ILA PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

I look forward with great enthusiasm to working with the ILA membership as your President. On November 3, 2000, over seventy ILA committee members came to the Central College campus in Pella for ILA’s Annual Planning Meeting. Picking up on ALA’s “@ your library” theme, our focus for the Davenport 2001 conference will be “21st Century Information Literacy and Learning @ Iowa Libraries.” The creative energy exuded that day helped us dream up a wide range of exciting professional development opportunities to be scheduled throughout the year. Committees, Forums and Roundtables described updated web links, flashy newsletters, and exciting conference speakers, concurrent sessions and preconferences.

Last year as a candidate for ILA President, I spoke about the increasing need for multi-type library cooperation and collaboration across traditional boundaries in our state. I pledged myself to build on the successes of ILA and to provide leadership which might help us focus our collective vision, expertise, and even our buying power to position Iowa libraries at the forefront of information services. As we look at the issues facing ILA in coming year, I renew my promise to do all I can to help coordinate the potential changes ahead for our members in their roles at their respective libraries and information organizations. The final recommendations from the Task Force on Library Services to the State Library Commission will be extremely important to us. Our Association has before it an extraordinary opportunity to help lead the way toward improved delivery of the library services “that all Iowans depend on for information and life-long learning.” Telling our stories, advocating for funding, and helping our members and their libraries succeed will fill my days in the coming months.

At the close of our conference in October, I had the privilege of accepting the ILA gavel from our distinguished President Carol French Johnson. I called for “Unity, Harmony and then...Party in Davenport 2001.” With your help, I believe I can succeed in my pledges to you. Please do contact me at anytime with your concerns, ideas and issues that should come before our Association. I look forward to hearing from you!

Robin Martin

Ted Anderson, ILA Lobbyist

Ted Anderson, ILA Lobbyist for almost 13 years, passed away of pancreatic cancer November 22, 2000 in Des Moines.

Born in Waterloo, he had served as a State Senator from 1980 to 1984. Ted then worked as a lobbyist for 16 years representing various interests. He is survived by his wife, six sons, a daughter, his parents, a brother, a sister and eight grandchildren.

Ted worked closely with the Chairs of the ILA Governmental Affairs Committee during the years he served as our lobbyist. Obtaining direct state funding for libraries was a major goal reached during his tenure. Ted always had the latest information at our legislative updates and was always willing to participate in the ILA Annual Conference when asked to do so.

Dawn Work, Public Library of Des Moines and former GAC Chair, stated, “Ted’s dedication to libraries and librarians will be deeply missed. He explained difficult concepts in an easy way and helped us create a vibrant, grassroots lobby. He taught us that library supporters truly have a voice in the legislative process.”

Memorial contributions may be given to: Animal Rescue League of Iowa; Prevent Child Abuse, Iowa; Iowa Library Association, and the Ted Anderson Memorial Fund c/o Hamilton’s Funeral Home. Contributions to ILA will be deposited to ILAF and then given to ILA in the form of a grant to be used at the discretion of the Executive Board.
Libraries are popular. Libraries are everywhere. Libraries are unique. The American Library Association has made a five-year commitment to speak loudly and clearly about the value of libraries and librarians to their communities, schools, academic institutions and businesses.

The “@ your library” Campaign for America’s Libraries is ALA’s response to requests for help in telling the library story; in particular, explaining what libraries do today and what they will be able to do tomorrow. Local libraries of all types will be encouraged to use core messages based on public opinion research as well as extensive consultation within the ALA community.

- Libraries are unique. They are one-stop shops. In person. Online. Where else can you have access to nearly anything on the Web or in print as well as personal service and assistance in finding it?
- Libraries are changing and dynamic places. Librarians are technologically savvy, on the forefront of the information age. In a world that is information-rich, they are information smart, and help ensure a society where everyone is information literate.
- Libraries are part of the American dream. They are a place for education and for self-help. They are centers for civic discourse. They offer opportunity to all.

When the “@ your library” campaign kicks-off in 2001, the Iowa Library Association Public Relations Committee will send news releases to all newspapers and radio stations in Iowa promoting this new initiative. In the meantime, check out ALA’s website, complete with graphics, at ala.org/yourlibrary and begin planning local strategies for promoting your library.
GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE NEWS

Our Lobbyist

In November, the Iowa library community lost one of its best friends and strongest advocates. Ted Anderson, who was lobbyist for the Iowa Library Association for almost 13 years, passed away the day before Thanksgiving.

I had the pleasure of working with Ted as chair of the Governmental Affairs Committee for three years. He was instrumental in helping us achieve first-ever direct state funding for public libraries and in keeping library issues on our legislators’ political radar at all times. I will miss him tremendously both as a friend and colleague.

In mid-December, the ILA Executive Board selected the State Public Policy Group (SPPG) to represent the Association as its legislative advocate for the upcoming session. SPPG worked with ILA two years ago to craft the work plan focused on getting Enrich Iowa public library funding legislation successfully passed. I am looking forward to working with their lobbyists in 2001.

News from Washington, D.C. - Internet Filtering Passes

The week of December 18th in a 292 to 60 vote, the House of Representatives passed the Labor HHS Education Appropriations Bill (HR 4577) with the McCain-Santorum-Istook-Pickering Internet filtering rider attached. The Senate also passed the bill with a voice vote (no voting numbers available).

The filtering rider mandates that libraries and schools use resources to install and maintain Internet filters, or be stripped of key federal funding, including e-rate discounts and Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) funding. For more information on this visit these websites: the American Library Association (http://www.ala.org/washoff/) and the Center for Democracy and Technology (http://www.cdt.org/). If you wish to read the filtering amendment in its entirety, the CDT page includes a link to entitled “Children’s Internet Protection Act.”

Iowa Legislative News

The 2001 session of the Iowa General Assembly begins January 8 and will run through April 27. You may contact your legislators, find out what’s happening each day and actually listen to floor debates via its website (http://www.legis.state.ia.us/).

Please mark your calendars for the statewide and regional legislative days throughout the session.

1. Legislative Day: Wednesday, January 24

Librarians, trustees and library users from across the state are invited to participate in this event. Plan to meet at the newly renovated State Library of Iowa (E. 12th and Grand Ave.) at 2:30 p.m. for a legislative briefing and discussion with your GAC chair, State Librarian Sharman Smith and ILA lobbyists from the State Public Policy Group. Following that we will walk over to the Capitol together for a reception with the legislators scheduled from 4 – 5:30 p.m. The reception will be held in the Law Library.

2. Regional Legislative Days

Each of the seven regions has its own day to meet and lobby the legislators from those areas of the state. As we did with the statewide legislative day, we’ll meet at the State Library of Iowa (E. 12th and Grand) this time at 1:30 p.m. We will have a legislative briefing and an update on what is currently happening in the legislature. Following that session, we’ll walk over to the State Capitol to meet with individual legislators from 3 – 4 p.m. Dates for individual regional days listed below:

February 6: North Central
February 13: Central
February 20: Southeast
February 27: East Central
March 6: Northeast
March 13: Northwest
March 20: Southwest

March 27 and April 3 are reserved as back-up dates for bad weather.

Cancellations: Occasionally, we have to cancel a legislative day because of severe weather. I have set up a special number that you may call to find out if we are canceling and rescheduling one of the legislative days. It is 515-239-5637. This line is available 24 X 7 and I will leave a recorded message on it indicating if a day has been cancelled. I will also post any cancellations to the Iowalib discussion list. However, not everyone has Internet access at home and this way, you may call from home early in the morning.

I encourage all of you to consider visiting the Capitol for one of these sessions. If you are unable to come for both the statewide day as well as your regional day, you might want to give priority to your regional day since that day is focused exclusively on your legislators.

Keeping Informed and Spreading the Word

In January, please look for copies of the ILA legislative agenda brochures. As we did last year, we will be mailing multiple copies of these to libraries throughout Iowa. We will also be preparing talking points and information packets to help you communicate effectively with legislators. In the meantime, please visit the ILA website (http://www.iren.net/ila/web/) for legislative information. I will also post up-to-the-minute legislative updates on the Iowalib discussion list. If you are not subscribed, I encourage you to do so. Visit

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Do you have coworkers who are not members of ILA? If so, please copy this article and share it with them personally or post on the bulletin board. Let them see that it would be to their advantage to join ILA.

**JOIN ILA NOW GET A GREAT BARGAIN**

What a deal! An offer you can’t refuse!

If you have never been a member of ILA, this is the year to join. Beginning January 1, 2001, all new members will find a $20 discount coupon to clip and save as part of their application form. This coupon entitles new members to use the discount for any ILA-sponsored event or conference held during the first 2 years of their membership. The 2-year expiration date allows those who can’t attend in the first year (because of distance, illness, budget, etc.) to have another opportunity to take advantage of the discount. The Membership Committee is also exploring additional benefits for all members of ILA. Watch the Catalyst for more information on those benefits in an upcoming issue. Why not join this year and enjoy the benefits already in place? Why not take advantage of $20.00 off the next conference and find out what you’ve been missing? Why not become a member of Iowa’s best team—the Iowa Library Association!!!

The membership form is on the ILA web site www.iren.net/~ila or contact the ILA office for a form at 800-452-5507.

**IEMA CONFERENCE**

ILA members are invited to the Iowa Educational Media Association (IEMA) Conference March 29 and 30 in Des Moines at the Hotel Savery. Conference details and a registration form are at the IEMA Web site at http://www.iema-ia.org.

ILA members can attend at the IEMA member fee rate. Please indicate on the registration form that you are an ILA member.

The Friday sessions will feature four prominent authors: Jane Kurtz, Carol Gorman, Maryann Weidt, and Jacqueline Briggs Martin. The authors will present several sessions on children’s literature. You are also welcome to attend the Author’s Conference Friday afternoon/evening. Books will be on sale at the conference.

If you would like to present a session, please check the web site for the Call for Sessions form.

Take a few minutes to look at the details on the web site. We think you’ll find some excellent sessions for your professional growth!

Susan Schrader
IEMA Conference Chair
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**LIBRARY SERVICES TASK FORCE UPDATE**

The Library Services Task Force completed its work in December and submitted its report to the Iowa Commission of Libraries. The Task Force was charged to “make recommendations to the Iowa Commission of Libraries on positioning libraries to effectively and efficiently meet the future needs of Iowans.” The 46 Iowans from across the state who made up the task force were legislators, trustees, board members and library professionals from all types of libraries.

The Task Force met six times between August and December. It designed a library services system organized into seven components: governance, resources, services, information, infrastructure, staffing, and marketing. The Task Force developed recommendations for each component.

The Task Force report can be found at the State Library of Iowa’s web site: www.silo.lib.ia.us. Members of the Iowa Commission of Libraries received the report in mid-December, and were scheduled to discuss the report on January 4 and 5.
the State Library of Iowa website (http://server.silo.lib.ia.us/maillist_ser.html) for instructions.

The first step in ensuring that library services to Iowa citizens are a priority for our legislators is to make sure we in the Iowa library community are knowledgeable and articulate about the issues that affect our libraries. Here are a few ideas to help you involve library staff, customers, trustees and other folks who care about libraries:

· Make copies of the 2001 Legislative Agenda available to staff and provide opportunities during meetings for staff to discuss current library legislation.

· If you have a library board, ask your board president to include a legislative update on the agenda of each board meeting.

· Ask your Friends and Foundation boards to include a legislative update on their meeting agendas.

· If you have the opportunity to speak to service clubs or other groups in your community, let them know what issues are affecting your library at the local, state and federal levels.

· Include legislative updates in your newsletter or program guide.

Please contact me at any time if you have questions, comments or suggestions about library legislative issues. Thanks!

Gina Millsap

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Chair, Governmental Affairs Committee, Iowa Library Association
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Iowa Library Association • Forums and Roundtables

Children and Young People’s Forum

**Purpose**
- To encourage active involvement of all librarians serving the needs of young people
- To upgrade library service in reader and user guidance, reference, programming, public relations, collection development, and departmental management for all users of young people’s library resources

**Activities**
- Provide workshops at the ILA Fall Conference
- Publish a quarterly newsletter that shares ideas, provides clip art, and informs readers of workshops of interest to members

**Who would benefit from membership?**
- Those who work with children and young adults

**Need more information? Contact:**
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**Activities**
- To serve as a clearinghouse for computer information exchange
- To educate librarians and patrons in the use of computers
- To investigate computer resource sharing
- To promote the use of computers in all libraries

**Who would benefit from membership?**
- Anyone who is interested in or uses computer technology in a library setting

**Need more information? Contact:**
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Waverly Public Library
wv10144@cedarnet.org

**Activities**
- To provide an unparalleled opportunity for library managers, supervisors, and others interested in management issues to develop ways to enhance service, fine tune library advocacy skills, and learn new techniques for staff development
- To represent the common interests of libraries and library staff in higher education and independent research facilities
- To enhance library service, user education, and staff development in college and research libraries

**Who would benefit from membership?**
- ILA members who are or have been an Iowa library trustee
- Those who work with children and young adults

**Need more information? Contact:**
Joy Tofteland  
Kirkendall Public Library, Ankeny
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**Activities**
- To produce newsletter, *The Beep*, for members
- To sponsor programs and speakers at the ILA Fall Conference
- To monitor legislation affecting Iowa health sciences libraries

**Who would benefit from membership?**
- Health sciences libraries and librarians and those interested in health sciences library issues

**Need more information? Contact:**
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**Iowa Chapter of the Association of College and Research Libraries**

**Purpose**
- To publish a newsletter
- To sponsor programs at ILA Fall Conference
- To promote the use of computers in all libraries

**Who would benefit from membership?**
- Anyone with an interest in college and research libraries
- Staff of college and research libraries

**Need more information? Contact:**
Jane Campagna  
Scott Community College, Bettendorf
jcampagna@eiccd.cc.ia.us

**Activities**
- To keep trustees informed of issues so they may be effective policy makers
- To provide trustees the opportunity of working together on issues
- To promote the development and improvement of library service throughout Iowa

**Who would benefit from membership?**
- ILA members who are or have been an Iowa library trustee board member

**Need more information? Contact:**
Marilyn Tilley  
Waverly Public Library
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**Activities**
- To provide an unparalleled opportunity for library managers, supervisors, and others interested in management issues to develop ways to enhance service, fine tune library advocacy skills, and learn new techniques for staff development
- To sponsor programs and speakers at ILA Fall Conference
- To produce electronic newsletter for members

**Need more information? Contact:**
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**Activities**
- To provide a forum for exchange of ideas
- To develop and strengthen relationships with cooperative and network activities within Iowa and the nation
- To be an effective part of the National Network of Libraries of Medicine Greater Midwest Region (NN/LM GMR)
Local History Roundtable

**Purpose**
- To encourage the collection and preservation of items of local interest
- To facilitate the sharing of information and expertise in the area of local history

**Activities**
- Produce newsletter for members
- Hold workshops on preservation techniques
- Co-sponsor activities with the historical library and archives
- Promote disaster preparedness for local history collections
- Working on a directory of local history information

**Who would benefit from membership?**
- Any ILA member interested in local history collections
- Reference librarians, historical society archivists, and genealogists

**Need more information? Contact:**
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Department of Transportation, Ames
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Public Library Forum

**Purpose**
- To facilitate cooperation and communication within the public library community of Iowa
- To upgrade services to the users of Iowa’s public libraries
- To represent and promote the common interests of public libraries and librarianship

**Activities**
- Sponsor programs and speakers at ILA Fall Conference
- Establish policies for Iowa’s public libraries
- Work with Governmental Affairs Committee

**Who would benefit from membership?**
- Librarians and support staff in public libraries

**Need more information? Contact:**
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North Liberty Community Library
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Resources and Technical Services Forum

**Purpose**
- To discuss, evaluate, and act upon methods and means for providing improved access to, and interpretation of, library materials of all types

**Activities**
- Publish Forum newsletter and membership directory
- Sponsor workshops and informational meetings at ILA Fall Conference

**Who would benefit from membership?**
- Anyone involved in collection development and/or technical services (acquisitions, cataloging, serials)

**Need more information? Contact:**
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Central College, Pella
cranstonc@central.edu

Special Libraries Roundtable

**Purpose**
- To foster networking and cooperation among those interested in special libraries

**Activities**
- Offer an annual summer workshop dealing with issues relevant to special libraries
- Hold an annual breakfast meeting during the ILA Fall Conference which is also the Special Library Roundtable’s yearly business meeting
- Sponsor a speaker at the annual ILA Fall Conference
- Send a quarterly informational mailing

**Who would benefit from membership?**
- Staff of any type of special library or information center

**Need more information? Contact:**
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Storytellers Roundtable

**Purpose**
- To promote the art of storytelling for the enjoyment and education of people of all ages
- To share ideas and network with others interested in storytelling
- To provide continuing education opportunities

**Activities**
- Provide some form of entertainment at annual ILA Fall Conference
- Publish two or three newsletters per year
- Offer continuing education credit workshops at annual ILA Fall Conference
- Inform members of national requests for storytelling
- To make storytelling resources available for purchase

**Who would benefit from membership?**
- All children’s and young adult librarians
- School media specialists
- Those involved in adult programming or special services to outreach populations

**Need more information? Contact:**
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North Liberty Public Library
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Support Personnel Forum

**Purpose**
- To provide a forum for information sharing
- To promote cooperation and professionalism among members

**Activities**
- Co-sponsor speakers and programs at the ILA Fall Conference
- Produce a Support Personnel Membership Directory
- Sponsor a Support Personnel Conference featuring speakers, workshops, and networking relevant to the members
- The Forum’s Executive Committee represents support personnel in ILA planning

**Who would benefit from membership?**
- Support personnel interested in improving communication and networking across Iowa
- Support personnel desiring to develop recognition, professional identity, and better serve their libraries
- Librarians wanting to foster a positive working relationship among staff members

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YOUNG ADULT SERVICES IN THE FUTURE

Due to the focus of this year’s conference, articles dealing with 21st century library issues will be published in the Catalyst as space allows.

By Mary Ann Nichols and C. Allen Nichols

What reference services will public libraries provide to teens in 2010? In order for public libraries to effectively serve teenagers ten years from now, a number of things must change.

First, public libraries must begin to recognize teens as a viable part of their customer base. Less than 15% of public libraries in this country have a staff member dedicated to serving teenagers. Public library services to teens cannot grow and cannot provide the services necessary now, or in the future, without a teen services librarian on staff. We believe that staff titles must change to more clearly identify staff members serving teens. Young adult librarians will become teen librarians. The Wadsworth Public Library has made that change, and we believe it makes a difference in the perceptions of teens and parents.

The population of teenagers in the next decade is expected to reach a size unseen since the baby-boom generation. With the expansion of technology, not to mention its greater availability to teens, public libraries must reach out further and longer than ever before to this population.

Libraries will need to stay up to date with the technology of the day. Teens are enamored with the glitz, speed, and ease of the Internet, cellular phones, digital cameras, and pagers. A growing number of teens have computers in their homes and cell phones in their backpacks, but many others don’t have these devices. To be considered a viable resource for teens, public libraries must not merely make technology available but also lower the barriers preventing teens from using it. We believe libraries must increase the number and types of equipment they loan—especially to teens. Many libraries loan laptops now; but this is only the beginning.

The teens of the next decade will expect immediate access to everything—games, e-mail, music, and information. Online publishers of reference databases will begin focusing on the home consumer. Many parents will purchase access to the databases for the home computer. Libraries will need to meet this challenge head-on and market the availability and inexpensive nature (read: free) of their library-owned information services on a 24/7 basis. Access for teens is the point here. Teen librarians will need to provide greater outreach to schools and parents (directly and through organizations similar to the PTA/PTOs) to help stem the tide of teens using nonlibrary information resources. The competition that libraries face from bookstores will pale in comparison to the competition from online information providers.

In addition, librarians must prepare to deal with resources that are produced in nonlinear formats. Teens who grew up with the Internet will have become accustomed to the nonlinear presentation of information. They will not be accustomed to the “old” encyclopedic appearance of some reference sources. Librarians must adapt and become familiar with accessing and utilizing nonlinear presentations in books and electronic formats.

Another aspect of immediate access is what to do when teenagers in the classroom (or at home) discover they need a real book for their assignments and it is at the public library? Libraries need to develop mechanisms to have those items delivered to the teens (and to all patrons for that matter). The Wadsworth Public Library has already started to do this.

Because the school system hosts a distance learning lab connected to the University of Akron, Wadsworth High School students have access to the materials owned by the university library. As a result, the public library saw a drop-off in the number of high school students using its resources. Library staff discussed this with the school system and has begun allowing students to reserve materials to be picked up at the high school. This service has slowly grown and is developing into a model the library is hoping to emulate in other areas. More important, the service provides a great deal of local recognition and is serving the teenager.

We see libraries purchasing more e-books for teenagers’ use than for other groups’ use. We envision teens visiting the library to download e-books for class assignments. Libraries need to embrace e-book technology and begin to plan ways for teens to have access to them. Libraries must also ensure that the materials they purchase will meet the needs of teens. It will be more important in the future for libraries to succeed in meeting the needs of all patrons (including, and especially, those of teens) because of the increased competition libraries will face in the future.

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The Nichols are co-editors of Young Adults and Public Libraries, published by Greenwood Press, and are series editors for the Greenwood Professional Guides in Young Adult Librarianship. Mary Anne is currently writing a book in the series, Merchandising Teen Library Collections. Allen is the Director of the Wadsworth Public Library and a past-president of the Ohio Library Association.
Join this list of donors by sending a tax deductible donation to the Iowa Library Association Foundation. Be sure to state that the donation is for the Endowed Speaker Fund.
Executive Board Minutes
December 15, 2000
Recorded by Laurie Hews

The ILA Executive Board met at Urbandale Public Library at 10:00 a.m. Present: President Carol French Johnson, Past President Mary Wegner, Administrative Coordinator Laurie Hews, Directors Sheryl Bissen, John Lerdal, Emily Navarre, Kathy Parsons and Barb Rardin, Directors-elect Jim Godsey and Jerri Heid, State Librarian Sharman Smith and Dale Vande Haar representing IEMA. Robin Martin, Ann Watts and Dottie Persson were absent.

AGENDA AND MINUTES
The agenda was amended to include office space under Hews’ report; corporate membership under Emily Navarre’s report and board liaisons under new business. Minutes of the October 17 board meeting were approved as previously published. Minutes of the Annual Business Meeting of October 19 were approved as previously published.

ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR’S REPORT
The financial report for November and the first half of December was distributed. The membership count as of November 30 was distributed. Hews reported that she had investigated moving the office to a building in West Des Moines. She doesn’t recommend doing so at this time due to cost considerations. Wegner moved for Hews to sign a one-year contract at the current location and to continue looking for future office space. Motion passed.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT
MEMORIAL CONTRIBUTIONS: After discussion, it was recommended that all memorial contributions in Ted Anderson’s name be given to ILAF who will then give the funds back to ILA in the form of a grant to use as the Board decides.

LOYBIST: Options for lobbying for the 2001 session were discussed. Navarre moved to contract with SPPG for the 2001 year. Motion passed. French Johnson will contact SPPG and ask them to attend the next Board meeting. She will also contact Lowell Junkins and advise him of this decision.

CORRESPONDENCE: Lerdal moved to support the Lewis and Clark Trail State letter and forward it to the State Library. Motion passed. Governor Vilsack sent a letter stating he would like to do some leadership cultivation. The tabled motion re Positively Iowa Letter was brought from the table. A friendly amendment was added to include in the letter a comment to ‘keep us informed’. Motion passed.

INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM COMMITTEE: Lerdal reported that at the Federal level there are bills that include a mandate of filtering for libraries but they haven’t been signed.

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE: Lerdal reported the Committee submitted a press release for approval. It needs to be changed to reflect Godsey’s changes that he had suggested to the section about him. The Board decided that the document was too long. It will be sent back to the Committee for changes. When it is ready, it will be submitted to the Board via email for approval. The Committee will be sponsoring a session, “Telling Your Library Story,” in the spring.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: The following changes were made to line items in the proposed budget: increase salaries/benefits line to $33,280.00, increase Public Relations Committee to $2,195.00 and decrease the Fall Conference/Programs expense line to $71,515.00. Parsons moved to approve the budget as amended. Motion passed. Wegner moved to authorize Hews to use the credit card when appropriate. Motion passed. Bissen moved to authorize Hews to write checks for routine expenditures as long as the expenditure does not overspend the budget line. Motion passed. Navarre moved to transfer $10,000.00 from CMA into investments. Motion passed. Bissen moved to write a letter to Merrill Lynch requesting that when the Select 10 becomes due for rollover that it be cashed out. That money will then be invested in TIAA-CREF. Motion passed. Finance Committee requested that Liz Nichols be added to the Committee. Board agreed by general consensus to this.

SUPPORT PERSONNEL: Bissen reported that two people are willing to serve as co-chairs for the next two years. They would like to do some leadership cultivation.

IOWA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION FOUNDATION: Bissen reported that meeting dates have been set for 2001. They have signed the contract with the ILA office for 2001. Rardin will give the ILAF report to this Board in 2001.

GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE: Navarre reported the committee is in the process of adding explanatory text to the agenda that was passed by the membership in October. Legislative day is January 24, 2001. Regional legislative dates are also set. Millsap is conducting a two-hour workshop on some of the regional days in the morning. French Johnson will talk to SPPG about the regional days.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE: The following changes were made to line items in the proposed budget: increase salaries/benefits line to $33,280.00, increase Public Relations Committee to $2,195.00 and decrease the Fall Conference/Programs expense line to $71,515.00. Parsons moved to approve the budget as amended. Motion passed. Wegner moved to authorize Hews to use the credit card when appropriate. Motion passed. Bissen moved to authorize Hews to write checks for routine expenditures as long as the expenditure does not overspend the budget line. Motion passed. Navarre moved to transfer $10,000.00 from CMA into investments. Motion passed. Bissen moved to write a letter to Merrill Lynch requesting that when the Select 10 becomes due for rollover that it be cashed out. That money will then be invested in TIAA-CREF. Motion passed. Finance Committee requested that Liz Nichols be added to the Committee. Board agreed by general consensus to this.

SUPPORT PERSONNEL: Bissen reported that two people are willing to serve as co-chairs for the next two years. They would like to do some leadership cultivation.

IOWA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION FOUNDATION: Bissen reported that meeting dates have been set for 2001. They have signed the contract with the ILA office for 2001. Rardin will give the ILAF report to this Board in 2001.

GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE: Navarre reported the committee is in the process of adding explanatory text to the agenda that was passed by the membership in October. Legislative day is January 24, 2001. Regional legislative dates are also set. Millsap is conducting a two-hour workshop on some of the regional days in the morning. French Johnson will talk to SPPG about the regional days.

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TELLING YOUR LIBRARY STORY

The Public Relations Committee will sponsor an ICN session on “Telling your Library Story” in thirty-five locations this spring. This session will be open to the library community and participants will be eligible for continuing education credit. Watch the IowaLib maillist and future Catalyst issues for details for this session you won’t want to miss!

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   Thursday, Luncheon—April 19
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   Thursday Evening, Dinner—April 19
★ David Schoonover, Rare Books Librarian, University of Iowa
   Friday, Luncheon—April 20

For queries regarding Conference planning, contact the WAAL Conference Planning Committee at waal-2001@library.wisc.edu
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Useful Links:
   Conference Announcement http://www.uwosh.edu/library/directory/Announcement.html
   Wisconsin Association of Academic Librarians http://www.wla.lib.wi.us/waal/

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2001 ILA CALENDAR

JANUARY
5  Conference Planning Committee, Pella
12–17  ALA Midwinter
       Washington D.C.
24  Legislative Day
       Legislative Update
       Reception with Legislators

FEBRUARY
9  Conference Planning Committee
   RiverCenter, Davenport
16  Finance Committee
   Iowa City Public Library
19  *Catalyst* deadline for March issue
23  Executive Board Meeting
   Urbandale Public Library

MARCH
2  Conference Planning Committee, Pella
9  Iowa Library Association Foundation
   Pleasant Hill Public Library

APRIL
1-7  National Library Week
6  Conference Planning Committee, Pella
20  Executive Board Meeting
   Urbandale Public Library
20  *Catalyst* deadline for May issue
30–1  National Legislative Day
       Washington D.C.

MAY
4  Conference Planning Committee, Pella
11  Finance Committee
   Iowa City Public Library
18  ILA/ACRL Spring Meeting
   St. Ambrose, Davenport
31-1  OCLC Meeting

JUNE
14–20  ALA Annual Conference
       San Francisco
20  *Catalyst* deadline for July issue
29  Iowa Library Association Foundation
   Pleasant Hill Public Library

JULY
13  ILA/GODORT Workshop

AUGUST
21  *Catalyst* deadline for September issue
24  Executive Board Meeting
   Urbandale Public Library

SEPTEMBER
7  Conference Planning Committee
   Davenport
11–13  Town Meetings
14  Iowa Library Association Foundation
   Pleasant Hill Public Library
18–20  Town Meetings

OCTOBER
10–12  Fall Conference, Davenport
19  Executive Board Meeting
       *Catalyst* deadline for November issue

NOVEMBER
9  Annual Planning Meeting
16  Finance Committee
   Iowa City Public Library

DECEMBER
7  Executive Board Meeting
   Central College, Pella
14  Iowa Library Association Foundation
   Pleasant Hill Public Library