 18; December 20.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert Shupe, Chair