Oregon Library Association Board Meeting April 1, 2009

Board Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Salem Conference Center, 200 Commercial St. SE

Connie Anderson-Cohoon, Bill Baars, Robin Beerbower, Dana Campbell, Diedre Conkling, Ann Marie Dietering, Mary Ginnane, Robert Hulshof-Schmidt, Curtis Kiefer, Steph Miller, Shirley Roberts, Suzanne Sager, Jim Scheppke, Gary Sharp, Stephen C. Skidmore, BJ Toewe, Janet Webster, Kim Willson-St.Clair.

- 1. Agenda review
- 2. Approval of minutes from the January meeting. Jim moved, Dana second. Unanimous approval.
- 3. Vision 2020 Status and Names Brainstorm for Delphi Study
  The group will respond to questions, move toward consensus, design a
  questionnaire and invite survey participants (perhaps as many as 100 people). The
  OLA Board is invited to submit some names for participants in the Vision 2020
  process. There will be a Vision 2010 report at OLA. The deadline is April 10 for
  participant suggestions and the group is looking for diverse representation. The
  remainder of funding for the project will be requested on April 20.

## 4. Conference 2010 Update

We still don't have preconference pricing from PLA. The deadline is late May or June for our pre-conference submissions. (We are looking for high profile names). PLA will provide a preconference letter of agreement. They are not open to a lot of negotiating in these financial times. Mary has the program of the previous PLA Conference in Portland.

OLA Conference 2011 will be in Salem. Bend remains likely for 2012. Robert reports that things are proceeding "so far so good" for this conference. The preconference numbers were poor; attendance was minimal. The general conference attendance looks good. The location is a plus. Robert reports that he is always looking for stellar conference committee nominees.

## 5. LSTA Grant

Gary discussed scholarships to students (6-8). Gary prepared a \$20,000 grant; preferably to University of Washington or Emporia students, with final year students as the highest priority for the 2010-11 academic year. He is anticipating a possible transition of this later to Oregon Library Association funding. 75\$-100\$ per month has been contributed through memberclicks. The current total is \$9800 as per Shirley. Gary will look at tracking graduates.

A motion was made to have OLA submit a 3<sup>rd</sup> year LSTA grant for the program. Connie moved, Shirley seconded, Jim abstained. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Web Member Manager Recruitment Update and Proposal John McCulley notified Mary that Professional Administrative Services, our association management company needs to let OLA go as a client after the new fiscal year. They have set a deadline of September/October. We have yet to advertise the web member manager. Steph will continue in this

We have yet to advertise the web member manager. Steph will continue in this role until we find someone. Steph suggests a 20-30 hour executive assistant in this role. Jim suggested we contact Nan Heim and Assoc. The search committee will consist of Connie, Mary, Steph and Bill.

Steph wants to amend her proposal/payment, and proposed two options.

Option 1: The OLA copy of Adobe Creative Suite 3 Web Premium.

Option 2: Change terms from 20 hours per week (\$600/month) to 8 hours per week (\$240/month). She would like to be paid for working 8 hours per week instead of 20 hours per week if she cannot get paid by keeping the Adobe software.

Bill proposed option 1. This will be in lieu of payment until July 1. Dana and Suzanne seconded. Unanimous approval.

- 7. Discussion: OLA Cost-savings Measures
  Is a paperless OLA Quarterly in our future? Mary will pursue this as an experiment for her upcoming issue.
- 8. Discussion: Other Agency Cost Savings Measures (Oregon Department of Revenue; Oregon Historical Society)

  The Oregon Department of Revenue's distribution of tax forms has proven to be a hardship for some libraries. The ODR is open to hearing from public libraries.

  The Oregon Historical Society Library had closed, but has reopened with reduced staff, hours and service. The OHS may have to choose between being a research center and a museum. Possible partnerships might work with Oregon universities, and these are being explored.
- 9. Awards Approvals and Other Conference Logistics
  The OLA Board approved an honorary life membership. The Board will
  reconsider dates for nomination and the procedure for awards nominees. The
  Parliamentarian will recommend changes at a future meeting. The Board feels it
  does not need to be involved in approving awards nominated by divisions.
- 10. Correspondence to OLA: ALA Emerging Leaders Request; Google Settlement; Oregon Cultural Trust Grant

Suzanne reported that support for the ALA Emerging Leaders Program was discussed at mid-winter. Suzanne recommends not adding another expense at this time.

Google Settlement – We can be part of this thanks to Oregon Authors. We need to file a claim by 1/5/10.

Oregon Cultural Trust Grant – Kim may apply for this.

11. Kim will have an Oregon Authors Bibliography recommendation for the June meeting. There will not be a bibliography for sale here at OLA; current efforts are devoted to the website.

## 12. Reports

Dana – The PNLA board meeting was held in February. At this point the organization is looking at its future. They will either steer a new course, or...

Suzanne has copies of the book America Speaks, which are donations.

Janet reported that HB 2586, known as "the school libraries bill," is under review by the Education Committee. Janet gave special kudos to Mary & Jim for their testimony.

Legislation has snuck in that may affect funding for the County Law Libraries; Janet will keep us informed.

Adjournment 5:45 pm.