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MPLA Technical Services Section Report
January 2003

There was a business meeting of the MPLA Technical Services Section at the Tri-Conference in Fargo, North Dakota, at 7:30am on Friday, October 4, 2002.

One of the agenda items involved amending the Section's bylaws. The need for the amendment came as the result of changes in the Association's manual of procedures, which affected the bylaws of several Sections.

According to our bylaws, Article IX. Amendments, "These Bylaws may be amended by the favorable vote of a majority of those present at any regular meeting, provided that specific notice of the proposed amendment shall have been given at least two weeks prior to that meeting. Amendments may be proposed by a Bylaws Revision Committee, the Executive Board of the Section, upon its own motion, or upon the written request to the Chairperson of any five members of the Section."

Dana Boden, Chair of the Bylaws and Procedures Committee, confirmed that e-mail notification constitutes official notification of the section's membership.

The proposed change to our Bylaws involved Article V, Section 1 and Article V, Section 2.

Article V, Section 1 read:

The officers of this section shall be Chair, Vice-Chair (Chair-Elect) and Secretary and shall be members of the Association. These officers, together with the immediate Past Chair of the section, shall constitute the Executive Board of the Technical Services Section of the Mountain Plains Library Association, and shall perform such duties as are usually the responsibilities of these offices.

In acted change to Article V, Section 1:

The officers of this section shall be Chair and Vice-Chair (Chair-Elect). The position of Secretary is optional, and may be appointed by the Chair. Section officers must be individual members in good standing of MPLA. These officers, together with the immediate Past Chair of the section, shall constitute the Executive Board of the Technical Services Section of the Mountain Plains Library Association, and shall perform such duties as are usually the responsibilities of these offices.

Article V, Section 2 read:

Prior to the regular meeting, at a date to be determined by the Association, the Chair shall appoint a nominating committee of three members who shall present nominees for the offices of Vice-Chair (Chair-Elect) and Secretary.

In acted change to Article V, Section 2:

The Section Chair should appoint a Nominating Committee consisting of the Vice-chair/Chair-elect as the Chair and at least two other members within two months after the annual conference. The officers shall be elected by mailed ballot and the results will be announced at the annual meeting held in conjunction with the Association. Write in candidates will not be counted.