

Paraprofessional Section Report  
October 2004

The Paraprofessional/Support section had our “Spring” meeting on June 11, 2004 with the Public/Trustees section. This meeting was held in Casper, WY at the Natrona Public Library. This was a well attend meeting with 26 section members attending. The day was divided into two workshops. The morning session sponsored by the Paraprofessional/Support section dealt with work process, relationships and personality. Ben Taucher of Casper was the presenter of “At work or Reverie” I’m still getting paid, and that’s a good thing.”

Before lunch, each section divided into our respective groups and had very short business meetings. One of the main topics for our section at this meeting was the idea of a new employee handbook. This handbook would be universal for new employees and would address what is available to them in relation to WLA, information on the Patriot Act, etc. Trish Palluck made the short presentation. We also discussed the LSTA grants available. Jo Winkle made a plea for nominations for Chair-elect and secretary.

After lunch the Public/Trustee section sponsored Elizabeth Jennings from the UW Center for Volunteer Services. She addressed the topic of “Working with volunteers.”

Later in the summer, I polled the Paraprofessional/Support staff on the new employee handbook. Due to lack of response, this topic will be addressed at our meeting in Rock Springs.

Next meeting will be on October 14, 2004 in Rock Springs, WY.

Respectfully submitted,  
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