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MLA Board Update

The MLA Board met for the annual meeting during the MLA Annual Conference on Thursday, September 19th. The approved minutes from the previous month's meeting may be found here. The agenda from each meeting is posted on the Board of Directors page several days prior to the meeting. Board meetings are open to the public and members are encouraged to attend.

ARLD Elects New Board

The results are in for the September election of the 2020 Academic and Research Libraries Division (ARLD) Board of Directors! Effective this December, the following newly elected officers will be joining the Board:

Chair Elect
Jenny McBurney, University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

Legislative Liaison
Ginny Moran, Macalester College

Secretary
Kristen Cooper, University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

Members-At-Large
Christina Buckles, Macalester College
Bekky Vrabel, Winona State University

Thanks to all who ran for office and all who voted!

Minnesota Historical and Cultural Heritage Grants Available

The Minnesota Historical Society’s grant category "Minnesota Bookshelf," offers grants to purchase books from any of four bookshelves for their institutions. Adding a solid collection of Minnesota history books to your organization’s library ensures their availability for use by your staff, volunteers, members, students, and visitors.

- The Minnesota History Bookshelf covers all aspects and eras of Minnesota history. These books will encourage your patrons to look at your local history in a larger statewide and regional context, leading them to look at their own local history in a new light.
- The Minnesota Children’s Bookshelf includes children’s literature for teaching about the state of Minnesota as well as books that are significant in the history of Minnesota children's literature.
- The Museum Bookshelf, based on the organization of the StEPs program, assembles the basic tools needed to help organizations operate museums that represent their communities fairly, honestly, and accurately.
- The Historic Preservation Bookshelf assembles the basic tools needed to help communities shape changes to their built environment and yet retain a sense of place.

For further information, check out the Minnesota Historical and Cultural Heritage Grants program website and the Minnesota Historical and Cultural Heritage Grants manual (PDF).

Welcome New Members!

Kathy Ahlers
Laura Cossette
Ann Erdmann
Rachelle Lee Golde
Karen Hamer
Connie Haugen
Elizabeth Jacobson
Katie Kane
Sarah Quimby
Erin Smith
Robyn Westrem
Thank You Renewing Members!

Kate Anderson, Gretchen Benson, Mark Blando, Beth Breiter, Julia Carlis, Mary Durham, Ann Erdmann, Dru Frykberg, Rebecca Ganzel, Laura Halverson, Heidi Hammond, Nancy Henningson, Jenefer Hill, Leslie Hunter-Larson, Alyssa Inniger, Sonja Isaacson, Katie Kersten, Brian Kraft, Kelly Mcbride, Michele McGraw, Marlene Moulton-Janssen, Pam O'Hara, Jeff Olmsted, Cindy Purser, Julie Ann Rashid, Gabriele Roemhildt, Lawrence Schwartz, Abby Smith, Amber Sternitzke, Monica Stratton, Katie Sundstrom, Katrina Hartz Taylor, Trish Vaillancourt, Bekky Vrabel, Jo Walter