Minnesota Library Association:
Annual Meeting 2017

October 5, 2017
Welcome

Agenda
- State of Association
- Treasurer's Report
- Draft Legislative Platform
- Plans for 2017
- Board Election Results
- Memorials, Resolutions, Questions

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State of the Association

Engaging our members
- Monthly meet-ups with subunits and committees
- New member welcome
- Continuing Education Committee

Strengthening our organization
- Membership is UP
- Strong turnout at ARLD, PLD, CYP events
- ITEM partnership to promote ESSA
# State of the Association

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Where do we need focus?

- **Support**: Better support for librarians and library staff of color
- **Advocacy**: More voices speaking on legislative issues
- **Education**: Year-long continuing education at all levels
- **Strategic Planning**
- **Website redesign**
Treasurer’s Report

Kate Anderson, Treasurer
MLA Net Assets by Year

2009: $184,362
2010: $202,982
2011: $229,910
2012: $210,941
2013: $172,791
2014: $154,463
2015: $158,689
2016: $168,318
2016 Revenue Sources

- Membership Dues: 21%
- Conference Registrations: 45%
- Exhibition Fees/Sponsorships: 13%
- Advocacy Support: 20%
- Advertising Revenue: 1%
Draft Legislative Platform

Ann Walker Smalley, Legislative Chair-Elect
1. Basic funding for libraries
   ● Regional Library Basic System Support (RLBSS): increased funding from $13.57 million to $16.57 million annually with a corresponding formula change to provide stable funding for all regional public library systems across the state.
   ● Multicounty Multitype Library Support: increased funding from $1.3 million to $2 million annually to support communication, resource sharing, sta development, and collaborative programming connecting all types of Minnesota libraries.

2. Bonding
   ● MLA and ITEM support the appropriation of $10 million over the 2017-18 biennium for construction and remodeling of public library buildings through the State’s currently authorized matching program (M.S. 134.45)

3. School Librarians Grant Pool
   ● MLA and ITEM support funding a grant pool to enable school districts to increase access to licensed library media specialist in districts which face a shortage of licensed media staff. (HF 2698)
2018 MLA/ITEM LEGISLATIVE PLATFORM

Statements of Support
The following efforts enhance library service to all Minnesota students and residents. As representatives of libraries of all types, MLA/ITEM support funding in the following areas:

- Continued funding for Minitex, the Electronic Library for Minnesota (ELM), the Minnesota Digital Library (MDL), and MNLINK, the statewide interlibrary loan and delivery system.
- Funding for EBooks MN to provide increased content and access to ebooks for libraries and school media centers.
- Funding after school and community programs that recognize the essential role libraries play to foster early literacy, provide out-of-school learning opportunities, and contribute to workforce development and college and career readiness.
- Annual funding for broadband for public libraries (RLTA) at $2.3 million per year.
- Increased annual funding for K-12 Broadband Equity Aid from $3.75 million per year to $9.75 million per year.
- Requests for increases in Local Government Aid and County Program Aid because these funding sources support government operations at the city and county level. An increase in the revenue base for cities and counties may result in additional funding support for library services at the local level.
Plans for 2018

Ryan McCormick, President-Elect

BECAUSE LIBRARIES MAKE LEADERS.
Board Election Results

Carla Lydon, Nomination Committee Chair
In Memoriam

Robert ‘Bob’ Rohlf, 1928 - 2017
Resolutions and Questions
Thank you for all your work in 2017.

See you in St. Cloud in 2018!