

MLA BOARD REPORT CHECKLIST, 2009

| <i>Reports due to Secretary and Executive Director 10 days prior to meeting dates</i> | | Page # | Mar 6 | May 1 | July 24 | Sep 11 | Nov 13 |
|---|-----------|--------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|
| Executive Committee | | | | | | | |
| President | | 1 | √ | √ | √ | √ | |
| President-Elect | | 2 | √ | √ | √ | √ | |
| Treasurer | | 3 | √ | √ | √ | √ | |
| Secretary | | 4 | √ | √ | √ | √ | |
| Past-President | | 5 | √ | | √ | √ | |
| Executive Board | | | | | | | |
| Member-At-Large | S. Howard | 6 | √ | √ | √ | √ | |
| Member-At-Large | M. Miller | 7 | √ | √ | | √ | |
| ALA Councilor | | 8 | √ | √ | √ | √ | |
| MACRL | | 9 | √ | √ | √ | | |
| PLD | | 10 | √ | √ | √ | √ | |
| SLD | | 11 | √ | √ | √ | √ | |
| Trustee and Friends | | 12 | √ | | √ | | |
| YSD | | 13 | | √ | | | |
| Executive Director | | 14 | √ | √ | √ | √ | |
| Standing Committees | | | | | | | |
| AD Hoc/Special Standing | | 15 | | | | | |
| Archivist | | 16 | | | | | |
| Awards | | 17 | √ | √ | √ | √ | |
| Budget & Finance | | 18 | | | | | |
| Bylaws & Handbook | | 19 | √ | √ | √ | √ | |
| Conference-2010 | | 20 | | | | | |
| Conference-2009 | | 21 | √ | √ | √ | √ | |
| Continuing Education | | 22 | | | | | |
| Intellectual Freedom | | 23 | | | √ | √ | |
| Legislative | | 24 | √ | √ | √ | √ | |
| Long Range Planning | | 25 | √ | √ | √ | √ | |
| Membership | | 26 | √ | √ | √ | √ | |
| Nominating | | 27 | √ | | | | |
| Public Relations | | 28 | √ | √ | √ | √ | |
| Publications | | 29 | √ | √ | √ | | |
| Site Selection | | 30 | | | √ | | |
| Webmaster | | 31 | | | | | |
| Special Interest Groups | | | | | | | |
| CSRT | | 32 | √ | √ | √ | √ | |
| CIRCILL | | 33 | √ | √ | √ | √ | |
| CIT | | 34 | | | | | |
| Gene | | 35 | | | | √ | |
| Gov Docs | | 36 | √ | √ | √ | √ | |
| Outreach | | 37 | √ | √ | √ | √ | |
| PEER | | 38 | | | | √ | |
| RIS | | 39 | √ | √ | √ | √ | |
| Support Staff | | 40 | | | | √ | |
| Tech Services | | 41 | √ | √ | √ | √ | |
| YASIG | | 42 | √ | | √ | √ | |

| Stakeholders/Guests | | | | | | | |
|---------------------|--|----|--|---|---|---|--|
| DOLL | | 43 | | | | | |
| KCMLIN | | 44 | | | | | |
| MASL | | 45 | | | | √ | |
| MLNC | | 46 | | | | | |
| MOBIUS | | 47 | | | | | |
| MOREnet | | 48 | | | | | |
| MOSL | | 49 | | | | | |
| MPLD | | 50 | | √ | √ | | |
| SISLT | | 51 | | | | | |
| Beta Phi Mu | | 52 | | | | | |

MISSOURI LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
Board Report

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| Unit/Stakeholder Page Number: | 1 |
| Unit/Stakeholder Name: | President |
| Unit/Stakeholder Representative Name: | Kimberlee Ried |
| MLA Board Meeting Date: | September 11, 2009 |

I. Information Items

Sent communications to the following:

Senator Rob Mayer – congratulating him on the Bud Barnes award.
Bohley Scholarship award recipient – congratulatory letter

Continued to sit in on monthly telecons for the ALA Stimulus work.

Announced MLA Taskforce charge and appointments, and appointed chair.

Met with Carol Smith to discuss new technology project/idea.

Met with Sharon McCaslin to advise on committee appointments for 2010.

Completed the following: September MO INFO Presidential, membership and legislative articles; August monthly email listserv postings.

Convened the Legislative Committee for a meeting on September 1, 2009 at MLA Headquarters. As a part of this activity the Library Legislative Day details (budget and location) were determined along with the 2010 Legislative Agenda, 2010 Lobbyist contract and Bud Barnes Award winner.

Conducted a Board vote on the ALA Emerging Leader recommendation from PEERsig, to be submitted by the ALA deadline. Secretary Piesbergen recorded the votes.

Reviewed 2011 hotel and conference center contracts. Feedback will be sent the hotels and Experient for changes to be made.

Notified by Tech Services SIG Past-Chair Keri Casio of the absence of chair leadership.

II. Discussion Items

Trustee and Friends discussion and review of 2008 proposal (attachment 1)

III. Action Items

MLA Lapsed Volunteer Leaders (attachment 2 & 3). Requesting Board approval to notify lapsed leaders that they are no longer members and thank them for their volunteer service.

Missouri Library Association Trustee and Friends Member Status Proposal

This proposal has a two-fold purpose; it is intended to spread MLA services to library trustees and friends group board members in their role as institutional representatives and to increase MLA's institutional membership. Under this proposal, Bylaws Article I would be amended as it relates to the status of trustees and friends, changing status from individual members to institutional member representatives.

Trustees and friends group board members will be served with newsletter and listserv communications and member registration discounts as a result of institutional memberships. New as a result of the proposed change would be that:

- Institutional member trustee and friend group representatives may be updated as terms are fulfilled and replacements named anytime during the annual membership period, January 1-December 31.

No change to the Trustee and Friends Division is currently recommended. If Trustee and Friends Division membership dwindles below 15, MLA Handbook Section 4.1.9 provides a process for the dissolution of a division. As long as the Division remains active, those who wish to lead the division must be individual members in good standing.

If division status is relinquished, trustee and friends group leaders would be encouraged to remain active in the remaining divisions with all rights and responsibilities of individual members in good standing, including board member and officer service. All individual benefits would continue to attach to individual trustee and friend members.

In 2007, MLA had 122 individual trustee members from 20 libraries. The Trustee and Friends Division had 126 members. 7 trustees from three libraries elected membership in a division other than the Trustee and Friends Division. During this same period, MLA had 39 institutional members. 7 of these libraries paid for individual trustee memberships. These seven libraries would benefit from the proposed change. If the remaining 13 libraries that pay for trustee membership join as institutional members in 2009, MLA would experience a net gain in income.

Current reports are that large libraries are forced to choose between institutional and trustee memberships. Daniel Boone Regional Library Director Melissa Carr recently explained that, faced with a 2008 budget choice, she decided that the library gets more value from its trustee memberships than its institutional membership. When briefed on this proposal, Melissa agreed that serving trustees as institutional representatives would benefit the library and encourage institutional membership renewal.

It is reasonable to expect positive outcomes from the proposed changes. With an energetic and appropriate recruitment campaign, institutional memberships may increase. Multiple trustees and friends group board members may be provided member services for a single institutional member fee. Trustee and Friends Division responsibility and authority may be retained as long as trustees step up to lead. If a time comes when the Division is no longer sustainable, given a reduced number of unit members, leadership opportunities will continue for active trustee members in any of MLA's remaining divisions.

**Missouri Library Association
2009 Lapsed Leader List
9.6.09**

OFFICERS AND ELECTED OFFICIALS:

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APPOINTEES AND COMMITTEES:

2009 Conference Arrangements Committee:

Hunter Kevil, Golf Tournament
John Riley, Technology

Budget & Finance Committee:

Joni Blake, 2007-2009

Legislative Committee:

Donna Bacon, MOBIUS Representative, non-member

DIVISION OFFICERS:

MACRL Past-Chair Crystal Gale

TFD Past-Chair Victor Gragg

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP OFFICERS:

CSRT Past-Chair Tracy Biggers

CIT Chair Robin Hastings

Gene SIG Past-Chair Janice Schultz

RISSIG Past-Chair Jennifer Hendzlik

Para SIG Vice-Chair Gwen Gilpin

Tech Svcs Chair Natasha Grando

YASIG Past-Chair Beth Snow

September 16, 2009

Name
Address
City/State

RE: Missouri Library Association Membership Dues

Dear :

Thank you for agreeing to serve this year as a volunteer leader in the Missouri Library Association. I know how important your time is and I truly appreciate you giving your energy and talents towards MLA.

This letter is the last communication you will receive in regards to your MLA membership. Approximately four months ago you should have received a renewal notice via U.S. postal mail from the MLA office. Recently you received multiple email communications from me, as well as Member-at-large leaders, Sarah Howard and/or Marty Miller reminding you of your past-due membership dues.

If payment is not remitted by close of business Friday September 25 you will no longer be eligible for your leadership position within MLA. You will be removed from all communications related to your MLA work.

As a leader within our professional association I know you would agree that membership is vital, as it not only endorses your work and accomplishments, but it also proves that you believe in the Association. As a leader within MLA others look to you as a model of professionalism, thus your membership is not only valued but truly important!

If you have any questions about renewing please let me know or contact the MLA office at: mla001@more.net For your convenience I've enclosed an individual renewal form.

Sincerely,

Kimberlee Ried
President

Enclosure

MISSOURI LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
Board Report

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| Unit/Stakeholder Page Number: | 2 |
| Unit/Stakeholder Name: | President-Elect |
| Unit/Stakeholder Representative Name: | Sharon McCaslin |
| MLA Board Meeting Date: | September 11, 2009 |

I. Information Items

Met in Columbia with Executive Director to start committee appointment process, Aug. 5.
Made appointments in the following committees, with initial report on 2010 committee assignments to be distributed at Board Meeting: Awards, Budget & Finance, Bylaws, Nominating, Membership, Public Relations
Transferred Long Range Planning Committee members (temporarily while the Task Force is in progress) to the Task Force on Structure, to avoid duplication of effort.
Reviewed all proposals for January Board Retreat.
Set Board Meeting dates for 2010: January 7-8 [Legislative Advocacy Day in February], April 23 (video), July 23 (video), September or October (TBA, see below), November 19 (video)

II. Discussion Items

For September or October 2010 Board Meeting, which will be face to face considering budget for 2011: Would you prefer to meet on Tuesday night, before the Wednesday first day of conference at the Lake of the Ozarks, or would you prefer to meet at a separate place (probably Columbia) in September?

III. Action Items

Consideration of the Handbook changes submitted at the last meeting and tabled until this meeting: Intellectual Freedom Committee and Legislative Committee.

MISSOURI LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
Board Report

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| Unit/Stakeholder Page Number: | 3 |
| Unit/Stakeholder Name: | Treasurer |
| Unit/Stakeholder Representative Name: | Tony Garrett |
| MLA Board Meeting Date: | September 11, 2009 |

I. Information Items

- FY09 July Revenue and Expense, Budget v Actual Report
- Developed a template for the proposed MLA annual report (attached)
- I plan to have the proposed budget ready for the October BOD meeting at the annual conference

II. Discussion Items

- MLA Annual report format and template

III. Action Items

Missouri Library Association Connecting. Challenging. Changing Lives.

Annual Report
2009



Prepared: 11 September 2009
Updated 18 September 2009
By: Tony Garrett, Ed. D., 2009 Interim Treasurer

Missouri Library Association Mission and Vision Statements

The Missouri Library Association is a non-profit, educational organization operating to promote library service, the profession of librarianship, and cooperation among all types of libraries and organizations concerned with library service in the State of Missouri. Founded in 1900, MLA is proudly beginning a second century of service.

Three Visions for MLA

- To provide leadership and professional growth opportunities that develop, retain, and increase membership in the Missouri Library Association;
- To encourage the people of Missouri, through the legislative process, to adequately fund their libraries;
- To increase visibility and develop relationships across Missouri's library community.

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Board of Directors 2009

President:
Kimberlee Ried

President-Elect:
Sharon McCaslin

Past-President:
Karen Hayden

Secretary:
Frances Piesbergen

Treasurer:
(Interim 2009)
Tony Garrett

MACRL Division:
Courtney Mlinar, Chair

Public Library Division:
Mary Beth Revels, Chair

Special Library Division:
Cindi Ernst, Chair

Trustee and Friends Division:
Terri Brunner, Chair

Youth Services Division:

Member at Large:
(Interim 2009)
Sarah Howard

Member at Large:
(2009-2010)
Marty Miller

ALA Councilor:
(2008-2010)
Pam Klipsch

INTRODUCTION

The Missouri Library Association operates a program year from the end of the annual conference of one year to the beginning of the annual conference the next year. The membership and fiscal year is from January through December. This document summarizes activities and services during the past fiscal year.

The MLA Board met **????** times in the 2009 fiscal year:

List the dates

Tony Garrett
Interim Treasurer
Missouri Library Association

Summary of Board Activities

Kimberlee Reid
President
Missouri Library Association

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| Summary of Officer Activities for 2009 |
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Kimberlee Reid, President

Sharon McCaslin, President-Elect

Karen Hayden, Past-President

Frances Piesbergen, Secretary

Tony Garrett, Interim Treasurer

Courtney Mlinar, Chair, MACRL Division

Mary Beth Revels, Chair, Public Libraries Division

Cindi Ernst, Chair, Special Libraries Division

Terri Brunner, Chair, Trustees and Friends Division

Crystal Faris, Chair, Youth Services Division

Sarah Howard, Interim 2009, Member at Large

Marty Miller, Member at Large

Pam Klipsch, ALA Councilor

**SUMMARY OF APPOINTMENTS, COMMITTEES AND SPECIAL INTEREST
GROUPS (SIGs) for 2009**

Debbie Luchenbill, Archivist

June DeWeese and Judy Maseles, 2009 Conference Co-Coordinators

**Janet Caruthers and Felicity Dykas, 2009 Conference Arrangements
Committee**

Amy Caviness, 2009 Webmaster

Awards Committee

Members

Activities

Budget & Finance Committee

Members

Activities

Bylaws & Handbook Committee

Members

Activities

Intellectual Freedom Committee

Members

Activities

Legislative Committee

Members

Activities

2009 MO LAD Promotions Subcommittee

Members

Activities

Long Range Planning Committee

Members

Activities

Membership Committee

Members

Activities

Nominating Committee

Members

Activities

Public Relations Committee

Members

Activities

Publications Committee

Members

Activities

2010 Conference Coordinator

Members

Activities

2011 Conference Coordinator

Members

Activities

2011 Site Selection Committee

Members

Activities

Children's Services Round Table (CSRT)

Members

Activities

Circulation and Interlibrary Loan (CIRCILL) SIG

Members

Activities

Computer and Information Technology (CIT) SIG

Members

Activities

Genealogy and Local History (Gene) SIG

Members

Activities

Government Documents (Gov Docs) SIG

Members

Activities

Outreach SIG

Members

Activities

Professionalism, Education, Employment, and Recruitment (PEER) SIG

Members

Activities

Reference and Information Services (RIS) SIG

Members

Activities

Support Staff/Paraprofessional (Para) SIG

Members

Activities

Technology Services (Tech Services) SIG

Members

Activities

Young Adult (YASIG) SIG

Members

Activities

STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

Accountant's Review Report from the 2008 audit

Self explanatory

Incomes and Expenses 2009

Self explanatory

Graph of 2009 Income

Self explanatory

Graph of 2009 Expenses

Self explanatory

2009 BUDGET REPORT

Place to show the budget; what was approved and actuals for each line item.

2010 PROPOSED (OR APPROVED) BUDGET

Self explanatory

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| BOARD GOALS FOR 2010 |
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The Board can list the goals that they would like to accomplish for the 2010 membership year.

MISSOURI LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
Board Report

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| Unit/Stakeholder Page Number: | 4 |
| Unit/Stakeholder Name: | Secretary |
| Unit/Stakeholder Representative Name: | Frances Piesbergen |
| MLA Board Meeting Date: | Sept. 11, 2009 |

I. Information Items

Report of electronic vote – Emerging Leaders recommendation (attached)

II. Discussion Items

None

III. Action Items

Draft minutes of the July 24, 2009 meeting

**Issue: 2010 Emerging Leader
Recommendation**

PEER-SIG recommends that Angela Watson, a former MU student from St. Louis be endorsed by MLA as the candidate for the ALA Emerging Leaders Program.

Executive Board E-Mail Voting Opened by President Ried on August 23 and Closed on August 26.

| Board Member | | Yea | Nay | Abstain |
|--------------------|-----------------|-----|-----|---------|
| Kimberlee Ried | called for vote | X | | |
| Sharon McCaslin | | X | | |
| Karen Hayden | | X | | |
| Frances Piesbergen | | X | | |
| Tony Garrett | | X | | |
| Courtney Mlinar | | X | | |
| Mary Beth Revels | | X | | |
| Cindi Ernst | | X | | |
| Joy Dufrain | | X | | |
| Crystal Faris | | X | | |
| Sarah Howard | | X | | |
| Marty Miller | | X | | |
| Pam Klipsch | | X | | |

Motion passed 13 yes

MISSOURI LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
Board Report Template

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| Unit/Stakeholder Page Number: | 5 |
| Unit/Stakeholder Name: | Past-President |
| Unit/Stakeholder Representative Name: | Karen Hayden |
| MLA Board Meeting Date: | 9-11-2009 |

I. Information Items

None

II. Discussion Items

None

III. Action Items

None

MISSOURI LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
Board Report Template

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| Unit/Stakeholder Page Number: | 6 |
| Unit/Stakeholder Name: | Member-At-Large |
| Unit/Stakeholder Representative Name: | Sarah Howard |
| MLA Board Meeting Date: | September 11, 2009 |

I. Information Items

Checked in with lapsed leaders by phone and email from the SIGS and Committees I was assigned and reported back to President, MLA director and other MAL member.

Checked in with CSRT, YASIG and YSD regarding conference activities.

II. Discussion Items

None at this time

III. Action Items

None at this time

MISSOURI LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
Board Report

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| Unit/Stakeholder Page Number: | 7 |
| Unit/Stakeholder Name: | Member-at-Large |
| Unit/Stakeholder Representative Name: | Marty Miller |
| MLA Board Meeting Date: | Sept 11, 2009 |

I. Information Items

I am currently in the process of contact lapsed MLA members.

II. Discussion Items

No discussion items

III. Action Items

No Action items

MISSOURI LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
Board Report

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| Unit/Stakeholder Page Number: | 8 |
| Unit/Stakeholder Name: | ALA Councilor |
| Unit/Stakeholder Representative Name: | Pam Klipsch |
| MLA Board Meeting Date: | September 11, 2009 |

I. Information Items

Posted ALA Council actions for Annual Conference 2009 on MLA member e-list. Contacted replacement speaker for MLA program on October 9. Jessica McGilvrey will replace Melanie Anderson, who has left the ALA Washington Office. Jessica is the Assistant Director of the Office of Government Relations at ALA WO. Provided information on transport options between St. Louis and Columbia to ALA President Camila Alire, who will be keynote speaker at MLA Conference on October 7. Submitted article for September issue of MO INFO.

Recommended to MLA Legislative Committee chair that the committee meeting agenda for Sept. 1 include preparation of a resolution for the MLA Executive Board to approve in support a public option in health care reform. ALA Council passed such a resolution in July, and has called on state chapters and librarians to follow up with their own expressions of support.

Posted letter from Bernie Margolis (New York State Librarian) regarding terms of Google Book Settlement, on MLA member e-list. (attached)

II. Discussion Items

Recommend that MLA Executive Board approve a resolution in support of a public option in health care reform and send copies of the resolution to Missouri's Senators and Representatives; and encourage MLA members to use the Capwiz system to send their personal letters of support of a public option in health care reform to their own Representative and Senators Bond and McCaskill. Such a resolution should come from the MLA Legislative Committee.

III. Action Items

Recommend that MLA Executive Board send a letter to the U.S. Department of Justice expressing support for the inclusion of the points raised by Bernie Margolis in the Goggle Book Settlement. (attached)

August 21, 2009

Keith Michael Fiels, Executive Director, American Library Association
Mary Ellen Davis, Executive Director, Association of College and Research Libraries
Charles B. Lowry, Executive Director, Association of Research Libraries

Dear Colleagues:

I have read with interest and concern your July 29th letter to Deputy Assistant Attorney General William F. Cavanaugh regarding the Google Library Project Settlement. I am disappointed with the final positions articulated regarding this very important matter. I want to urge your consideration of a stronger position reflecting both the critically important principles of access as well as the economic realities faced by your members (individual and institutional).

Robert C. Darnton of Harvard has stated so simply and clearly the view that "...the settlement contains too many potential limitations on access to and use of the books by members of the higher education community and by patrons of public libraries." I echo his concerns and believe that the potential remedy is for the Department of Justice to recommend and the Court to accept changes to the proposed settlement. I do not believe it is enough to simply suggest oversight without clearly addressing at least some of the issues which are of such critical concern and importance. Without presuming that I have all the answers, I would like to list some of the settlement outcomes which I hope you will individually and jointly consider conveying to the Department of Justice.

1. Clarify the settlement to mean that free Public Access Service (PAS) in public libraries is not specific to one (1) PAS terminal, but rather available anywhere/everywhere in the library building.
2. Expand the settlement terms to require free Public Access Service (PAS) for every school library or school library media center, if requested.
3. Expand the settlement terms to require free Public Access Service (PAS) to every State Library or State Library agency, if requested.
4. Expand the settlement terms to require free Public Access Service (PAS) to every public law library and every public medical or health library, if requested.
5. Require that the Books Rights Registry include library community and public representation.
6. Require that Google post and list the books which it has chosen to NOT make available in the Institutional Subscription Database (ISD) with a description of the reason for exclusion.
7. Require that libraries be reimbursed a portion of the reasonable per-page fee set by the Books Rights Registry for the printing of pages viewed through the free Public Access Service or from the Institutional Subscription Database viewed at any library. This would cover the costs incurred by libraries for computing and printing equipment and necessary maintenance and supplies.
8. Require that Google be prohibited from retaining any individual user or patron information collected from any use of the Public Access Service or Institutional Subscription Database at any library.
9. Require that if a library can demonstrate that it has purchased complete access rights to any copyrighted work that the full text be available through Google to the library's users with no further costs.
10. Require that every public, academic and school library be permitted a reasonable annual allowance of per-page printing without cost to the library or user.

11. Require that the price to be set for academic library use of the Institutional Subscription Database be based, as proposed, on the number of full-time equivalent users but also must consider other unique factors, including library partnerships and that an additional reasonable price be set for full statewide and/or regional access to the ISD.
12. Require that Google engage library community members to implement efforts, beyond those commercially available, in order to fully serve all those with print use disabilities.
13. With regard to the economic provisions, require that any excess revenues which might accrue to the Books Rights Registry be returned to those subscribing to the ISD in the form of lower subscription rates and that a mechanism be put in place for this to occur at least annually.
14. Provide an opportunity for authors and other copyright holders to make their works available at no cost to PAS/ISD users in libraries.

A letter does not provide the opportunity to share or explore the other issues which I believe are important for consideration with regard to this proposed settlement. I hope this short list gives you reason to consider additional discussions with the Department of Justice and to consider more forceful advocacy on behalf of libraries of every type. I urge you to suggest that the Department of Justice not simply be a monitor after the settlement is approved but an intervener now.

I have great respect for the work you have done and continue to do, along with others, on this matter. Please consider these recommendations as support for the efforts already underway. As we stand in the library orchard we all want the trees to blossom and the fruits of technological advance to nourish all libraries and library users. I look forward to your response to this request.

Sincerely,



Bernard A. Margolis

cc. Distributed as an "open" letter

July 29, 2009

William F. Cavanaugh Deputy Assistant Attorney General Antitrust Division
U.S. Department of Justice 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20530-0001
Re: Google Library Project Settlement

Dear Mr. Cavanaugh:

The American Library Association, the Association of College and Research Libraries, and the Association of Research Libraries (the Library Associations) write to follow-up on our May 27, 2009 meeting with Antitrust Division staff concerning the proposed settlement of the Google Library Project litigation.

In the meeting, the Library Associations highlighted some of the points we made in the comments we filed with the court on May 4, 2009. We reiterated that we do not oppose the court's approval of the settlement. We believe that the settlement has the potential to provide unprecedented public access to a digital library containing millions of books. Thus, the settlement could advance the core mission of the Library Associations and our members: providing patrons with access to information in all forms, including books.

We expressed our belief that but for the settlement, the services it enables would not come into existence in the near term. A class action settlement provides perhaps the most efficient mechanism for cutting the Gordian knot of the huge transaction costs of clearing the copyrights in millions of works whose ownership often is obscure.

At the same time, we recognized that the digital library enabled by the settlement will be under the control of Google and the Book Rights Registry. The cost of creating such a library and Google's significant lead time advantage suggest that no other entity will create a competing digital library for the foreseeable future. In the absence of competition for the services it will enable, the settlement could compromise fundamental library values such as equity of access to information, patron privacy, and intellectual freedom.

In order to mitigate the possible negative effects the settlement may have on libraries and the public at large, the Library Associations requested the court vigorously exercise its jurisdiction over the interpretation and implementation of the settlement. In the settlement agreement itself, the parties acknowledged the court's authority to regulate their conduct under the settlement.

The Antitrust Division staff asked us what action we wanted the Division to take with respect to the settlement. We replied that the Division should join us in urging the court to supervise the settlement closely, particularly with respect to the pricing of the institutional subscription and the composition of the board of the Book Rights Registry.

Upon further reflection, we believe that the Division itself should take a proactive role in the implementation of the settlement. During our meeting, we mentioned that the settlement should treat the settlement, if approved, as a consent decree to an antitrust action it brought. It should monitor the parties' compliance with the settlement's provisions as it would monitor the conduct

of parties under an antitrust consent decree, and it should request the court to take action when it concludes that the parties have not met their obligations under the settlement.

In particular, the Division should ask the court to review the pricing of an institutional subscription if the Division concludes that the price does not meet the economic objectives set forth in the settlement, *i.e.*, "(1) the realization of revenue at market rates for each Book and license on behalf of Rightsholders and (2) the realization of broad access to the Books by the public, including institutions of higher education." Settlement Agreement at 4.1(a)(i). To assist the Division in evaluating the price of the institutional subscription, the Division should have access to all relevant price information from Google and the Registry.

The Division should also request the court to review any refusal by the Registry to license copyrights on books on the same terms available to Google. Finally, if necessary, the Division should ask the court to review the procedures by which the Registry selects members to its board of directors, and to evaluate whether the Registry properly considers the interest of all rightsholders in its decision-making.

If the Division makes a submission to the court prior to the fairness hearing, we suggest that the Division inform the court of its intention to treat the settlement as an antitrust consent decree and to monitor the settlement's implementation. Additionally, the Division should ask the court, in its order approving the settlement, to confirm the Division's standing to request the court to enforce the settlement's provisions.

The likely demand among academic libraries for an institutional subscription is high; faculty and students performing serious research will insist on the ability to search and read the full text of out-of-print books. This means that libraries probably will be among the primary fee-paying users of the services enabled by the settlement. Accordingly, the Division should pay special attention to the perspectives of libraries on the approval and implementation of the settlement.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ellen Davis
Executive Director
Association of College and Research Libraries

Keith Michael Fiels
Executive Director
American Library Association

Charles B. Lowry
Executive Director
Association of Research Libraries

Added 9/4/09

This e-mail came to the chapter list. The link down in the e-mail that takes you to the Open Book Alliance web site is additional information for our discussion of the Google Book Settlement issue. Of course, since the cut off date for comments on the settlement is early next week, it may seem like a moot point, as we don't meet until Sept. 11. However, this is another to me disturbing indication that ALA WO is taking a superficial approach to a library issue. Some of the members of this coalition expressing concern about the substance of the settlement are groups that ALA and FTRF have worked with on other issues, and I for one think their concerns deserve to be taken seriously and not just brushed aside. Even if we are past the date, it doesn't hurt to let ALA WO know we share some of these same concerns.

Our academic librarians and our large public libraries have been following these issues and will be interested to see MLA discussing it.

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Missouri Chapter Councilor 2008-2010

From: Emily Sheketoff [mailto:esheketoff@alawash.org]
Sent: Thursday, September 03, 2009 2:32 PM
To: Robert P. Doyle
Cc: alacro-l@ala.org; Corey Williams
Subject: [alacro-l] Google Book Settlement Sign On Letter

Bob,

I am CC'ing the chapters because I understand some of them may have also been approached.

The Washington Office of ALA encourages library groups to engage in the issues surrounding the Google Book Settlement Agreement.

In our judgment, we continue to feel that the approach taken by ALA, ACRL & ARL is the most responsible. It raises issues that affect libraries. The PR company that the Open Book Alliance hired proposes in this letter a future we can't predict.

We know that reasonable people will disagree on these complex and controversial issues. As such, we continue to believe a letter endorsing our position, as filed with the New York District Court and requested by this committee (House Judiciary Committee) will carry more weight than a letter with sweeping statements that can not be substantiated.

At this time, this decision is in Judge Denny Chin's hands.

If any chapters would like to send a letter endorsing our submission, please contact Corey Williams at cwilliams@ala.org after September 4 at noon, when the submission will be available for viewing. We intend to submit it on Tuesday, September 8.

Emily

From: Robert P. Doyle [mailto:doyle@ila.org]
Sent: Thursday, September 03, 2009 10:14 AM
To: Emily Sheketoff
Subject: Fwd: Book Settlement Sign On Letter
Importance: High

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Begin forwarded message:
Bob –

Thanks for the time this morning. Per our conversation I have attached the Sign On letter for your review and a list of supporting organizations as of yesterday afternoon.

I have also attached a great letter from the NYS Librarian that spells out many concerns in a detailed way from a library perspective.

As I stated, time is of the essence with the Holiday Weekend approaching and the Congressional Hearing scheduled for Thursday morning. As you will see, the letter is calling on the Committee for “careful scrutiny” and covers a broad range of concerns that have been raised by various stakeholders.

I have placed my contact information below, and this link to the Alliance site has great resource material, www.openbookalliance.org.

We would love to list your organization on this letter – as demonstrating the breadth and depth of concern about the proposed settlement to the Committee is the most powerful message.

Thanks for the consideration,
John

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September 11, 2009

Keith Michael Fiels
Executive Director
American Library Association
50 East Huron Street
Chicago IL 60611

Dear Keith:

The Executive Board of the Missouri Library Association urges ALA to include the following critically important principles of access and economic considerations facing libraries in any negotiations of the Google Book Settlement with the U.S. Department of Justice.

The proposed settlement contains insufficient oversight and lacks specific remedies to prevent potential limitations on access to the books. Because many if not most of those who want or need access will be depending on libraries to provide the gateway to Goggle Books, it is vitally important that the terms of the settlement insure that libraries will be able to provide equitable and equal access to their users.

The Department of Justice should recommend and the Court should accept changes to the proposed settlement that will accomplish this goal. The following list of settlement outcomes, as outlined by Bernard Margolis, State Librarian of New York, in his recent letter to you, address some of these specifics. We ask you to present them to the Department of Justice.

1. Clarify the settlement to mean that free Public Access Service (PAS) in public libraries is not specific to one (1) PAS terminal, but rather available anywhere/everywhere in the library building.
2. Expand the settlement terms to require free Public Access Service (PAS) for every school library or school library media center, if requested.
3. Expand the settlement terms to require free Public Access Service (PAS) to every State Library or State Library agency, if requested.
4. Expand the settlement terms to require free Public Access Service (PAS) to every public law library and every public medical or health library, if requested.
5. Require that the Books Rights Registry include library community and public representation.
6. Require that Google post and list the books which it has chosen to NOT make available in the Institutional Subscription Database (ISD) with a description of the reason for exclusion.
7. Require that libraries be reimbursed a portion of the reasonable per-page fee set by the Books Rights Registry for the printing of pages viewed through the free Public Access Service or from the Institutional Subscription Database viewed at any library. This would cover the costs incurred by libraries for computing and printing equipment and necessary maintenance and supplies.

8. Require that Google be prohibited from retaining any individual user or patron information collected from any use of the Public Access Service or Institutional Subscription Database at any library.
9. Require that if a library can demonstrate that it has purchased complete access rights to any copyrighted work that the full text be available through Google to the library's users with no further costs.
10. Require that every public, academic and school library be permitted a reasonable annual allowance of per-page printing without cost to the library or user.
11. Require that the price to be set for academic library use of the Institutional Subscription Database be based, as proposed, on the number of full-time equivalent users but also must consider other unique factors, including library partnerships and that an additional reasonable price be set for full statewide and/or regional access to the ISD.
12. Require that Google engage library community members to implement efforts, beyond those commercially available, in order to fully serve all those with print use disabilities.
13. With regard to the economic provisions, require that any excess revenues which might accrue to the Books Rights Registry be returned to those subscribing to the ISD in the form of lower subscription rates and that a mechanism be put in place for this to occur at least annually.
14. Provide an opportunity for authors and other copyright holders to make their works available at no cost to PAS/ISD users in libraries.

Finally we ask you to strongly advocate that the Department of Justice be proactive and intervene before the settlement is approved. This will save enormously in time and expense in the long run. We appreciate the work ALA has done and is doing on this settlement on behalf of all libraries and library users for many years to come.

Sincerely yours,

Kimberlee Ried
President
Missouri Library Association

cc: B. Margolis

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| Unit/Stakeholder Page Number: | 10 |
| Unit/Stakeholder Name: | Public Library Division |
| Unit/Stakeholder Representative Name: | Mary Beth Revels |
| MLA Board Meeting Date: | 9-11-09 |

I. Information Items

None.

II. Discussion Items

None.

III. Action Items

None.

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| Unit/Stakeholder Page Number: | 11 |
| Unit/Stakeholder Name: | Special Libraries Division |
| Unit/Stakeholder Representative Name: | Cindi Ernst-Chair |
| MLA Board Meeting Date: | September 11, 2009 |

I. Information Items

The three current officers: Cindi Ernst, Kathy Cosgrove, and Julia Seiter held a conference call on August 27, 2009 to discuss various topics. Julia discussed what she will be writing for the September issue of MO Info. Cindi will be including special congratulations for a recent article that Julia wrote that is being reprinted on ALA's website. The upcoming SLD annual meeting will also be mentioned in the upcoming MO Info.

Kathy suggested obtaining past member lists of SLD for the purpose of contacting these past members to try and recruit them back into the Division and MLA.

The Annual Conference was also a topic of discussion. We are working on making sure that the SLD is well represented during this conference.

II. Discussion Items

N/A

III. Action Items

N/A

MISSOURI LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
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| Unit/Stakeholder Page Number: | 14 |
| Unit/Stakeholder Name: | Executive Director |
| Unit/Stakeholder Representative Name: | Margaret Booker, Executive Director |
| MLA Board Meeting Date: | 9.11.09 |

I. Information Items

- Executive Board Support:
 - Produced and distributed 7.24.09 board meeting minutes.
 - .8.21.09, began oversight of 9.11.09 Executive Board Meeting preparations – board report template updated and invitation reminder message sent to MLA leaders and organizational stakeholders, reports received and formatted into combined report document. Agenda composed and sent to President Ried for approval. All sent to Board, unit leaders, and stakeholders. Videoconference site reservations reconfirmed.

- Presidential Support:
 - Continued to collect 2010 board retreat site proposals in support of President-Elect McCaslin’s 2010 event
 - 8.5.09 meeting with President-Elect McCaslin regarding committee history and coming member appointments, 2010 board retreat, and recent organization history.

- *MO INFO* Editing:
 - 8.15.09 *MO INFO* call for submissions, followed by the receipt of advertising and articles and the composition of the 9.09 issue.

- Office Management:
 - Advertised for permanent, part-time administrative assistant; received 39 applications, invited five for interviews, conducted three interviews; and hired Melissa Hagen began on Tuesday, 9. 8.09.
 - Began new employee training and procedures orientation.
 - Work with CPA Jack Beard to complete audit, tax return, and FY08 QuickBook updates.
 - Provided updated member lists and listserv subscriber lists to various unit chairs.

- 2009 Conference Support:
 - 9.4.09 Exhibitor list to Hotel per contract.
 - 9.9.09 Meeting with conference planners and hotel staff regarding room assignments, room setups, and equipment needs.
 - Provided recommendations and oversight to conference planners regarding program and event requests, budgeting, and program and budget approval process.
 - Received Swets and EBSCO sponsorship details
 - Ordered CAC thank you gifts, bags, name badges and holders, ribbons, signs, and author books.
 - Updated speaker contracts with new and amended details.
 - Continued receipt of trade show applications.
 - Reserved MLA master bill lodging for staff, Conference Coordinators, and speakers.
 - Received first golf tournament registration.
 - Receiving Pre-Registration Forms.
 - Receiving Performer Showcase payments.
 - Working with Showcase leaders to finalize guide.
 - Annual Business Meeting notice distributed to members along with vote details – institutional dues redistribution and bylaws change proposals.
 - Recommended SISLT sponsored student registration process and receiving these sponsored conference pre-registrations.

- 2011 Conference Support:
 - Reviewed Holiday Inn and KCI Expo combined contract and Four Points by Sheraton contract, noting questions and concerns. Discussed details with President Ried. Touched on concerns briefly with Experient Representative Aubuchon and will be following up with details discussions.
- Awards Committee Support:
 - 8.19.09 Awards Committee Meeting at MLA HQ.
 - Produced and distributed Committee's 2009 winner announcement, nominator thanks, and regrets letters.
 - Produced award templates and 9.7.09 ordered 2009 Lucite Awards
- Budget and Finance Committee Support:
 - Completed July and August payroll, federal and state tax withholding, rent, insurance, and monthly expense payment, along with quarterly tax report submissions.
 - Completed July and August account reconciliation and financial statement production. account oversight review meeting with Treasurer Tony Garrett.
 - Drafted institutional dues proposal for Treasurer signature and distributed the same to the membership along with details regarding our 2009 Annual Business Meeting
- Bylaws and Handbook Committee Support:
 - Drafted bylaws change proposal for Bylaws and Handbook Committee Chair's signature and distributed the same to the membership along with details regarding our 2009 Annual Business Meeting.
 - Researched MLA's use of written member vote ballots and communicated question on the same topic to Parliamentarian Bart Tichenor. Discuss details with Chair and President Ried. Planning to produced colored, printed ballots for dues question, bylaws changes, and legislative agenda.
- Legislative Committee Support:
 - 9.1.09 meeting at MLA HQ.
- Nominating Committee Support:
 - Produced and distributed ballot along with official ballot envelope. Ballots are coming in and will be counted following the stated Friday, 9.25.09, with information on contested race results going to Executive Board in advance of conference.
- Structure Taskforce Support:
 - Contributed availability regarding proposed meeting dates.
 - Discussed documents needed for Taskforce review with Chair Karen Hicklin.
 - Working to provide meeting space at MLA HQ for September meeting.
- PEER SIG Support:
 - Provided ongoing advice to PEER SIG Chair regarding scholarship selection process, timeline, and documentation.
- Technical Services SIG Support:
 - Reviewed current leadership responsibilities and actions with leaders and advised unit bylaws be follows to ensure continuity of leadership. Matter referred to President Ried by Vice-Chair Pennington.
- Missouri Association of School Librarians:
 - Received notice regarding 2009-2010 board meeting schedule and shared with Presidents.
 - Discussed with MASL President Newbold history of public library representatives serving on MASL awards committees and offered MLA assistance with future recruitment.

- Forwarded a call for MASL Connections newsletter submissions to MLA conference planners, CSRT, Building Block, YASIG, and YSD Leaders. Provided logos to Connection Editor to accompany articles submitted by conference planners and Building Block leader.

- Secretary of State's Council on Library Development:
 - Reminded Executive Board of upcoming 9.18.09 Council Meeting.

II. Discussion Items

None.

III. Action Items

None.

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| Unit/Stakeholder Page Number: | 17 |
| Unit/Stakeholder Name: | Awards Committee |
| Unit/Stakeholder Representative Name: | Barbara Brain, Chair |
| MLA Board Meeting Date: | 11 September 2009 |

I. Information Items

Committee members met at MLA Headquarters on Wednesday August 19 to review award nominations and to make decisions on 2009 award recipients. Award winners were unanimously selected in the following categories: Outstanding Library Employee; Outstanding New Librarian; Meritorious Achievement and Public Relations Achievement.

The overall number of nominations received was lower than we would like and the committee has discussed various ways of increasing the numbers in subsequent years.

II. Discussion Items

Include issues for which you desire discussion, and include recommendations.

III. Action Items

Include issues that require board approval.

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| Unit/Stakeholder Page Number: | 19 |
| Unit/Stakeholder Name: | Bylaws and Handbook Committee |
| Unit/Stakeholder Representative Name: | Karen Hayden, Chair |
| MLA Board Meeting Date: | 9-11-2009 |

I. Information Items

Proposed changes to Bylaws sent to the membership for approval at the annual conference:

-Article XI, Committees; Section 2, Standing Committees; dropping Continuing Education Committee and Personnel Committee and adding Public Relations Committee. These changes reflect the current roster of committee and bring the Bylaws into conformity with current practice.

-Article II, Finances; Section 6, Annual Audit be changed to require an audit at least every three years, a change from the current charge that the Executive Board annually choose between a financial review or an audit. The current charge is based on the advice of MLA's CPA and Auditor Joan Casey and was approved by the membership at the 2008 Annual Business Meeting.

-Strike the words "and the Executive Committee" from Article V, Officers; Section 5, Duties of Officers, A, President;

-Strike the words "upon recommendation of the Executive Committee" from Article IX, Executive Board, Section 2, Powers, Fourth;

-Strike all of Article X, Executive Committee;

-Strike the words "the Executive Committee" from Article XII, Executive Headquarters, Section 2, Executive Director.

II. Discussion Items

None

III. Action Items

Approval of YASIG Bylaws (attached)

**MLA
Young Adult Special Interest Group
Special Interest Group Bylaws (Draft 1/09)**

ARTICLE I - Name

The name of this organization shall be the Young Adult Special Interest Group referred to hereafter as YASIG. YASIG is a special interest group of the Missouri Library Association, referred to hereafter as (MLA).

ARTICLE II – Mission

The mission of the YASIG shall be to The Young Adult Special Interest Group (YASIG) of the Missouri Library Association exists to promote the development of and increase in library services to the young adult population (youth ages 12-18) of the state. Recognizing that it's during the teen years that previously active patrons tend to disconnect from the library, we particularly seek ways to invite and encourage the use of the public library by this age group.

ARTICLE III – Membership

Members shall be those who have paid the yearly MLA dues and have selected YASIG in the Special Interest Group section of the MLA membership application.

ARTICLE IV - Steering Committee

Section A - The Steering Committee shall be composed of four officers elected by the membership of the SIG: Past-Chair, Chair, Vice-Chair, and Recorder.

Section B - One Steering Committee officer shall be elected at each annual meeting and shall serve a four year term of office in the following progression:

1. First year: Serve as Recorder.
2. Second year: Serve as Vice-Chair.
3. Third year: Serve as Chair.
4. Fourth year: Serve as Past-Chair providing guidance, support, and organizational memory.

Section C - Duties of the officers are as follows:

1. The Chair shall preside at all meetings of the Steering Committee and the SIG as a whole. The Chair shall plan, with the help of the Steering Committee, SIG programs and activities.

The Chair shall attend all MLA Executive Board meetings, as a non-voting member. If he/she can not attend a meeting they shall designate a Steering Committee member to represent them.

At the final Executive Board meeting the Chair is responsible for providing copies of required archival materials to the Executive Director for archiving. The Chair is also responsible for providing the Vice-Chair with the documents necessary for them to function as the SIG's Chair.

The Chair shall attend all conference planning meetings or designate a representative to attend.

2. The Vice-Chair shall preside in the absence of the Chair and shall assist with the planning of SIG programs and activities.

The Vice-Chair is required to attend the final Executive Board meeting with the Chair. This meeting will be an orientation meeting for incoming Chairs and important material will be distributed.

3. The Recorder shall record all official actions of the SIG, shall keep minutes of all meetings, and shall forward a copy of all meeting minutes to the Executive Director of MLA for archival purposes.

4. The Past-Chair will act as a liaison and guide for the SIG by providing guidance, support, and organizational memory.

Section D - Officers shall serve from January 1 to December 31 of the year after they are elected at the annual business meeting of the SIG.

Section E – Vacancies in elective positions shall be filled as follows:

1. The office of Chair shall be filled by the Vice-Chair for the remainder of the term. This succession shall not prevent the person who succeeds to the office of the Chair from serving a normal term as Chair the next year as provided by Article IV, Section B.

2. A vacancy in the office of Vice-Chair shall be filled by the Recorder.

3. A new Recorder shall be appointed by the Steering Committee to serve until the next annual business meeting at which an election is held.

4. If a vacancy occurs in the SIG and there are no other officers, the President of MLA shall secure an individual to fulfill the term of office until the next Annual Meeting at which time the members of the SIG shall select new officers.

Section F - Removal from elective position

Should a SIG officer demonstrate a pattern of failure to perform all the duties of an office, notification shall be given to the MLA President. The President, with the Executive Committee, shall investigate and, if appropriate, appoint a replacement until the next Annual meeting at which an election is held.

ARTICLE V - Nominations and Elections

Section A - Nominations are open to all members of YASIG.

Section B – On assuming office, the Chair of the SIG shall appoint a nominating committee of three members who represent varied groups, geographical areas, and interests.

Section C - The nominating committee shall present nominations each year for a Recorder to serve a three year term on the Steering Committee. If other vacancies exist the Committee will also submit names for those positions. The committee shall notify the membership of its nominations including a brief biographical sketch at least thirty days in advance of the regular annual SIG meeting. For regular elections, thirty days notice will be given. For special elections, the Steering Committee will give as much notice as is practical.

Section D - Elections shall be by written ballot at the annual meeting. Additional candidates may be added to the ballot by a nomination from the floor. Special elections shall be by written ballot or by e-mail, whichever the Steering Committee determines is most expedient.

ARTICLE VI - Meetings

Section A - The SIG shall hold meetings as appropriate during the year. At least one of these meetings, to be called the annual business meeting, shall be held in conjunction with the annual conference of MLA. Other meetings shall be held at a time and place to be set by the Steering Committee.

Section B - Regular meetings of the Steering Committee shall be held as needed to conduct the business of the SIG. These meetings may be conducted via teleconference or e-mail. A majority of the Steering Committee shall constitute a quorum.

Section C - Notice of all meetings shall be given to the MLA President-Elect and the two Members At Large so that they may attend.

Section D - Notice of all meetings shall be submitted to the MLA webmaster for posting on MLA's web-based calendar.

ARTICLE VII – Goals

Section A – The SIG shall annually present its goals and a timetable for accomplishing those goals for approval by the Executive Board.

Section B - The SIG shall sponsor a program at the MLA Annual Conference every year. The program may be co-sponsored with other MLA SIGs, Divisions or Committees.

Section C - The Steering Committee shall develop programs and activities that further the objectives of the SIG as stated in Article III of these Bylaws. They will strive to develop opportunities for programs and activities outside of the annual MLA conference.

ARTICLE VIII – Annual Report

Section A - The Steering Committee shall submit a written annual report to the MLA Executive Director as soon as possible and no later than thirty days after the annual business meeting. This report shall contain information concerning progress toward achieving the SIGs goals, modification to the goals in light of progress, future objectives, and any additional information requested by the MLA Executive Board. The report will be published in *MO INFO* and a hard copy retained for archival purposes.

Section B - The Chair may wish to present an oral annual report at the MLA Annual Membership Meeting if the SIG has significant information to impart to the entire MLA membership.

ARTICLE IX – Committees and Task Forces

Section A - The Chair shall appoint committees and task forces as needed, subject to the approval of the Steering Committee.

Section B - Members interested in particular issues within the SIG shall be encouraged to organize and meet regularly for the purpose of working together on those particular issues. The Steering Committee shall approve the formation of these smaller committees or task forces and a member of the Steering Committee shall serve as a liaison to these groups.

ARTICLE X – Financial Support

Section A - The SIG is eligible for financial support as provided by MLA Bylaws, Article IV, Section 4.

Section B - The Steering Committee, in planning SIG programs and activities, will prepare the proper paperwork needed to obtain the appropriate MLA funding.

ARTICLE XI - Archival Material Submission

Section A - The SIG Chair and/or Recorder shall submit to the Executive Director copies of all required information for archival purposes. The material must be submitted in written form.

Section B - The information submitted shall include copies of at least the following:

1. Bylaws-If there have been any changes made during the year.
2. Correspondence
3. Membership list
4. Minutes of meetings
5. Conference materials

ARTICLE XII - Review and Dissolution

Section A – The Executive Board shall review its endorsement of this SIG annually on the basis of the SIG's annual report. This review shall be conducted as a point of business at the final Executive Board meeting. If the Executive Board determines that the SIG is not adequately contributing to the mission and goals of the Association, the Chair of the SIG shall give cause at the next Executive Board meeting why the SIG should continue to be recognized. The Board shall determine at that meeting whether to withdraw its recognition of the SIG. Upon petition by at least 40 members of the Association, the decision of the Board may be appealed to the general membership at the next Annual Business Meeting.

Section B - The SIG may choose to dissolve itself by its own initiative with a majority vote of the existing SIG members. Notice of the SIG's vote for dissolution shall be sent to the Executive Board.

Section C - An inactive group may re-activate by meeting the criteria for formation as given in Article IV, Sections 1 and 2 of the MLA Bylaws and Section 5.1.1 of the MLA Handbook.

ARTICLE XIII - Amendments to the Bylaws

Section A - Bylaws for the SIG may be adopted, suspended, and amended at any regular meeting of the SIG by a two-thirds vote of the members present provided amendments have been submitted at the previous regular meeting or by regular mail or e-mail thirty days in advance of the next regular meeting. The Bylaws may also be adopted, suspended, and amended by a regular mail or e-mail ballot of the SIG by a two-thirds vote of the returned ballots provided the closing date of the ballot is at least sixty days after the date the ballots were mailed.

Section B - Any SIG Bylaws adopted, suspended, or amended must then be submitted to the MLA Bylaws/Handbook Committee for review and approval. Once the Committee has approved them, the Chair of the Committee presents them to the Executive Board for approval.

Adopted:

MISSOURI LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
Board Report

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| Unit/Stakeholder Page Number: | 21 |
| Unit/Stakeholder Name: | Conference--2009 |
| Unit/Stakeholder Representative Name: | June DeWeese and Judy Siebert Maseles |
| MLA Board Meeting Date: | September 11, 2009 |

I. Information Items

Since the July Board meeting, all program proposals have been accepted and all programs scheduled. Menus, Tours, Pre-Conferences, and multiple iterations of the programs and program at a glance have been posted to the MLA website. The Program brochure and program-at-a-glance will have been sent to the printer by the September Board meeting. Article for the September MO INFO has been submitted. Meeting has been scheduled between committee chairs, conference coordinators, MLA Executive Director and hotel staff. Sponsorship for the Friday morning All Conference breakfast has been finalized. Facilitator for the Member Forum and MLA Officer stakeholders has been scheduled.

II. Discussion Items

Touch Poll
Golf Tournament
Registration push out

III. Action Items

None

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| Unit/Stakeholder Page Number: | 23 |
| Unit/Stakeholder Name: | Intellectual Freedom Committee |
| Unit/Stakeholder Representative Name: | Jerry R. Brown, Chair |
| MLA Board Meeting Date: | Friday, 11 September 2009 |

I. Information Items

None at this time.

II. Discussion Items

None at this time.

III. Action Items

None at this time.

MISSOURI LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
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| Unit/Stakeholder Page Number: | 24 |
| Unit/Stakeholder Name: | Legislative Committee |
| Unit/Stakeholder Representative Name: | Kimberlee Ried, Interim Chair |
| MLA Board Meeting Date: | September 11, 2009 |

I. Information Items

MLA Legislative Advocate Randy Scherr will be presenting a session at the MLA Annual Conference on Legislative Issues 101. This serves as a good introductory session for those who want to know more about advocacy and what they can do to get involved and stay informed. His session will be on Thursday morning, October 8.

Legislative advocate Scherr was invited but not able to attend the July MLA Executive Board meeting.

The interim committee chair has continued communications with the Missouri state library and others in regards to economic stimulus (ARR) act. She has sat in on the monthly stimulus calls via ALA. Currently Missouri will be receiving funding for broadband access.

The Committee met in early September to work on a number of tasks. The Handbook section for this Committee has been completed and sent to the Bylaws and Handbook Committee for approval and presentation to the Board for acceptance.

The 2009 Bud Barnes Award winner is Senator Rob Mayer of Dexter, MO. Senator Mayer has been working with our lobbyist and the Association to re-work verbiage in regards to the introduction of sales tax revenue being available as an alternate source of funding for Missouri libraries.

The Committee also provided feedback to the Long Range Planning Committee in regards to the MLA survey work.

A draft contract renewal for Legislative Advocate Scherr has been completed and is attached for Board approval/review.

A draft of the Legislative Agenda has also been completed and is attached for Board review/approval.

Last the Committee has completed the draft Library Legislative Day budget and it has been sent to Treasurer Tony Garrett for Budget/Finance approval.

II. Discussion Items

None.

III. Action Items

Board vote needed on the proposed Legislative Advocate Contract with R.J. Scherr and Associates (attachment 1).

Board vote needed on the proposed 2010 Legislative Agenda for MLA (attachment 2).

**Legislative Advocate Agreement between the
Missouri Library Association
and
R.J. Scherr and Associates**

This Agreement is made and entered into on the ___ day of November 2009, between the Missouri Library Association (MLA) and Randy J. Scherr, doing business as R. J. Scherr & Associates (Mr. Scherr).

MLA desires to employ Mr. Scherr as a Registered Lobbyist, of R.J. Scherr and Associates, with the understanding that Mr. Scherr has a number of years of experience in governmental affairs, has represented clients before the Missouri Legislature, and wishes to represent and register as a lobbyist on behalf of MLA.

1. MLA hereby employs Mr. Scherr as a Registered Lobbyist and legislative representative (governmental consultant) for a period of one year, unless otherwise terminated, beginning January 1, 2010 and ending December 31, 2010

2. Mr. Scherr's duties include the following:

A. Mr. Scherr shall serve as an ex-officio, non-voting member of MLA's Legislative Committee and shall perform such duties as may be assigned to him from time to time by MLA's President or his/her designee, including contracting for a Legislative Day reception, acquiring an award trophy (if applicable), and making personal appearances and giving legislative updates to groups other than MLA such as the Secretary of State's Council on Library Development and the Missouri Public Library Directors. At the discretion of the President or his/her designee, such duties may be assigned by the Chair of MLA's Legislative Committee.

B. Mr. Scherr shall monitor all legislation directly affecting MLA and represent MLA's legislative interests to members of the Missouri Legislature, house and senate committees and agencies and organizations and their representatives with interests common to MLA's.

C. Mr. Scherr shall provide MLA with an Annual Report of Activities Treated as Lobbying under Section 162(e) of the Internal Revenue Code.

D. Mr. Scherr shall provide in-person reports to MLA's membership at the Annual Business Meeting conducted each year in conjunction with MLA's Annual Conference and shall report to the Executive Board at least twice each year as requested at Executive Board meetings.

E. Mr. Scherr shall provide periodic written reports to MLA's Legislative Committee via the MLA-Legislate electronic distribution list and report in-person to the Committee upon notice of scheduled meetings. Within Mr. Scherr's reports an update will be given in regards to pending legislation, notice of committee meetings, and notice of any movement or activity on legislation being monitored by MLA and R.J. Scherr and Associates.

F. Mr. Scherr shall provide an annual written report of activities and outcomes following his annual presentation to the membership.

3. In compensation for any and all services Mr. Scherr may provide to MLA, MLA shall pay Mr. Scherr \$10,000.00 USD per year, payable in twelve equal monthly installments of \$833.33 USD per month, payable on the last day of each month during the term of the agreement.

4. Either party may, upon thirty days written notice, terminate the working relationship. Termination for cause shall be initiated upon discovery of a substantial failure to perform duties as described in Section 2 above. In the event of Mr. Scherr's death during the term of this agreement, this agreement shall terminate on the last day of the month during the current legislative session.

5. MLA and Mr. Scherr agree that Mr. Scherr shall be reimbursed by MLA for his reasonable and necessary expenses including copies, phone charges, project related postage, reception charges, and award costs (if applicable). Reimbursable expense shall be documented, and MLA payment based upon receipt of original invoices and actual receipts, and shall not exceed \$4,500.00 without prior written approval.

6. Agreement terms are approved by MLA's Executive Board. Review and pre-approval of expenses is the responsibility of the MLA President.

7. MLA's Legislative Committee will review Mr. Scherr's performance and make recommendations to the MLA Executive Board. This shall occur in month six (June) of this twelve month agreement in order to determine his retention for the coming year.

8. Any and all correspondence to Mr. Scherr shall be addressed to: R.J. Scherr & Associates, 101 East High Street, Suite 200, Jefferson City, MO 65101 and sent via certified mail. Any and all correspondence to the MLA shall be addressed to: MLA, c/o President, 3212-A LeMone Industrial Boulevard, Columbia, MO 65201 and sent via certified mail.

Finding the terms of this agreement acceptable the parties or their authorized representatives have signed below.

Missouri Library Association

By _____ Date: _____
Kimberlee Ried, President, Missouri Library Association

R.J. Scherr and Associates

By _____ Date: _____
Randy J. Scherr, R.J. Scherr & Associates

**Missouri Library Association
Legislative Agenda
2010**

MLA will work for full funding from the Non-Resident Professional Athletes & Entertainers Tax (143.183 RSMo)

The Non-Resident Professional Athletes and Entertainers Tax (*A&E Tax*) is a tax on the earnings of professional athletes and entertainers when playing or performing in the State of Missouri. It is collected by the State of Missouri and, by Statute, is to be distributed among the following five groups: **Missouri State Library Networking Fund, (10%), Missouri Humanities Council Trust Fund (10%); Missouri Public Television Broadcasting Corporation Special Fund (10%); Missouri Historic Preservation Revolving Fund (10%) and the Missouri Arts Council Trust Fund (60%).**

The 10% of the A&E funds distributed to public libraries is to purchase books and other library materials.

Librarians, trustees and the Missouri Library Association are requesting that full funding be restored to the Missouri State Library Networking Fund for public libraries at the levels outlined in the Statutes. The amount of funds available should also be based upon the actual amount collected as reported by the Missouri Department of Revenue.

MLA opposes any attempts to allow groups other than the above listed cultural partners to benefit from A&E revenues prior to fair and equitable distribution of A&E monies to libraries.

MLA will support, at a minimum, the appropriation requests of the Secretary of State and for the University of Missouri Related Programs such as MOREnet.

These appropriations include:

Missouri State Library funding covers staffing/programs of Missouri State Library, library development and consultant services to libraries in the State as well as the following programs:

State Aid for Public Libraries totaled \$4,004,456 for FY2010. The appropriation included funding that allowed 55 cents per capita state aid based on 2000 federal census figures.

The amounts being requested for the coming legislative session have not yet been determined. These amounts may not be known until the day of the Governor's Budget Message in January of 2009. As stated above, MLA will support, at a minimum, the appropriation request of the Secretary of State or an appropriation that will result in 55-cent per capita state aid as was appropriated in FY 2009.

Remote Electronic Access for Libraries (REAL) provides Internet connectivity and bandwidth for public libraries. In addition, it also provides statewide electronic licenses for information databases for Missouri libraries. MLA supports all requests for funding for REAL. This program allows all Missouri communities to stand on an equal footing, providing equal access to learning materials, small business resources, and other essential and not otherwise available information. Missouri and Missourians need this program to stay competitive with our neighboring states and in the world economy.

Other programs included in the Missouri State Library appropriations include the administration of federal grants and Literacy Investment for Tomorrow (LIFT).

The *Show-Me Connection* study from June 2004 concluded the following. "Summer learning loss is real. Spending time reading over the summer has proven effective in reducing this loss. Cooperating with the local public library to provide a summer reading program allows students to read more consistently while simultaneously giving them expanded opportunities to access resources. Summer reading programs impact student achievement." In support of this conclusion, since FY 2007 the legislature has provided in the budget core funding to support summer reading programs. MLA supports the core appropriation for summer reading programs and would oppose any decrease in the core funding for the program.

In 2007, the Secretary of State proposed the Missouri Digital Heritage Initiative. The program was created to fulfill several missions. First, the program builds a technological structure with the capacity to search millions of pages of resources that local groups can use to make their historical records easily accessible on the web. The program creates partnerships between the Missouri State Archives and the Missouri State Library, (divisions of the Secretary of State's office) and local governments, public libraries and community institutions. Finally, the program identifies millions of pages of information (documents, maps and photos) accessible via the Internet for instant access and use by students, citizens, historians, journalists and genealogists. To support this important effort, the legislature provides funding in the core budget to support the Missouri Digital Heritage Initiative. MLA supports the core appropriation and would oppose any decrease in the core funding for this program.

Funding for the *Wolfner Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped* supports the cost of housing the collections of material and equipment as well as services and staff. MLA supports the work and services provided by the Wolfner Library and opposes any decrease in funding for this program.

University of Missouri Related Programs includes appropriation requests for funding of the following programs:

MOREnet (Missouri Research and Education Network) manages a statewide education and research network that links public libraries, schools, higher education institutions and state agencies to a secure broadband Internet connection and to each other. MOREnet also provides vital technical support, security services, and E-rate assistance in addition to staff training, video services and access to on-line resources. Because of the ever-changing advances in the world of technology, it is critical that additional funding be provided to MOREnet. To keep Missouri's investment in its public technical infrastructure, MOREnet needs additional funding every year for equipment and for upgrades to maintain and to enhance the state's backbone network. To this end, MLA supports MOREnet's requests for funding.

With the State of Missouri's every increasing use of technology and the Internet as a means of conducting business and communicating with its citizenry, it is vital for the State to assure access to this information to all citizens. MLA will support efforts to obtain new funding to increase Internet access capacity for public libraries and K-20 member connections.

MLA supports MOREnet's requests for funding increases.

- A cost to continue request in the amount of \$459,166 to support an increase to the salary and wage pool and the associated benefits and inflationary increases in other expenses incurred in providing services to the citizens of Missouri.

- A core restoration request in the amount of \$1,275,461 to restore the base budget to FY09 funding levels. The majority of the restoration of the base would be used for the projected cost of meeting the demand from public K-12 school districts for additional local telecommunication connection capacity to the Shared Network.
- A one-time equipment request in the amount of \$3,535,000 to cover shared network and video equipment to address increasing volume and capacity needs, improve quality and performance and to update equipment that is nearing end of life.

*Stated amounts are based on MOREnet's original requests, as submitted to the UM Curators and are subject to change based on the Governor's budget recommendation.

Common Library Platform began as a state/institutional partnership that allows students, staff, faculty and patrons in Missouri to access books and materials owned by public/independent colleges and universities throughout Missouri. MOBIUS (Missouri Bibliographic and Information User System) is the consortium that oversees the administration of this system. [Additionally, MOBIUS is looking to increase the number of public libraries participating in MOBIUS.](#) MOBIUS has not received any state appropriations for these purposes in recent years. MLA supports appropriations for MOBIUS to enhance resource sharing and to strengthen the Common Library Platform.

MLA supports adequate assistance for The State Historical Society of Missouri in Columbia. The State Historical Society houses the Missouri newspaper collection as well as a collection of materials relating to Missouri's heritage. These resources are very valuable to our state and must be preserved.

MLA will monitor all property tax legislation.

Local property taxes, both real estate and personal property, are the primary funding source of Missouri's public libraries. Percentages may vary from library to library, but it is not unusual for a library to have over 90% of its annual income being derived from property taxes.

While public schools and local community colleges are not as dependent on property taxes as public libraries, these institutions still receive a portion of their income from these taxes.

Any legislation that attempts to lower property taxes or do away with them would adversely affect Missouri's public libraries and could also have a negative effect on school and community college libraries.

For this reason, MLA will monitor all property tax legislation and make members of the Missouri General Assembly aware of how specific pieces of legislation affects library service in Missouri. MLA supports efforts to establish methods to fairly assess real and personal property.

In addition, MLA will monitor any legislation that attempts to aid assessors in property assessments. MLA will study cost versus the benefits of any proposed legislation as well as any Hancock Amendment implications.

MLA supports alternative funding sources

MLA will monitor legislation that attempts to provide a diversification of revenue from alternative tax sources (including, but not limited to sales) statewide and local options. MLA supports the efforts to determine what alternative tax sources there might be for libraries.

MLA will monitor all legislation dealing with Tax Increment Financing (TIFs), Chapter 100 RSMo, Chapter 353 RSMo, enterprise zones and tax abatements and the effects of the implementation of such legislation.

Economic development and growth is vital to the State of Missouri and to local communities. However, there are concerns when incentives offered to developers and new industries include the new tax revenue that would go to local taxing entities.

Under TIFs and tax abatement, developers use the funds that would normally pay the property taxes on new developments to cover costs associated with the project. This means that taxing entities are not receiving property taxes on the new development because the funds are being diverted.

When TIFs and tax abatements are used to finance commercial developments, some of the entities having their tax incomes diverted do receive additional new income from the sales tax generated by the development. Public libraries, along with other entities such as fire and ambulance districts, do not receive sales tax. Therefore, these districts must wait until the TIF or tax abatement is retired before any financial benefit is received. In many cases, the wait can be several years, including the statutory limit of twenty-three years. However, it is not unusual for a major commercial entity to file for a new development and a new set of incentives just as the old package is preparing to expire.

Because of the effect TIFs and tax abatements can have on the funding of public libraries and other property tax supported political subdivisions, MLA monitors any proposed legislation in these areas. It is the position of MLA that these laws should be more restrictive regarding eligibility requirements for developments.

MLA will examine and support that legislation which strengthens public library districts' status as political subdivisions and will monitor all legislation pertaining to the governance of libraries.

It is important that all public libraries be strong, independent political subdivisions regardless of their type of library district. [MLA believes that a local library's Board of Trustees should make the decisions regarding all library services. Missouri's public libraries have been encouraged to adopt their own policies regarding Internet usage and filtering, content selection, collection development and the location of materials within a library. These local policies will take into consideration the community needs of that library district.](#)

Library districts should have the same basic powers that are granted to other political subdivisions of the State, including, but not limited to the power to set their tax levies, budget their funds, make decisions regarding services and enter into contracts.

MLA will closely monitor any proposed legislation relating to the boundaries between municipal library districts and county library districts (referred to as the '65 law) as well as proposals relating to broadening the library sub-district law.

Any legislation that relates to the governance of libraries shall be studied by the MLA Legislative Committee to determine its effect upon libraries. This includes proposed legislation relating to

Chapter 182 (County and City Libraries – Libraries Generally) and Chapter 181 (State Library) of the Revised Statutes of the State of Missouri.

MLA will monitor legislative activities and court actions related to the Hancock Amendment and other proposals related to state revenue/expenditures limitations.

The Hancock Amendment (Article X, Sections 16 to 24 of the Constitution of Missouri) deals with revenue limitations including limits on the amount of taxes the legislature may impose as well as the setting of tax levies and fees by all political subdivisions in the State. Any legislation related to The Hancock Amendment has an effect upon all tax supported political subdivisions.

Institutions such as the Missouri State Library, universities, public libraries, school districts and community colleges all rely very heavily on tax-generated revenues.

MLA closely monitors any proposal relating to placing limitations on state revenues and state expenditures or proposals affecting any state funds that benefit libraries.

MLA will continue to build coalitions with political subdivisions that have similar interests in legislation and funding.

Many of the issues that are of concern to librarians as well as trustees and friends also affect other political subdivisions in the State. By working together, MLA and other groups will increase awareness of these concerns and needs.

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| Unit/Stakeholder Page Number: | 25 |
| Unit/Stakeholder Name: | Long Range Planning |
| Unit/Stakeholder Representative Name: | Karen Hayden, Chair |
| MLA Board Meeting Date: | 9-11-2009 |

I. Information Items

Leo Agnew will be the facilitator at the upcoming all-member breakfast and forum at the 2009 Annual Conference. All MLA members are encouraged to attend and participate in the discussion.

II. Discussion Items

None

III. Action Items

None

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| Unit/Stakeholder Page Number: | 26 |
| Unit/Stakeholder Name: | Membership |
| Unit/Stakeholder Representative Name: | Kimberlee Ried |
| MLA Board Meeting Date: | September 11, 2009 |

I. Information Items

The committee is preparing for their session at the MLA Annual Conference. The “Introduction to MLA” session will be facilitated by Debbie Luchenbill and Kimberlee Ried.

A lapsed leader list of members who are MLA leaders that have not paid their membership has been sent to the MLA president for Board discussion and determination of next steps.

II. Discussion Items

none

III. Action Items

none

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| Unit/Stakeholder Page Number: | 28 |
| Unit/Stakeholder Name: | Public Relations Committee |
| Unit/Stakeholder Representative Name: | Diane Hunter |
| MLA Board Meeting Date: | September 11, 2009 |

I. Information Items

Progress continues:

Christina Pryor is working on a marketing plan.

Cynthia Hudson is working on a strategy for marketing MLA to library school students.

The committee offered to assist with conference promotion, if needed.

II. Discussion Items

None

III. Action Items

None

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| Unit/Stakeholder Page Number: | 32 |
| Unit/Stakeholder Name: | CSRT |
| Unit/Stakeholder Representative Name: | Jeana Gockley |
| MLA Board Meeting Date: | September 11, 2009 |

I. Information Items

CSRT SIG Steering Committee Selected Patt Behler Call-to-Conference Award Winner.

II. Discussion Items

III. Action Items

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| Unit/Stakeholder Page Number: | 33 |
| Unit/Stakeholder Name: | Circulation-Interlibrary Loan SIG |
| Unit/Stakeholder Representative Name: | Katherine E. Bohnenkamper, Chair |
| MLA Board Meeting Date: | Sep. 11, 2009 |

I. Information Items

Officers consulted on contents of article for the September issue of *MO INFO*.

II. Discussion Items

None at this time.

III. Action Items

None at this time.

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| Unit/Stakeholder Page Number: | 35 |
| Unit/Stakeholder Name: | Genealogy and Local History |
| Unit/Stakeholder Representative Name: | Mary Beveridge |
| MLA Board Meeting Date: | September 11, 2009 |

I. Information Items

none

II. Discussion Items

none

III. Action Items

none

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| Unit/Stakeholder Page Number: | 36 |
| Unit/Stakeholder Name: | Government Documents SIG |
| Unit/Stakeholder Representative Name: | Barbara Rehkop, Chair |
| MLA Board Meeting Date: | 11 September 2009 |

I. Information Items

Government Documents SIG sent an e-mail to its members and to the MODOC-L listserv advertising the programs it is sponsoring or co-sponsoring at Conference. We have also invited our members to complete a survey/evaluation of the SIG, which will be discussed at the annual meeting.

II. Discussion Items

Include issues for which you desire discussion, and include recommendations.

III. Action Items

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| Unit/Stakeholder Page Number: | 37 |
| Unit/Stakeholder Name: | Outreach Special Interest Group |
| Unit/Stakeholder Representative Name: | Nicole Powell, Chair |
| MLA Board Meeting Date: | September 11, 2009 |

I. Information Items

Vice-Chair Megan Garrett had a family emergency and had to cancel her attendance to the July Executive Board meeting.

Vice-Chair Megan Garrett submitted a Poster Session Proposal: ""Every Child Ready to Read.""

We received notice that the Poster Session Proposal was accepted for the 2009 MLA Conference.

We received two responses to the listserv recruitment efforts. The 2009 Recorder position is still open.

II. Discussion Items

No discussions

III. Action Items

No actions

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| Unit/Stakeholder Page Number: | 38 |
| Unit/Stakeholder Name: | PEER SIG |
| Unit/Stakeholder Representative Name: | Janet Caruthers, Chair |
| MLA Board Meeting Date: | 11 September 2009 |

I. Information Items

- Interviewed three Bohley Scholarship applicants by phone and gave candidate recommendation to MLA President.
- Working on the Bohley Silent Auction-gathering auction items
- Bohley Golf Tournament-flyer finalized, recruitment started, confirming details
- Reviewed Emerging Leader applications and selected a candidate; gave recommendation to MLA President.

II. Discussion Items

None.

III. Action Items

None.

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| Unit/Stakeholder Page Number: | 39 |
| Unit/Stakeholder Name: | Reference & Information Services SIG |
| Unit/Stakeholder Representative Name: | Carol Smith, Chair |
| MLA Board Meeting Date: | Friday, May 1, 2009 |

I. Information Items

Since the July 24, 2009 board meeting, RISSIG has focused on the following activities:

1. Finalization of sponsored conference presentations.

Efforts have included contacting each presenter to confirm their presentation proposal acceptance and scheduled presentation date/time, arranging for a speaker introduction at each presentation, and confirming equipment requirements.

RISSIG sponsored/co-sponsored programs for 2009 Conference are:

Wednesday, October 7

- 2:15-3:00pm Net Geners are Calling: Can You Answer?
- 2:15-3:00pm From Writing to Wiki: The Evolution and Upkeep of a Reference Notebook (co-sponsors: PLS/MACRL)
- 3:15-4:00pm Subject Guides – The Way You Want Them (co-sponsor: MACRL)

Thursday, October 8

- 8:45-9:30am Models of Reorganization of Academic Reference Departments
- 9:45-10:45am Emerging Technologies Education for Missouri: A Focus Group Session

Friday, October 9

- 9:15-10:15am The Piano Made Us Do It! Student Performances at the Library (co-sponsor: MACRL)
- 10:30-11:30am Leading a Science Fiction Discussion Group: Ray Bradbury's Fahrenheit 451
- 2:00-2:45pm MO Source Link – Start and Grow a Business (co-sponsor: Gov Docs SIG)
- 3:00-3:45pm United Way Missouri 2-1-1 Health and Human Service Information and Referral

2. Recruitment of 2010 RISSIG Recorder

RISSIG is committed to maintaining a roster of officers that represent a broad range of libraries and library types across the state. The officers currently consist of two academic librarians and one public librarian (incoming chair for 2010). We have been advertising across the state for a new recorder, and have already identified candidates that will contribute to a balanced SIG that meets the reference interests and needs of all libraries.

II. Discussion Items

No discussion items.

III. Action Items

No action items.

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| Unit/Stakeholder Page Number: | 40 |
| Unit/Stakeholder Name: | Support Staff/Paraprofessional SIG |
| Unit/Stakeholder Representative Name: | Connie Bush, Chair |
| MLA Board Meeting Date: | September 11, 2009 |

I. Information Items

Ken Werne was contacted and confirmed as the presenter at our Pre-Conference on Dealing with Difficult Customers.

II. Discussion Items

No discussion items at this time.

III. Action Items

No action items.

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| Unit/Stakeholder Page Number: | 41 |
| Unit/Stakeholder Name: | Tech Services SIG |
| Unit/Stakeholder Representative Name: | Amy Pennington, Vice-chair |
| MLA Board Meeting Date: | 9.11.09 |

I. Information Items

SIG officer personnel:

We have had some issues and changes with our SIG officer personnel this year. Elizabeth Madson recently took a position out-of-state and therefore needed to step down as Recorder. We thank her for her service and wish her well in her new position. Lori Kupsky, Catalog Librarian at Saint Louis University's Pius XII Memorial Library, has agreed to serve as the SIG's Recorder for the remainder of the year. We have been unable to contact our Chair, Natasha Grando, since she went on maternity leave in January of this year. We are currently in the process of trying to resolve this issue. An email has been sent to the MLA President and Executive Director. Depending on the outcome, and depending on whether or not Lori is able and willing to continue as Vice-chair next year, we may need to elect a new Vice-chair as well as Recorder at our annual business meeting during the annual conference. The current Vice-chair is still willing to serve as Chair next year, and the current Past-chair (Keri Cascio) is willing to serve as Past-chair for another year. An official call for candidates will be included in the Sept. issue of MO INFO and will also need to be sent out to MLA-L sometime in Sept.

MLA Annual Conference 2009:

SIG officers have continued to promote conference sessions by submitting information to be published in MO INFO (July and Sept. issues). Amy Pennington, Vice-chair, is in the process of organizing a panel of catalogers for the session 'Expert Community Experiment Evaluation.' An email promoting our conference sessions will need to be sent out to MLA-L sometime in Sept.

ALCTS CRG news:

Amy Pennington, Vice-chair, had the opportunity to attend the ALCTS CRG (Council of Regional Groups) membership meeting at ALA Annual in Chicago in July. She was able to report what our group (now an official CRG affiliate) has been working on and gather information about other affiliates, as well as learn more about the Speakers' Bureau and ALCTS/ CRG efforts and activities in general.

II. Discussion Items

None

III. Action Items

None

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| Unit/Stakeholder Page Number: | 42 |
| Unit/Stakeholder Name: | Young Adult Special Interest Group (YASIG) |
| Unit/Stakeholder Representative Name: | Sarah Erwin |
| MLA Board Meeting Date: | 9.11.09 |

I. Information Items

Communicated conference schedule to all speakers including YASIG author
Communicated with Executive Director regarding Book Signing at Conference
Continued to work with Conference Coordinators, answering questions and providing more information where needed
Working on August YA Round Up (will possibly become FALL YA Round Up!)
Contributed to MOInfo

II. Discussion Items

None

III. Action Items

None

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| Unit/Stakeholder Page Number: | 45 |
| Unit/Stakeholder Name: | MASL |
| Unit/Stakeholder Representative Name: | Maggie Newbold, President |
| MLA Board Meeting Date: | September 11, 2009 |

I. Information Items:

Launched a new, very easy to use website on August 21: maslonline.org

Fall Seminar: Please join us for the MASL Fall Seminar at Holiday Inn Select, Columbia on October 10, 2009. The keynote speaker is nationally recognized and award-winning St. Louis newscaster, John Brown. Brown is author of *Missouri Legends*. Consider his address a preview to the 2010 Spring Conference theme, "Missouri Wonders." The seminar includes several in-demand breakout sessions, including training from MOREnet, grant writing, AASL's Learning for Life (L4L), and more.

Spring Conference: 2010: Missouri Wonders

April 18-20, 2010

Tan-Tar-A Resort

Osage Beach, Missouri

Featured speakers include: Allison Zmuda, understanding by design expert and education consultant, author of *Librarians as Learning Specialists: Meeting the Learning Imperative for the 21st Century*; Teri Lesesne, professor and children's literature expert, author of *Making the Match: The Right Book for the Right Reader at the Right Time*; and Bob Priddy, story teller for *Across Our Wide Missouri*.

II. Discussion Items

None

III. Action Items

None