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North Dakota State Representative

January, 2013

MPLA Activities

- Submitted an article for MPLA's February newsletter detailing North Dakota library and library association news
- Submitted an article for NDLA's December newsletter about the MPLA/NDLA conference in LaVista
- Submitted an article for NDLA's December newsletter on how to make the most of your membership in MPLA (newsletter available here: http://www.ndlaonline.org/Good_Stuff/gDecember12.pdf)
- Attended both of our Executive Board meetings during our conference in LaVista
- Met with the tri-conference planning group on October 19th
- Attended the NDLA Executive Board meeting in Jamestown on December 12th
- Took part in the December 14th conference planning phone call for our coming tri-conference in Sioux Falls
- Began serving on our Nominating Committee

North Dakota News

- North Dakota's 63rd Legislative Assembly shall convene on January 8th
- The North Dakota State Library is requesting an increase in State Aid to Public Libraries and funding to start a matching grant program for public library renovations and repairs
- The State Library's parent agency, the Department of Public Instruction, is now under the leadership of Superintendent Kirsten Baesler

Respectfully submitted,

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