

NDLA Board Report
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MPLA Representative
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I will not be attending the MPLA Board Meeting in Denver on July 21st, for personal reasons. This is the end of my term and the July meeting is an organizational planning meeting for the new president and the new Board.

MPLA Executive Board met on May 9th, 2007 by telephone conference call. The most significant thing was revising the budget to make up for a shortfall in revenues from the last conference. We were expecting several more thousands of dollars in profit. Also the Leadership Institute will be much more costly this year because Ghost Ranch raised their rates.

The one thing that I would like to propose to the NDLA Board is to consider organizing a bus to the ALA Summer Conference in Chicago in June 2009. The state of Nebraska uses LSTA money to send a bus to MPLA and other conferences. Transportation out of ND is prohibitive to attend most conferences. If we sent a bus and charged a nominal fee a lot more ND librarians would be able to attend an excellent professional development event. Nebraska says the bus ride is also a valuable time for networking amongst themselves.