

**Delaware Library Association
Executive Board Meeting
Milton Public Library
October 10, 2006**

In Attendance

Paul Anderson, Michael Gutierrez, Lynne Haines, Terra Hudson, Terri Jones, Rebecca Knight, Dianna McKellar, Anne Norman, Carol Rudisell

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Delaware Library Association (DLA) President Paul Anderson at 3:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the August 15, 2006 meeting were approved.

New Business

Emerging Leaders

Paul Anderson reported that Wanda Nesbit was selected to participate in the American Library Association (ALA) Emerging Leaders Program. She will receive \$1,000 in travel funding from the Delaware Library Association (DLA) to attend the Emerging Leaders Program sessions at the ALA Midwinter Meeting in Seattle in January 2007, and at the ALA Annual Conference in Washington, D.C. in June 2007. As part of the program, Ms. Nesbit will also participate in online leadership development opportunities between the two national conferences.

Terri Jones suggested that we create opportunities to have Ms. Nesbit share her ideas after going through the Emerging Leaders Program.

Paul moved that we provide each DLA-sponsored Emerging Leader with a free one-year membership to DLA. The motion was seconded and approved. It was suggested that the award recipient be allowed a brief allotment of time to report on the benefits of the Emerging Leaders Program at the DLA Membership Meeting.

Other 2006/07 DLA Initiatives

Carol Rudisell suggested that DLA consider adopting or raising funds for a library that suffered damage due to Hurricane Katrina. Other possibilities include making a contribution to an association that provides support to such libraries. Carol and Paul will investigate our options. DSMLA has raised and contributed \$1,300 for the ALA relief fund.

Rebecca Knight suggested that DLA consider creating an Archives Committee and creating a checklist of pertinent procedures.

Dianna McKellar suggested that DLA begin adding minutes of past meetings to its Web site.

DLA Conference

Paul Anderson reported that he is in the process of lining up speakers for the DLA Conference. He also gave an outline for events at the Conference. A continental breakfast will be provided for all registrants. The programming will begin with an awards program. There will be a one-hour non-conflict time for the keynote speaker. This will be followed by division programs, lunch and a second round of division programs. Next there will be a break in the schedule to allow attendees time to speak with conference vendors. The DLA full Membership Meeting will follow, and the conference will close with a wine and cheese gathering possibly tied to an author signing.

Lisa Olson and Kathy Graybeal will be added to the DLA Conference Program Planning Committee.

Delaware Book Festival

Anne Norman reported that the Delaware Book Festival Web site is now up at the following URL: www.debookfestival.lib.de.us. There was discussion concerning staffing of the DLA table at the Delaware Book Festival and what would be exhibited at the table. Paul moved that rather than exhibiting at the Book Festival, DLA would contribute at the rate of a sponsor listed in the program. This motion was seconded and approved.

Treasurer's Report

Michael Gutierrez distributed the treasurer's report. He also reported that we received a check for \$1,000 from Elizabeth Hudson Perry, a DLA Scholarship recipient who never used the award. She was awarded \$800.00 from DLA in 1994, and has returned this amount with interest.

The DLA billboard will go up in the last 2 weeks in October. The estimated cost is \$584.00

Division Reports

CRLD

Rebecca Knight presented the CRLD report on behalf of Julie Brewer.

Fall Program:

The DLA College and Research Libraries Division will present a fall program entitled "HiTech, LoTech and NoTech Approaches to Instruction" on Tuesday, October 17, 2006 at the Widener University Law Center from 8:30 a.m. to noon.

The CRLD Fall Program will focus on instructional design for teaching and learning in academic libraries. Speakers will talk about: how to incorporate instructional technology with bibliographic instruction; designing tutorials; information ethics and plagiarism; and working with undergraduates and new faculty who favor multimodal technologies, as well as older students, first-generation students, and international students.

The keynote speaker is Dr. Tim McGee, Director, Instructional Design and Technology, Philadelphia University. There are also three panelists, and one poster session presentation.

Further program details are available on the CRLD webpage.

Recent Activities:

On behalf of the CRLD, and with much input from CRLD members, Julie Brewer wrote a letter to Dr. Allen Sessoms, President, Delaware State University, expressing concern for how the William C. Jason Library at Delaware State University was represented in the September 16, 2006 *News Journal* article.

PALS

Byron McGriff sent in a report via e-mail that the next PALS meeting will be held on Nov. 1st at TGI Friday's in Dover.

Delaware Division of Libraries

Anne Norman reported that Delaware's public libraries have partnered with the Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control's Delaware Energy Office to distribute energy-saving light bulbs to residential electric customers in the "Flip the Switch, Delaware...and Save!" campaign. As part of the program, libraries receive 10 cents for each light bulb distributed. The free fluorescent bulbs were provided by the Delaware Energy An\$wers Program, the state's new energy efficiency initiative, made possible by Governor Ruth Ann Minner and the Delaware General Assembly. This initiative will help Delawareans reduce their electric bills and conserve energy. The Delaware Energy An\$wers Program is funded by the Energy Efficiency Financial Incentives Act of 2006, which appropriates \$8 million for energy efficiency projects. Sandra Burton is the Energy Efficiency Coordinator with the Delaware Energy Office.

Standing Committees

Legislative Action Committee

Catherine Wojewodzki sent a report via e-mail that the DLA Legislative Action Committee will meet Oct. 17 at 4:00 pm at the Division of Libraries in Dover. The meeting should last about an hour. The Committee will discuss its legislative agenda for the next session and Legislative Action Day. All DLA members are welcome to attend this meeting and/or join this committee.

Membership Committee

Paul Anderson gave a report on behalf of Paula Davino. Paula has updated the membership database. Paul will see if a list of those in each division can be sent to the division chairs.

At 5:00 p.m., the meeting was adjourned. The next Delaware Library Association Executive Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 9, 2007 from 2:00 – 4:30 p.m. at the Newark Public Library.

*Submitted by Dianna McKellar
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DLA Secretary, 2006/2007*

Approved January 9, 2007