

**State Librarian's Report**  
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**Goal One – Content** – *Montana State Library (MSL) acquires and manages relevant quality content that meets the needs of Montana library partners and patrons.*

- Prepared for and presented testimony on HB 132 State Publications Program permanent public access legislation for the Senate State Administration Committee.

**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.*

- Met with Paul Cappuzzello regarding OCLC's new products and services as they could benefit Montana's libraries.
- Met with lawyer and staff on public information – rights management issues.
- Participated in Bibliographic Center for Research (BCR) board meeting.

**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.
- Consulted on 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, state aid for libraries, and other public library issues with local trustees and public library directors.
- Participated in three additional hearings at the State Legislature: two regarding our budget and public hearing on HB 132.
- Participated in February State Library Commission meeting, as well as March conference call meeting.

- Worked with Debra Johnson on the reviewing drafts for report on the Library Services Technology Act (LSTA) evaluation of Montana's LSTA funded programs.
- Attended a "GoToMeeting" online meeting with Library Development Staff
- Prepared presentation materials for Spring Federation meetings.
- Participated in the Board Valleys Federation meeting.
- Provided three strong Montana nominations for the OCLC Members Council nomination process.

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

- Worked with Department of Corrections and Library Information Services staff to establish appropriate procedures and training help for the new librarian at the Shelby Prison.
- Volunteered to help Department of Administration and Information Technology Services Division with the screening/interviewing of candidates for the Geographic Information Officer. Offer was accepted, have reviewed job profile and other agency background materials, no interviews scheduled yet.
- Met with Director Mary Sexton of the Department of Natural Resources (DNRC). A decision was made to hold off on the movement of the Board of Geographic names and its related responsibilities and resources to the State Library from DNRC. A careful review of the program, responsibilities, and resources will be conducted and appropriate legislation prepared before the 2009 legislature comes to town.

**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.*

- Worked with staff and contractor to make structural changes necessary for the backup generator for the server room.
- Provide orientation for new staff.
- Reviewed budget regarding personnel issues and possible end of year expenditures. Monitored almost daily our budget in legislative process.