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North Dakota State Representative

July, 2013

MPLA Activities

- Submitted an article for the August MPLA newsletter on state library and library association news.
- Submitted an article for the August NDLA newsletter on things to do in Sioux Falls when you're not at the tri-conference.
- Attended Leadership Institute conference call chaired by LI Coordinator Aubrey Madler. Provided Aubrey Madler, Adriane Juarez, and Anali Perry with a draft of a scoring rubric that state reps/committees could use when evaluating their Leadership Institute applicants.
- Agreed to serve as a judge for the MPLA Professional Forum.
- Enlisted two candidates to run for ND's next state rep. to MPLA and ensured that their dues are paid up with both organizations.

NDLA News

- The Executive Board met on June 14th at the West Fargo Public Library. This was the first meeting with our new Executive Secretary, Laurie Robertsdahl.
- Will Martin is chairing the process of updating and redesigning our state association's website.

North Dakota News

- The State Library will be conducting day-long seminars on strategic planning for libraries at six locations during the first two full weeks of August.
- The State Library has contracted for statewide access to NoveList Plus (EBSCO), NoveList K-8 Plus (EBSCO), and Zinio (Recorded Books). They have ended contracts for Health & Wellness Resource Center (Gale), and Opposing Viewpoints Reference Center (Gale), because of substantial overlap with other subscription and free resources.

Respectfully submitted,
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