

The PLS planning board met in Chapel Hill at the Chapel Hill Public Library on February 25, 2005.

The minutes from the last meeting were approved. Follow up on the 2004 Conference was done with a discussion of attendance for pre-conferences as well as programs, program attendance and the luncheon. The treasurer's report was given along with reporting the annual check from Bill Roberts for the Roberts Award has been received. The group agreed there were many compliments on the programs presented by Public Library Section and ideas given for programming for the 2005 conference. The president gave a report from the Executive Board meeting.

The board discussed the information presented at the Executive meeting concerning membership in NCLA. The board felt there may be many reasons for the small amount of membership by public libraries. It was decided that Marie Spencer would contact Ross Holt and offer her assistance as membership chair for PLS.

The board discussed plans for the 2005 conference. There was much discussion regarding programs, and co-sponsorship of programs for the upcoming conference. The board suggested approximately ten possibilities for programs and co-sponsorships along with our annual PLS luncheon and the Bill Roberts Award. There was some discussion of possibly producing a brochure on the programs offered by PLS especially the marketing programs and mailing it to PLS members before the conference. It was decided that with grant funds scarce for this conference that we could handle the expenditures necessary for the funding for the 2005 conference.

Committees gave reports of activities and meetings. Committees gave their preliminary programming ideas for the 2005 conference keeping in mind the program submission date of March 10, 2005. Our report from the State Library was given by Ann Marie Elkins.

The planning board will meet again on April 29, 2005 at the Reynolda Branch of the Forsyth County Library.

Submitted
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