

MPLA Continuing Education Committee Report  
10/2004

Board action is requested.

Pre-Conference Grants-Change to MOP Requested

The Committee still has not yet received the evaluative report of the pre-conference held 14 January 2004 in connection with the Oklahoma Library Association Conference for which an approved pre-conference grant application was reported in the January report.

Nor has the committee received evaluative reports for the pre-conference held 11 August 2004 in connection with the Nevada Library Association Conference or the pre-conference held 22 September 2004 in connection with the North Dakota Library Association Conference.

The situation reported above is not unusual. Indeed, it was late August of 2004 before the Arizona Library Association filed the evaluative report for the pre-conference held in connection with their December 2003 conference.

This situation leads to a recommendation that the Manual of Procedure, Section 6.12, "Conditions of Grant" item 3 be amended to read "Upon receipt of the complete evaluative report by the Chair of the MPLA Continuing Education Committee not later than 2 month following the completion of the pre-conference for which the grant was approved, the MPLA Executive Secretary will be notified to mail the grant check."

No additional applications for pre-conference grants have been received since the July Board meeting. State Reps should be aware that applications for Spring pre-conferences are due by 1 January.

CE Clearinghouse

Following the request in the July 2004 report to the Board that comments be submitted to me, I received no comments. The Committee therefore proposes that the CE Clearinghouse web page created by Dan Stanton (<http://www.public.asu.edu/~iddjs/help/MPLA/MPLA%20CE.htm>) be transferred to the regular domain and fully integrated into the MPLA web site.

Budget Request

If the Board and/or the Finance Committee has not acted on the Committee's request that the budget for State Association Pre-Conference Grants be increased from \$1,500 to \$3,000 as contained in the July 2004 report to the Board, we request that this be considered.

Respectfully submitted,  
C. Jeffrey Belliston  
Chair