

NDLA Annual Conference  
First General Session  
September 24, 2009  
Days Hotel Grand Dakota Lodge  
Dickinson, ND

First General Session called to order at 8:30 am.

Introduction – President Bratton  
Cheryl Tollefson introduced Dickinson Mayor Dennis Johnson.

Welcome - Dickinson Mayor Dennis Johnson  
Mayor Johnson thanked NDLA for having the conference in Dickinson this year.

Approval of Minutes from 2008 General Sessions – Packineau  
Packineau motioned to approve the minutes from the three General Sessions from the 2008 annual conference. Lieberman seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report – Safratowich  
Safratowich reminded the General Membership that Treasurer's Report is published and submitted quarterly with each issue of *The Good Stuff*. Safratowich informed the general membership that the financials are sound. President Bratton thanked Safratowich for his hard work.

Vendor Recognition – James  
James invited attendees to visit with all 30 exhibitors.

State Librarian Report – Ott  
Ott highlighted several activities from the State Library throughout the last year: purchasing additional online resources, continuing on-site training, and adding records to the statewide online catalog. The State Library received an additional \$120,000 for online resources including Learning Express, Encyclopedia Britannica, and Informe, a Spanish language database. Ott stressed that every North Dakota citizen has access to the online databases from any internet connection. Ott also stressed that state-aid to public libraries continues to be an integral part of the State Library budget and encouraged the membership to contact their legislators. The ILL manual has been updated and has been uploaded to the State Library website. Ott noted the dates and locations of the NDSL 2010 Spring Workshops: April 12-13, Fargo; April 15-16, Bismarck. NDSL cataloged items for 41 different libraries in the state. NDSL processed about 69,000 ILL requests. Ott introduced staff members from NDSL.

Library Coordinating Council – A. Pederson  
NDLCC established by the ND State Legislature in 1997 to assist in the coordination of statewide library resources. Think tanks scheduled during summer 2009 to revise Library Vision 2010 to Library Vision 2015. All documents are available on the NDSL website. Grants are available to participate in statewide catalog and to fund partnership with non-library entity; grant deadline is October 31.

Bylaws Changes – Baesler

Baesler highlighted the change to electronic voting, which required a special vote to change NDLA Policies and Bylaws.

After announcements and door prizes, meeting adjourned at 9:21 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Zach Packineau