

Kansas Library Association Council Meeting Minutes – October 28, 2005 Salina, KS

Present: Rosanne Siemens, Executive Director; Kristen Becker, KLA Secretary; Jane Hatch, Education Foundation President and KLA Finance Chair; Connie Doeden, Continuing Education Committee Chair and KPLACE Chair; Michelle Swain, 1st Vice President; Anne Liebst, KLA Webmaster; Ronda Holt, RIAT Vice-chair; Eric Hansen, State Library; Andrew Mangels, Membership chair; Susan Taylor, PALS chair; Margaret Knecht, KSHS and KLA archivist; Jane Kelsey, KSHS and GODORT chair; Jennifer Dalten, Children's section chair; Jason Coleman, KLIRT chair; Marcia Stockham, CULS president; Hans Fischer, KLTA chair; Donna Lauffer, IFRT Chair, Kimberly Patton, YA Co-chair; Cindi Hickey, IF Task Force and KanEd Rep; Sue Blechl, FOKL co-chair, Pat Gaunce, Co-chair governance; Robert Banks, ALA councilor; Kim Beets, PLS chair; Carla Kaiser, 2nd VP; Bob Walter, Parliamentarian.

I. Call to Order and Introductions: 1st Vice President Michelle Swain called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. A quorum was declared present.

II. Member Comments: There were no member comments.

III. Remarks from Council Members: There were no council member comments.

IV. President's Report: Michelle reported that she and Tim will be looking at the Tri-conference proposals. This year's theme is Connecting Kansas, Building Communities. Legislative Day is February 16, 2006. The Governor will speak at lunch. The committee hopes to have a push card into the hands of librarians by December 1st so we can do work in our communities prior to Legislative Day.

V. Executive Director's Report: Rosanne reported that she has been working on the Educational Foundation Campaign with Duane Johnson who co-chairs the campaign. The Foundation Board has been meeting monthly with consultant Jim Dodson. Other activities have included meeting with the KLA Governmental Affairs Committee monthly and in preparation for the 2006 legislative session and KLA Legislative Day. Rosanne also provided a written report.

VI. Consent Agenda:

- Minutes from July 22, 2005 meeting
- Agenda approval
- Financial report
- Committee Reports
- Section Reports
- Roundtable Reports

A motion was made to accept the consent agenda without the financial report and the committee reports. (Pat Gaunce, Anne Liebst SMC)

VII. Bylaw changes recommendations: Carla Kaiser presented the report and recommendations of the KLA Bylaws Committee and draft of the proposed bylaws changes. The proposed changes were distributed to Council members. There was discussion about the changes and Council members were encouraged to submit suggestion to either Carla or Bob Walter (KLA Parliamentarian) by December 15. Carla will prepare a final draft for the January Council meeting at which time further discussion and action can take place. Council must approve the changes at that meeting so a vote by the membership can take place during the election period and prior to the annual meeting at Tri-Conference.

VIII. Measurement of Quality – Standards for Public Libraries: Hans reported that he has been working with several libraries in Kansas and some of the standards for public libraries are confusing. He suggested the standards need to be revised making them easier to understand. Discussion was held regarding a revised edition of the standards that State Librarian Christy Brandau has put on hold. It was decided that revising the public library standards will be a priority during 2006-2007 while Michelle Swain is the KLA president. Rosanne suggested that she talk to Christie about the need for revision of the current standards. Council instructed Rosanne to contact Christie about the issue.

IX. Contract Renewal Braren, Mulder, German Consultants: Jane hatch presented information about the contract with Braren, Mulder and German Consultants. The contract calls for a payment of \$2000 per day plus travel and telephone services. A motion was made to accept the renewal of the contract for Braren, Mulder and German Consultants. (Jane Hatch, Susan Taylor SMC) Jane also reported as of October 20, 2005 the Educational Foundation had \$53,871 pledged from individuals. \$9,000of that amount has been pledged from Thomas Gale. Thomas Gale has agreed to help the KLA Educational Foundation and libraries in Kansas with promotions and marketing.

X. Intellectual Freedom Task Force Report: Cindi Hickey reported ALA has some excellent information on Intellectual freedom, most of which KLA has previously adopted. The task force has focused on censorship and has two sections to complete on the web site. The Intellectual Freedom Task Force recommends the Intellectual Freedom Roundtable members become a standing committee (this recommendation is reflected in the suggested bylaws changes). Anne Liebst has prepared the webpages that include the work of the task force and this will be launched with Council's approval of the report and statement. A motion was made to approve the Intellectual Freedom report and statement presented by Cindi Hickey. (Hans Fischer, Jane Hatch SMC)
Cindi was publicly thanked for her work on the Intellectual Freedom Task Force. Kim Beets suggested placing a blog on the website where KLA members could review the information and post comments. Donna Lauffer will talk to the Intellectual Freedom Roundtable members about the suggestion of creating a standing committee and will present more information at the January meeting. It was suggested the ILFRT remain in place so members could join and play a major role in conjunction with the work of the committee. Donna will also talk to the committee members regarding the ALA Resolution on Threats to Library Materials.

XI. Proposed Guidelines for Implementing RFID Technologies in Libraries: Rob Banks presented a written report and asked the council to review the information and provide input to him. Comments should be directed to Bob.

XII. Program – Kansas Digital Library: Eric Hansen presented a program on the Kansas Digital Library. Hand outs were provided and the council was pleased with the amount of information and digital images available through the KDL.

XIII. Task forces/Think Tanks: Comments were made regarding the task forces and think tanks. One area discussed at length was the economic value of libraries.

XIV. KanEd User Council Report: Cindi Hickey reported on the KanEd User Council. The KanEd Governance Committee will be suggesting revisions in the document that governs KanEd and will seek the approval of the User Advisory Council at their November meeting. Suggestions were made to KanEd to use bullet points for minutes to allow readers a quick glimpse of what is happening. The next UAC meeting is in November and representatives from the telecommunication companies will be there so KanEd can solicit their support.

XV. Final Announcements: The next meeting will be January 27 at the Salina Public Library

XVI. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned.
Respectfully submitted, Kristen Becker, Recording Secretary