

## **Addendum to OLA Board Meeting Minutes of October 3, 2014**

Candice Watkins sent out a request for the board to vote on two proposals via email, due to a pressing timeframe for each decision. She sent out the proposals via email on October 20, 2014; the discussion on the proposals was to close by October 22, 2014, at which point she would call for a motion.

### **Proposal #1: Funding from OLA for a leadership pre-conference at OLA conference.**

The Leadership Taskforce is planning an all-day preconference session for the OLA conference. It will be facilitated by Becky Schreiber and John Shannon, two very successful leadership facilitators. The preconference is set up to offer an outstanding leadership opportunity and at the same time break even financially. In fact, the taskforce feels like this is a great deal – the facilitators usually ask \$6,000 for a day's training but they've agreed to do OLA's preconference training for a mere \$1,250.

That said, additionally, the facilitators' travel/hotel/meals will cost approximately \$1,800 - \$800 more than the Taskforce's budgeted \$1,000.

Therefore, the Leadership Taskforce is requesting \$800 from OLA's budget. The taskforce feels strongly that leadership development training is a priority for OLA and that a preconference is an integral steppingstone towards a more robust training in the future.

There is also the possibility that the preconference will attract more than 25 attendees. If that is the case, OLA will easily recover these additional costs and truly break even.

1. It was proposed that this money come out of the technology fund.
2. Mo Cole stated that the Public Library Division (PLD) would contribute \$400 towards this \$800 request.
3. Hannah Gascho Rempel stated that the Association of College and Research Libraries, Oregon chapter (ACRL-OR) would contribute \$400 towards this request.
4. With the requested funding being secured in this manner, the issue was resolved and did not need to be put to a board vote.

### **Proposal #2: Suspend by-laws temporarily re: OLA pre-conferences allowed**

The OLA Executive Board authorizes suspending policy 43.101, which limits the number of pre-conferences at the annual OLA conference to six (6), for the 2015 conference season. Suspension of this policy allows the Conference Committee to approve more than six (6) pre-conference sessions. (Note: requires a 2/3 vote in favor to suspend the by-law.)

1. There was a vigorous email conversation about this proposal.
2. From Mo Cole: "PLD now believes, after having the Directors' Meeting on 10/10, that the fundraising pre-conference would be much more successful if it could be held on a weekend day when Friends and Foundation members could attend. Therefore, PLD would like to pull its pre-conference proposal. We will continue to develop that concept as a stand-alone workshop at another time of the year. This means that the pre-conference proposals are reduced to six (6) and so the problem dissolves."
3. With this input, the issue was resolved and did not need to be put to a board vote.