



Alaska Library Association – Juneau Chapter Minutes, August 21st, 2002 UAS Egan Library

AkLA-J Meeting Minutes August 21, 2002
UAS Egan Library 5:15pm

Attendance: Freya Anderson, ASL; Cathy Boutin, DZ; Jennifer Brown, UAS; Daniel Cornwall, ASL; Karen Crane, ASL; Beatrice Franklin, UAS; Paula Johnson, Auke Bay Labs; Barbara Kreher, Harborview; Carol Race, JPL; Lynn Shepherd, UAS.

The meeting was called to order at 5:15pm by Chair Freya Anderson. No additions were made to the agenda. The minutes for the July meeting were lost in the transition between AkLA-J Secretaries. Freya announced that Rebecca Moorman had resigned as secretary in July owing to a move and that Daniel Cornwall had been appointed to fill Rebecca's unexpired term. Freya herself is filling out Tish Orr's unexpired term while Tish lives out a dream as a Fulbright scholar in the United Kingdom.

A written treasurer's report was provided by Rose Welton. It showed that the chapter currently has \$558.74 in its checking account.

The next item on the agenda was reports from the conference chairs.

Entertainment – Jennifer Brown requested \$1,000 from the conference budget based on prior conference's expenses for entertainers. It will be at least \$200 for a tour bus for conference attendees. We are getting some donations, including free passes from Perserence theater. Jennifer was advised to contact the Juneau Arts and Humanities Council for entertainer ideas.

Registration – Barbara Kreher reported that she had completed reviewing the registration binder from last conference and asked if she could get a copy of the registration database used so her committee did not have to "reinvent the wheel." Several people present thought this would be a good idea and Freya said she thought it could be done. Barbara was directed to contact Elise Tomlinson regarding online registration issues, as she is doing the conference web site.

Paraprofessional outreach – Beatrice Franklin reported that two outside speakers have been lined up specifically to address paraprofessional issues. In addition, Jennifer Brown of UAS will give a session on copyright and privacy issues for frontline library staff. Beatrice hoped she could drop the term "conference within a conference" as that sounded divisive. All present supported that idea. Please e-mail any name suggestions you have to Beatrice at beatrice.franklin@uas.alaska.edu. Beatrice will be consulting with Deb Mole about a more appropriate name.

Authors 2 Alaska – Carol Race reported that two authors had been lined up for conference and that she will need approximately \$3200 for them. Some discussion about reception formats ensued and Carol was directed to approach other groups, such as Friends of the Library to host some local author receptions.

Equipment – Daniel Cornwall reported that he had finished reviewing the binder from last conference. He was unsure of how much to ask for because he did not know whether we would have to purchase phone lines for Centennial Hall. He also made note that one of our major computer/internet donors the last time around was out of business. Daniel made an appeal for computers and projectors for the conference. If you can help, please e-mail him at dan_cornwall@eed.state.ak.us. Daniel was directed to approach Goldbelt, our conference hotel for setting up one or two “internet café” computers.

Printing/Publicity – Barbara Berg sent a report by e-mail, which Freya distributed to those present at the meeting. If you would like a copy, please contact Freya. Barbara is looking for answers to a number of questions. Based on an analysis of budgets since 1999, Barbara proposed a \$2250 printing budget and a \$275 publicity budget.

Accommodations – Carol McCabe also sent a report by e-mail which confirmed we have reserved 105 rooms at the Goldbelt Hotel.

The conference reports were followed by a discussion of proposed legislative priorities and priorities for AkLA as an organization. If you have any ideas, please send them to Freya at freya_anderson@eed.state.ak.us. We need to have to have sets finalized by September 10, 2002 meeting so Freya can properly represent us at AkLA face-to-face.

The discussion turned next to new business/announcements:

- A Webcast on “Incorporating Cultural and Racial Diversity Programs in Libraries” is sponsored by the Illinois State Library from 7-9am (Alaska Time), Wednesday, September 18, 2002. To participate, send an e-mail to jheffernan@ilsos.net indicating your interest in receiving the webcast URL. Include your name, institution, full mailing address, and e-mail address. Real Player 8 must be installed on your PC to view the webcast. For additional information on program content, please contact Vandella Brown at vbrown@ilsos.net or 217-785-9075.
- @ your library bumper stickers. We have extras! See Freya if you would like more!
- Auke Bay Labs is continuing their work with their SIRSI conversion with help from other NOAA libraries.
- UAS is seeking temporary weekend/evening librarians and will shortly be looking to hire Rebecca Moorman’s position. Please see <http://www2.jun.alaska.edu/jobs/> for details.
- UAS is starting their “Evening at Egan” lecture series next month. They are looking for librarians to volunteer for one-on-one training sessions in “Databases for Alaskans.” Please contact Lynn Shepherd if interested.

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, September 10, 2002

Noon

Alaska State Library, 7th Floor Conference Room