

O-1 President's Report

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AZLA Conference update

Revenue from AZLA Joint conference: \$8200.

Online meeting platform

Some committees using Zoom with good results; if there are problems, please report to me, Judy, or the Communications Committee.

Presidential Visits

MLA conference, 8 – 11 April. I had a lovely time in Bozeman and was lucky to get a side-trip to Billings in as well. Eileen Wright was a magnificent host, and the conference was quite good. I appreciated the chance to see “how other folks do it,” now that I have a bit more experience under my belt with conference planning, etc. The presentations and sessions were well-connected to the theme of “Access for All.”

OLA conference, 29 April – 1 May. Later that same month I visited Oklahoma, and enjoyed the hospitality of Leslie Langley and OLA, where the theme was “One Together.” Any conference that starts with a basket of chocolate goodies in your hotel room can't help but be wonderful fun! Again, the conference was thought-provoking and interesting, and the only tornadoes I needed to worry about were actually back home in Colorado!

Wyoming Conference

From what I've seen, this conference plans to be lots of fun, interesting, and educational too! There are some social plans that need to be discussed, including honoring some recent or pending retirees.

Membership concerns

There are some interesting bundled membership options coming from ALA and elsewhere. I'd like to ask the Membership Committee to look into implications and let the Board know what they learn.

Membership is one source of revenue for the Association; the others are conference attendance and fundraising. Every plan we make comes with a price-tag, and so we need to be mindful of how our projects might be funded. It is my hope that we can strengthen membership, and therefore revenues, during the remainder of my tenure as president.

Respectfully submitted,

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