

Minutes of the School Section Meeting of Library Media Personnel  
Fall Conference of the Wyoming Library Association  
Holiday Inn, Cody  
September 28, 2001

The meeting was called to order by president, Shelly King, at 3:30. The minutes of the Fall, 2000 section meeting of SSLMP were read, corrected and accepted.

Shelly gave a brief report on the available balance of \$429.14. Last year at this time the balance on hand was approximately \$800. Shelly also briefly reviewed the WLA changes regarding the 5 year to 10 year period for award books.

Mary Jayne Jordan passed out the report on the survey results, which she described as, a work in progress. She indicated that trying to incorporate the suggestion from Keith Curry Lance regarding minutes per week had resulted in data that was very difficult to report or quantify. Her suggestion for next time was to limit respondents answers to bubble sheets for ease of quantifying, interpreting, and reporting data. Mary Jayne's summary, at this point, was that overall the the number of certified positions was decreasing; while numbers of paraprofessionals reporting were rising. She also felt that gains made through Jan Segerstrom's course offerings were not reflected in these survey results. Mary Jayne intends to report results on the website at a later date.

Mary Jayne then spoke about the need to continue with the SSLMP newsletter in printed form for those who don't have access to the Web and for the ease of taking it along and reading at a convenient time. She was concerned that the section's low balance may make that problematic. The newsletter goes to all school library personnel, not just those who belong to or attend WLA. She also asked for contribution for the newsletter.

There are brochures available in pdf format that can be downloaded from the WLA site. Mary Jayne can be contacted through the e-list or at <[jordanqtrhorses@mcn.net](mailto:jordanqtrhorses@mcn.net)>

Jan Segerstrom reported on the Information Power meeting. The participants examined the Internet site content, specifically goals and objectives. Jan will post changes on the website under IP implementation plan. She also requested suggestions for the program in the Spring. Classes will continue during the school year, with additional classes offered next summer. Jan Burke, Gillette, will be helping with instruction in the northeast corner of the state. Alice recommending posting information about course offering on the calendar on the website.

Alice Ferris said that the trial period for database to be selected for the WYLD system beginning July of 2002 will begin soon. Jan Segerstrom asked a question regarding the status of Wilson Current Biography for this school year.

**New Business:**

Last year membership in the SSLMP was 65, this year 35. This accounts for some of our budget problem. Mary Jayne urged all members to not only keep their membership in WLA current (the registration form is on the website and membership for 2002 is due in January); but to also be sure to pay the additional \$5 and join the school section. Shelly will be comparing lists and reminding those who haven't paid their dues to do so.

Lisa Smith stated that there would be 4 titles for sale at the author dinner; and that those who purchased books would be able to get them autographed by the author, Roland Smith. She would be accepting vouchers, cash, payment through WSL, but no credit cards.

Jan Segerstrom inquired about those planning on attending AASL in Indianapolis. Carla Howard was planning on attending and possibly Leslie Davies. MPLA will be in Phoenix in early December.

There was a brief discussion regarding planning for the Spring school section meeting in Casper. Suggestion should go to Val Rhoady, in-coming chair who will be the program director.

Nominations were requested for officers for the year:

Lisa Smith (chair)  
Val Rhoady (chair-elect)  
Cheryl Davis (secretary)

No other nomination were forthcoming. Alice made a motion to accept the slate as stated by acclamation, motion was seconded.

Shelly King gave her chair's report, by stating that she had enjoyed her three years as secretary, chair-elect, and chair. She felt that it had been the best way to get to know everybody and to voice her opinion.

Announcements regarding the rest of that day's events were made. With no other new business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:05.

Submitted by,  
Cheryl Davis