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Wyoming State Representative

January 1, 2013

### **MPLA Activities**

- Reviewing the reports submitted by the MPLA Committees Chairs and by the State Representatives
- Reviewed **Appendix A** entitled **Checklist of State Representatives Responsibilities** in **Section V** of the **MPLA Manual of Practice**
- Reviewing **Appendix B** entitled **Sample Announcements and Reminders** in **Section V** of the **MPLA Manual of Practice**
- Currently working on a **DRAFT Appendix C: Best Practices for State Representatives** for **Section V** of the **MPLA Manual of Practice** document. This draft will be shared with the other MPLA State Representatives for their review and comments;
- Reviewing the **MPLA Manual of Practice** for arcane technical language;
- Attended a recent WLA Executive Board Meeting by phone.

### **Wyoming News**

- The WLA Executive Board accomplished a number of projects this past year including the WLA Handbook, newsletter, funds to WLLI, a webinar on fundraising, and a revamping of the program submission process for WLA.
- WLA is, as an organization, continuing the process of shifting from sections to interest groups. Information on the advisory groups can be found on the wyla.org website.
- WLA recently went through a financial audit. The audit was completed and all went well. At the most recent WLA Executive Board meeting, a Treasurer's Report was given. WLA is in a strong financial status.
- The 62nd Wyoming Legislature will convene January 8, 2013 at Noon.
- WLA will host its annual Legislative Reception. The reception will take place from 5:30 pm – 9:00 pm on January 24, 2013 at the Wyoming State Library in Cheyenne.
- The results of the election were announced. Scott Kinney won the election for incoming WLA Vice President/President Elect.
- WLA voted to endorse the statement strongly opposing the actions by publishers and distributors who set unfair conditions for the sale of e-content to libraries

- Conference Chair Erin Kinney thanked the staff and committee for their work on the successful WLA conference held in Casper.
- Jason Grubb, the 2013 Conference Chair, invited everyone to next year's conference in Cheyenne, Wyoming. The theme is Passport to Excellence.
- Susan Simpson, Director of the Albany County Public Library in Laramie is retiring after more than 30 years of library service. We appreciate Susan's strong commitment to Wyoming Libraries.
- For more Wyoming Library News please following the link. The Outrider Newsletter is now published via the WyomingLibraries blog. <http://www.wyominglibraries.org/>

Respectfully submitted,  
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