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# Minnesota Library Association:

## State of the Association

*Annual Meeting 2019*

September 19, 2019  
Mystic Lake Center

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# Welcome



MINNESOTA LIBRARY  
ASSOCIATION

## Agenda

- State of Association
- Treasurer's Report
- Draft Legislative Platform
- Plans for 2020
- Board Election Results
- Bylaws Changes
- Memorials and Resolutions
- Questions
- Adjourn

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# State of the Association

Kirsten Clark, President

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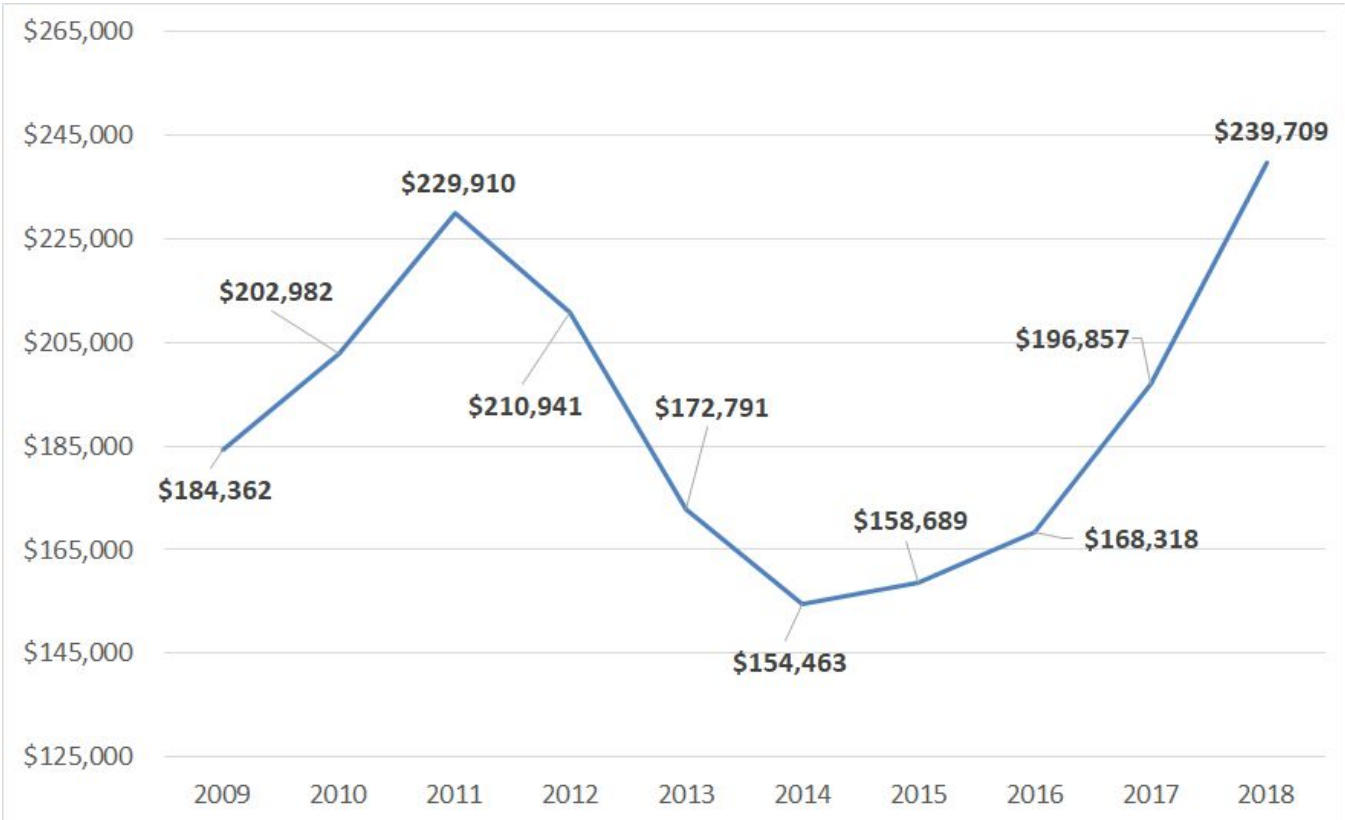
# State of the Association

- Strategic Plan approved and moving forward with Quarterly check-ins with Board
  - Website Redesign Planning
  - Changes in Management HQ
  - Continuing Education Committee approved
  - New Membership Category
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# Treasurer's Report

Jonathan Carlson, Treasurer

# MLA Net Assets by Year



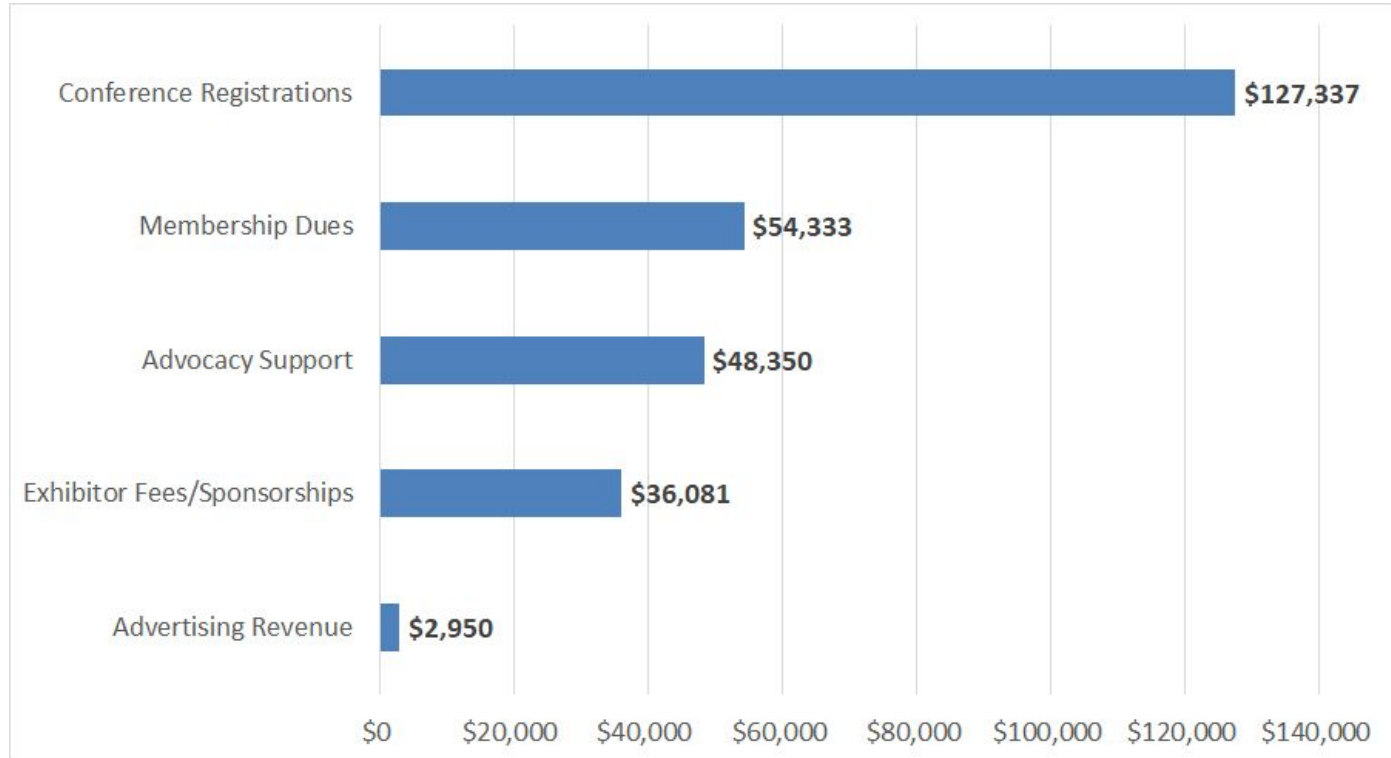
## 2018 Final

Operating Reserves  
\$152,469.52

Strategic Reserves  
\$35,062.41

Earnings  
\$30,145.34

# 2018 Revenue Sources

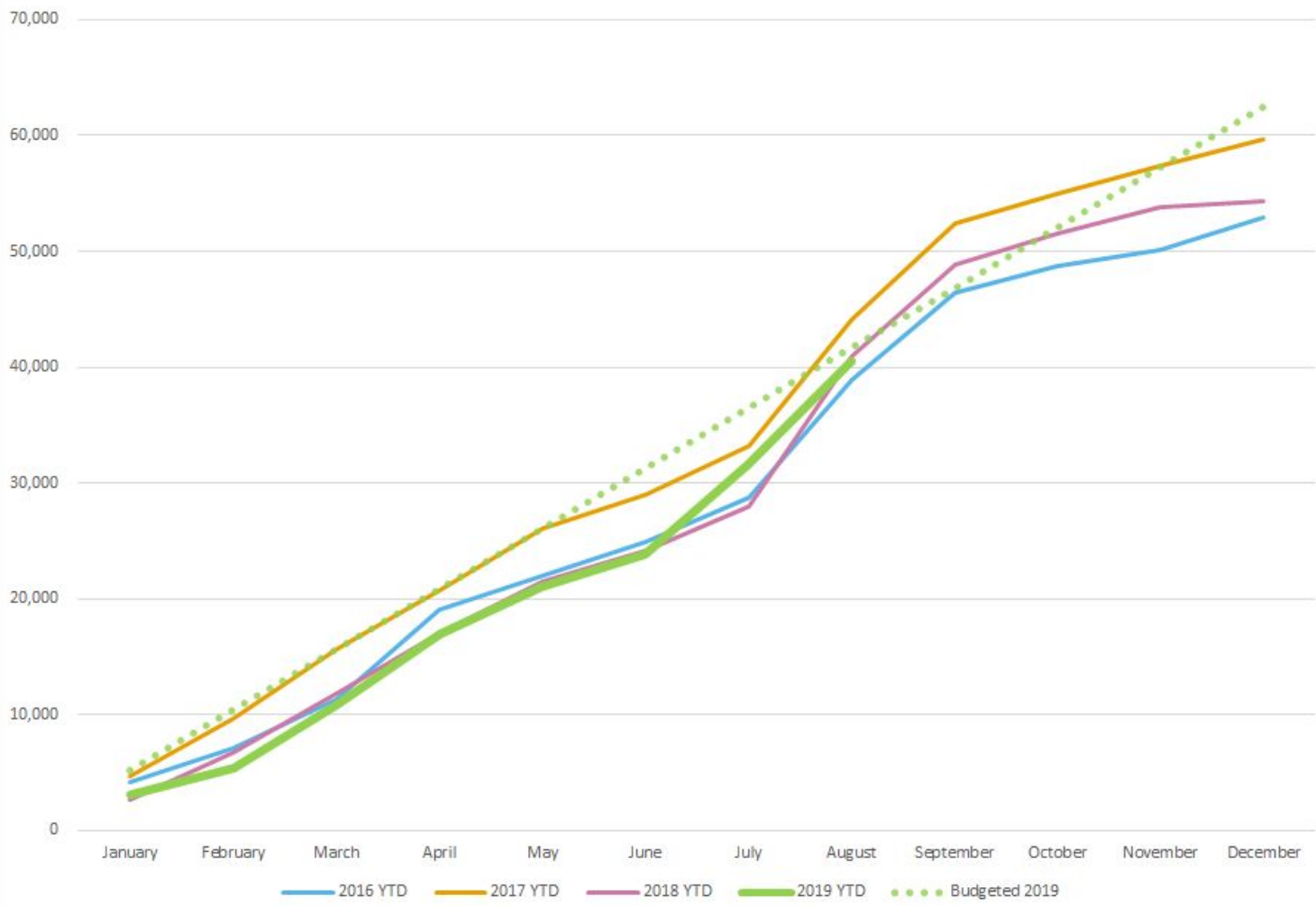




# 2018 Expenditures



### Membership Dues Revenue YTD



# Draft Legislative Platform

Jami Trenam,  
Legislative Chair-Elect

# 2020 MLA/ITEM LEGISLATIVE PLATFORM DRAFT

*Because 2020 is not a budget year, continue to monitor active bills left from 2019 in case a supplemental budget bill arises.*

## **Bonding (Capital Investment)**

HF 2529 / SF 2725

\*Potential to look into policy changes around max allocations

## **RLBSS (Regional Library Basic System Support)**

HF 1282/SF 1704

\*Also includes potential changes around allowable uses of RLTA

## **School Librarians Grant Pool**

HF 247/SF 2010

# 2020 MLA/ITEM LEGISLATIVE PLATFORM DRAFT

## Statements of Support

*Continue to watch issues and opportunities around:*

- ❖ Minitex funding (was funded through the Governor's Budget in 2019) – perhaps begin to build case for increases around ELM/Elibrary for 2021
- ❖ Maintenance of Effort (MOE) statute (currently frozen at 90% of 2011 levels)
- ❖ Broadband Access
- ❖ Net Neutrality

# Annual Process and Next Steps

**August:** Review progress/frame ideas at Legislative Forum

**Sept/Oct:** share concepts at MLA and ITEM business meetings

**Oct:** MLA Legislative Committee recommends platform

**Nov:** MLA Board adopts/votes on Platform in concept

When draft legislation is introduced, our membership advocates for it, including at  
Library Legislative Day (March 31, 2020)

# Plans for 2020

Patti Bross,  
President-Elect

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## For 2020

- Continue moving forward with the Strategic Plan
  - Redesign Website
  - Update Bylaws
  - Expand advocacy efforts outside library staff
  - Expand and Engage MLA Membership
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# Board Election Results

Carla Lydon,  
Nomination Committee Chair

President-Elect

Treasurer

Legislative Chair-Elect

Intellectual Freedom Chair-Elect

Member-at-Large

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# Congratulations to:

- President Elect:
  - Member at Large:
  - Treasurer:
  - Intellectual Freedom Committee Chair-Elect:
  - Legislative Committee Chair-Elect:
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# Bylaws Changes

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# Bylaws Change 1:

- Add the Continuing Education Committee to the list of Standing Committees
  - Article 9 (Committees)
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## Bylaws Change 2:

- Membership category update
  - This change is designed to encourage library supporters who are not part of another membership category to join the Association.
  - Changes are to Article 1 (Membership and Dues) and Appendix A (Dues Structures)
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**In Memoriam**

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# In Memoriam

- **Nancy B. Olson**
    - Professor Emerita, Minnesota State University, Mankato
    - Served as president of MLA
    - Participated in the development of MARC and cataloging standards
    - Founded the On-Line Audiovisual Catalogers, Inc.
  - **Joan Larson**
    - Served as president of MLA
    - Active board member of Minnesota Association of Library Friends (MALF)
    - Coordinator of Northern Lights Library Network (NLLN)
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# Resolutions



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# Joan Larson Memorial Resolution

- Text provided in email message sent out to the membership before the meeting.
  - Written by Bill Asp
  - Input provided by Gretchen Wronka, Jan Feye-Stukas, Barbi Byers, Ruth Solie, and Mary Treacy
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# Questions

**Thank you for all  
your work in 2019.**

**See you in  
Duluth  
in 2020!**