



Kentucky Public Library Association
Business Meeting
September 16, 2010
KLA/KSMA Fall Conference-The Galt House Louisville, KY

Chair JC Morgan called the meeting to order at 8am.

Dave Schroeder move to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, seconded by Paul Poland. Motion carried unanimously.

There was no Treasurer's report.

CHAIR'S REPORT- JC Morgan

The KPLA brochures have the new updated insertions.

There were 150 attendees at the February, 2010 Legislative Day in Frankfort.

There were 340 attendees at the 2010 KPLA Spring Conference. KPLA cleared approximately \$20,000.

Julie Maruskin has resigned as co-chair from the Intellectual Freedom Committee. Ron Critchfield is the new Co-Chair. Ron will be receiving the Intellectual Freedom award during the KLA Awards Luncheon.

A new award has been added: the PR & Marketing Award, and JC hopes there are many nominations.

JC congratulated the KPLA board on a job well done and welcomed the new board. Susan Nimersheim will attend ALA in New Orleans in July, 2011 as Vice Chair-Elect. Dave Schroeder will attend Legislative Day in Washington DC May 9-10, 2011 as current Chair. JC will attend as Past Chair and Chair of the Advocacy Committee. Vice Chair Martha White is currently planning next year's KPLA Spring Conference.

The budget will be redone for more clarity. Also, last year there was \$13,000 budgeted for the Legislative effort including READ posters, stickers, and posters. The amount will be increased to \$14,000 this year.

PAST CHAIR-Kristi Tucker

The Directors' listserv has been operating smoothly. JC Morgan will now manage the listserv as Past Chair. Kristi also reported that anyone can join the KPLA listserv but it is not to be used for commercial purposes.

STATE LIBRARY COMMISSIONER-Wayne Onkst

The state aid has been decreased again and will be distributed in two checks. Libraries should expect their first check in October with the second check arriving January 1.

Construction grants that had been cut have now been restored.

The Leadership Institute has been going well with 6 of the 8 sessions completed. Evaluations are encouraged to help improve next year's Leadership Institute which is in the planning stages.

Sixty libraries have been awarded the BTOP Grant for broadband access totaling \$1.3 million for technology improvements. The grant is now in the reporting stage.

Sixty-five students are recipients of the Bridging the Gap scholarship this Fall. Also, ninety students working in public libraries are enrolled in courses this Fall. There are six classes being offered for board certification.

The courier service has made a smooth transition. Team member Ron Critchfield is representing Public Libraries as new funding for KYVL is being discussed. The cost will increase substantially.

All county tax rates have been certified.

The method used regarding how tax rates are set may change in the coming year.

Most of the annual reports have been submitted. A copy of the most recent audit must be submitted. Also, libraries must comply with the laws regarding monthly meetings and attendance. A trustee cannot miss four meetings in a fiscal year.

Eleven new public library buildings were opened this year. Nine public libraries have begun the building stage.

The Olive Hill library building in Carter County was destroyed. It is being restored but with limited operating funds. They are also currently receiving applications for a new Director.

McLean County Public Library is getting closer to opening.

Ballard County Public Library is currently closed; the bookmobile is operating.

KDLA is conducting interviews for a new Region 7 Consultant (Jimmie Epling's former position).

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Advocacy- JC Morgan

The committee is still watching for any legislation that might impact HB44.

The Advocacy Committee retreat was September 2, 2010.

The next Library Legislative Day is scheduled for February 9, 2011.

The Committee is planning to record a video for Youtube to encourage advocacy for libraries. This will be a separate video than the Public Relations Committee video.

The "Support Kentucky's Libraries" license plates have been approved and are available. The cost is \$25 each. Proceeds go to the James Nelson Scholarship fund.

Awards-Carrie Herrmann (in absentia)

Nominations for awards are due January 15, 2011. There has been a new award added: The PR & Marketing Award.

Conference Planning-Martha White

The committee has met twice. The first meeting was at the Griffin Gate Marriott in Lexington, location of the conference. The conference will be Monday-Wednesday, April 11-13, 2011. Monday will be pre-conference sessions and the conference will conclude at noon on Wednesday. The theme is "Kentucky's Libraries-Making Connections". The Griffin Gate Marriott has donated a spa gift certificate to encourage people to attend the exhibits. There will be a cocktail hour Meet and Greet Tuesday night and a trivia contest. KDLA staff members may attend for free. Sandra Nelson will be the keynote speaker. A luncheon speaker has not been confirmed.

Continuing Education-Earlene Arnett

\$500 has been given to each region for support staff workshops. There will possibly be another KDLA statewide event in early Winter due to the success of last year's event. More funding is being allocated to the leadership Institute.

Intellectual Freedom-Mark Adler/Ron Critchfield (in absentia)

The next meeting will be September 23. Ron Critchfield agreed to serve as co-chair following Julie Maruskin's resignation. The committee's current goal is to provide care packages for any library who is having Intellectual Freedom issues. KPLA will budget for the care packages and travel expenses.

Membership- Regina Holland

KPLA currently has 688 members which is a decrease from 717 members at the 2010 Spring Conference.

Public Relations- Lisa Rice

The committee has provided new updates to the brochures.

The committee is creating a video to promote library services for the general public. They are currently checking with two companies: The Marketing Department at Lexington Public Library and Young Production Company in Bowling Green. They have tentatively scheduled a meeting for Tuesday, September 21 to discuss budgeting.

Gabrielle Gayheart is currently working on the KPLA website.

Standards- Lisa Rice

The Standards are due October 1. There will be major revisions to the standards during the next phase including benchmarks and scoresheets. Currently the biggest issue is software version differences.

KENTUCKY LIBRARY TRUSTEES ROUNDTABLE (KLTRT)- Paul Poland

The current Chair-elect is Steve Marcum from Warren County and the Vice Chair-elect is Jim Stoops from Monroe County. Mindy Woods from Carter County is the Secretary.

Some members of KLTRT, Directors, and KDLA staff have formed a committee for Trustee Certification which would include the basic levels of understanding a Trustee's responsibilities.

Paul will suggest at the next Trustee Roundtable meeting that since the Trustees are no longer a Section with no incoming funds, the monies remaining in their account after the 2010 KLA Conference to be added to KPLA's general fund. This will close the Trustees' account. KPLA will then pay for Trustee expenses incurred in the future.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JC welcomed the new slate of KPLA officers including: Chair Dave Schroeder, Vice Chair Martha White, Vice Chair-Elect Susan Nimersheim, and Secretary Rene Hutcheson.

The next KPLA business meeting will be Tuesday April 12, 2011 at the KPLA Spring Conference. The conference is scheduled for Monday-Wednesday, April 11-13, 2011 at the Griffin Gate Marriott in Lexington.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:50am on a motion by Kristi Tucker, seconded by Susan Nimersheim.

Respectfully submitted,

Regina Holland
KPLA Secretary