

Board Report - #7  
NDLA Representative to MPLA  
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Highlights from the MPLA Board meeting in Denver on July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2006.

March 14-16<sup>th</sup>, 2007 – New Mexico Library Association and MPLA Joint Conference will be held in Albuquerque. The theme is “Libraries: Launching the Future.”  
<http://www.nmla.org/abq2007/home.htm>

The keynote speaker is Joseph Janes, Assistant Professor and Chair of Library and Information Science at the Information School of the University of Washington and Founding Director of the Internet Public Library.

The formal audit came back clean.

We spent time brainstorming about fundraising ideas. 2006 is a non-conference year so money is tight.

We spent a couple of hours in small discussion groups to update the Long Range Plan. Goals, objectives and activities were evaluated and updated.

Pins will be given to long time members at state association conferences in 2007.

Conference Award Banquets at Joint Conferences can get to be too long and boring. Wayne Hanway, the President Elect, will talk with the NM Awards Committee to see what can be done to shorten the event.

Leadership Institute – While it is unquestionably a worthwhile event that MPLA alone conducts there are difficulties. Funding it is a big issue.

Judy Zelinski is now the Executive secretary and the newsletter editor.

A State Representative planning calendar is being created so State Reps. know what they are supposed to be doing and when.

Next meeting will be at 1pm Mountain time on Oct. 19,2006, via PC Conferencing. This is a very inexpensive way to conduct a Board Meeting.