

**State Librarian's Report**  
**November 27, 2006 through January 26, 2007**  
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**Goal One – Content** - *MSL acquires and manages relevant quality content that meets the needs of Montana library partners and patrons.*

- Worked with legislative bill drafter on the state publications permanent public access legislation. This legislation is HB 132.
- Prepared for and presented testimony on HB 132 State Publications Program permanent public access legislation.
- Worked with Governor's budget office and Department of Administration on fiscal note for HB132

**Goal Two—Access** – *MSL provides libraries, agencies, and its partners and patrons with convenient, high quality, and cost-effective access to library content and services.*

- Worked with legislative bill drafter on the information access Montana act revisions legislation. This legislation is HB 133.
- Prepared for and presented testimony on HB 133 Information Access Montana Act revisions to interlibrary loan program and statewide library card program.
- Worked with Montana Library Association (MLA), Senator Sam Kitzenberg, and Representative French on the proposal legislation (HB 374) to provide a program for grants and locals for public library construction and renovation programs.

**Goal Three—Consultation and Leadership** - *MSL provides consultation and leadership to enable its patrons and partners to reach their goals.*

- Met with Montana Library Association's Government Affairs chairperson and MLA's lobbyists to continue to plan for the lobbying efforts.
- Worked with MLA's President and Government Affairs Chairperson to get budget for the library day reception.

- Worked with Montana Library Association Government Affairs chair to provide talking points and data on the OCLC budget amendment request put forth by the Association.
- Consulted on censorship issues, executive planning process requests as they affect libraries, funding issues for local libraries, public library standards, long range planning, interlibrary loan reimbursements, library legislation as well as a few other pieces of legislation, and other public library issues with local trustees and public library directors.
- Participated in three hearings at the State Legislature: our budget hearing and public hearings on HB 132 and HB 133.
- Participated in December State Library Commission meeting.
- Worked with Debra Johnson on the tools for gathering information for the LSTA evaluation of Montana's LSTA funded programs.

**Goal Four—Collaboration** - *MSL promotes partnerships and encourages collaboration among its partners and patrons so that their information needs can be met.*

- Worked with Amy Carlson and others on the supercomputer proposal the Governor's office wanted to bring to the 2007 long range building committee's attention.
- Developed screening and interviewing tools for the Assistant State Librarian for Networking and Collaborative Projects position.
- Participated in the screening and interviewing of candidates for the Assistant State Librarian for Networking and Collaborative Projects position.
- Prepared for and participated in Networking Task Force meeting on January 26, 2007. Name has been changed to the Networking Advisory Council.

**Goal Five— Sustainable Success** - *MSL is a well-run organization and a sought-after employer; it is efficient and effective (measured against partner and patron outcomes), and successfully engaged in its ongoing mission.*

- Prepared and presented budget hearing presentation for the Appropriations Subcommittee on Education.
- Provided with help from managers the staff with a holiday breakfast.

- Participated in interviews for Administrative Assistant position. We hired Anastasia (Stacy) Bruhn.
- Worked with staff as they dealt with a number of building issues such as mice in the building, flooding due to sink overflow, and moving backup storage for our computer files from one server to another.