

Planning Council, Public Library Section, North Carolina Library Association  
Quarterly Report to NCLA Board  
10/20/06

The PLS Planning Council met at the Chapel Hill Public Library on September 29, 2006. Additional 2006 meetings will be: November 3 at the Graham Public Library.

Director Susan Herzog is the section's liaison to the NCLA Membership Committee. She reported on that committee's efforts and encouraged all PLS committees to use the NCLA membership display and to call on NCLA Membership Committee members to speak at events and workshops.

Chairman Lynn Thompson reported on the NCLA Board meeting, in particular, the need for funding for the Membership Survey. The Council voted to approve the expenditure of \$120 to sponsor the survey in the form of an ad for PLS. The Council discussed the possibility of offering a drawing for a free conference registration to PLS members who respond to the survey.

All committees are revising their charges to ensure that they accurately reflect the desires of the PLS membership.

The Council has some questions about the phrasing of Article VI, Section 9 of the NCLA Constitution and asked Lynn to review it with the Constitution Committee chairman.

Chair-Elect Mary McAfee is drafting amendments to the PLS by-laws to allow for voting by electronic modes of communication and to change the quorum requirements for Council meetings.

The Awards Committee announced the timeline for the 2007 William H. Roberts Public Library Distinguished Service Award. Information about the award and nomination procedure will be posted on May 1, 2007. Nominations will be due on August 31, 2007.

Mr. Roberts endowed this award in the amount of \$10,000 and has made his final contribution. Income from this endowment is to be used to make the award. The Council directed Lynn to consult with the NCLA Treasurer for a report on this fund.

The Council voted to change the name of the Reference Committee to the Adult Services Committee.

The Teen/Young Adult Committee has established a wikispace for virtual meetings and discussion. They are in contact with the Children's Services Section and the State Library for possible joint program planning.

Workshops for the 06/07 year:

**Branch Services:** *Superior Supervision* workshops were held across the state in March, May, June, and October of 2006.

**Audio Visual and Tech Services:** Registration forms are in the mail for *Take Me With You: Easily Portable eAudiobooks Workshop* to be held at the Chapel Hill Public Library on **Wednesday, November 15, 2006 from 10:00 - 3:00**. Topics include getting marc records into your OPAC, downloading eAudiobooks into your MP3 players and getting circulation statistics from NetLibrary. The afternoon section will feature a presentation from a renowned narrator for Recorded Books.

**Adult Services:** Plans are progressing for *Reference 2.0* to be co-sponsored with PLCMC and featuring a nationally know speaker (for Spring 2007).

**YA/Teen Services and Adult Services:** Plans for a workshop on *Gaming* are almost finalized (for Spring 2007).

Timothy Owens was a guest and gave an update from the State Library.

Submitted by,

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Chairman