

Public Library Section
Kansas Library Association

2007 PLS Fall Retreat Wrap-Up Meeting
October 17, 2007
Watermark Books, Wichita

Attendees: Denise Smith, Marie Pyko, Rosanne Siemens, Cathy Newland, Sharon Moreland, Ruth Rodden, and Kim Beets.

Sharon distributed the minutes of the August 22 Planning meeting via e-mail.

The group discussed the PLS Fall Retreat Evaluations and made the following decisions:

- PLS will not have a pre-conference at the 2008 KLA Conference
- The Fall Retreat will continue to be a single-topic, two-day continuing education opportunity. The format with Mary was well-received.
- The Fall Retreat will stay at the Spiritual Life Center

Rosanne reported that PLS had the following balances:

\$4,483 Beginning Balance
\$5,545 Income
\$2,354 Expenses

The bill from the Spiritual Life Center had not arrived at the time of the meeting.

The Conference balances were:

\$5,260 Income
\$1,478 Expense

The group decided to wait to recruit new members to the 2009 Conference Planning Committee. Some names were suggested.

2009 Fall Retreat

- Sharon will contact the Spiritual Life Center to see if Thursday, October 8 and Friday, October 9 are available for the Retreat.
- The 2009 Retreat will be promoted at the 2008 KLA Conference
- Many evaluation forms suggested Human Resources/staff management as a possible topic for 2009.

2008 KLA Conference

- The new Conference, "Be the Change" will be modeled after PLA, with tracts and more all-conference speakers and events

- Exhibits will open Wednesday evening with the Bash and then be open all day Thursday. There will not be exhibits on Friday
- Conference program submissions are due November 1
- We discussed sponsoring programs on:
 - Myers-Briggs/colors/personality types
 - Learning styles
 - Dealing with difficult people
 - Employment law (Managing the absurd)
 - Kim has a possible speaker she will contact.
 - Sharon will contact Toni Boyles, a speaker used at K-Place, about presenting at the Conference
 - Other ideas presented were NextGen librarians and young workers
- We would like to promote PLS by purchasing an Ad in the Conference program, through e-mail and by sponsoring tracts at the Conference

PLS Breakfast

- PLS will host a breakfast on Friday at the 2008 KLA Conference
- The meeting will be 1.5 hours, with a business meeting
- Breakfast will start at 8:30 a.m.

The Election of Officers discussion included:

Ballots will be sent by e-mail

Nominations as follows:

- Chair – Sharon Moreland
- Vice-Chair – Ruth Rodden
- Secretary – Denise will ask Ken Werne to run as Secretary, with the understanding that he will then be nominated as Vice-Chair and then Chair. The Minutes to the PLS meetings need to be sent to Margaret Knecht at the State Historical Society for the archives.

Current Officers are:

- Chair until June 30, 2007 – Denise Smith
- Vice-Chair until June 30, 2007 – Sharon Moreland
- Secretary – Ruth Rodden
- Past-Chair – Marie Pyko

The PLS Web site

- Sharon will post a synopsis of the wrap-up meeting and include quotes from the Evaluation forms
- A notice of the post will be sent to Kanlib-I, after Sharon receives confirmation of the Oct. 8, 2009 Retreat dates.
- We need a copy of the PLS logo

Kim presented the group with a request from KLTA for PLS to underwrite part of the cost of a part-time clerical position to be used by KLTA and PLS. The group decided to respectfully decline the offer, as we are a volunteer organization, with the support of our various libraries. We felt that our members want us to use PLS funds for continuing education. Denise will draft a formal written response to KLTA