

## **Second General Session Minutes Friday, September 24, 2004**

President, Pamela Drayson called the Second General Session of the 98<sup>th</sup> Annual NDLA Conference to order on Friday, September 24, 2004, at 1:00 pm, at the International Inn, Minot, North Dakota.

Drayson drew names for prizes provided by the exhibitors.

Drayson gave the first reading of the resolutions.

Drayson introduced Carol Hammond, President of the Mountain Plains Library Association. Hammond stated the Mountain Plains Library Association Conference will be held in Denver, Colorado, October 23-26, 2004.

Hammond talked about all the things we have learned while working at the library -- things we have learned without realizing we learned them.

We learned to:

- Organize a group
- Work with a diverse group of people
- Become a speaker and or a teacher
- Be involved in all the various types of politics within the community
- Network with all the various types of libraries and librarians within our community
- Mentor new coworkers into the ways of the library.

Hammond stressed the importance of getting involved in all facets of our communities. She encouraged each of us to play a volunteer leadership role so that when we ask our community for support they will remember that we were there to serve them when they asked.

Service pays – what you contribute will come back to you and your organization many times over.

The meeting adjourned at 1:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Deborah J. Igoe, Secretary