

# Memo

**To:** State Library Commission  
Darlene Staffeldt, State Librarian

**From:** Sue Jackson, Continuing Education Coordinator

**Date:** May 21, 2009

In 2003, a 10-member PEEL Advisory Committee was appointed. These individuals have served through two PEEL projects, a total of nearly six years. Through their efforts, seventeen scholarships and five library stipends have been awarded to enhance library services in the state.

The role of the Advisory Committee included finalizing application materials, reviewing promotional plans and materials, screening applications, preparing recommendations for funding, monitoring the status of scholarship and stipend recipients, interpreting award requirements, and supporting MSL in upholding these requirements.

The PEEL II project officially ends on June 30, 2009, and the Advisory Committee's work will be completed. For their dedication and outstanding service, it is recommended that the MSL Commission formally recognize and thank the Advisory Committee. Without their expertise, guidance and support, PEEL would not have been a success or accomplished its goals.

The PEEL Advisory Committee members are:

**Dale Alger**, Roundup, representing public libraries

**Caroline Bitz**, Box Elder, representing Montana State Library Commission

**Mary Bushing**, Bozeman, Library Educator

**John Finn**, Anaconda, representing the Montana Library Association

**Michael Hall/Colet Bartow**, Helena, representing the Office of Public Instruction

**John Meckler**, Plains, representing school libraries

**Anita Scheetz**, Poplar, representing tribal college libraries

**Mike Schulz**, Dillon, representing academic libraries

**Ellen Swaney**, Helena, Director of the American Indian/ Minority Achievement, Office of the Commission of Higher Education

**Darlene Staffeldt**, Montana State Librarian, ex-officio member