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Wyoming Representative

March 7, 2018

Attended Wyoming Library Association Executive Board Meeting, February 22nd.

Jamie Markus said there has been an increase in Board/Director calls to the State library. This is in correlation to the budget. Questions are coming up on how things should have been done. The State Library is helping with any inquiries. Other issues discussed are:

National Issues such as Net Neutrality

Government Publishing Office – Watching federal depository program.

Institute of Library Services slated to be closed in President's FY2019 budget.

State Library budget – Looking at a possible \$150,000 loss for databases and they are looking at shared purchases. Won't know final budget numbers until after the session.

State Library turnover of 2 positions over 6 weeks. Hired a new library technician and another will be joining in about a month.

Dept. of Education would like the State Library to take over the Talking Books program, which currently serves about 675 people at the cost of \$100,000 to run it. Jamie said they won't move forward unless there is funding. Will address this in a month or two.

There are four new directors in Wyoming: Sukey Hohl is taking Sid Stanfill's place in Sublette County Nancy Miller is the new director of the NWC Library. Seth Perkins is the new library director for Laramie Community College, in Albany County and Cindy Moore replaced Kirk Hissam in Converse County.

Respectfully,
Cindy Moore