

Colorado Association of School Libraries
Board Meeting Minutes
Saturday, February 1, 2003
Cottonwood Creek Elementary School, Englewood, CO

In attendance: Judy Barnett, Nance Nassar, Karen Kargel, Betty Bankhead, Dave Sanger, Jacque Ossian

Meeting was called to order at 9:55 A.M. Minutes from the November meeting were read and approved unanimously.

Nominations:

Dave Sanger reported that we have two volunteers for the board from the Arkansas Valley region. Dave will contact Julie Herrera about her ability to attend CASL board meetings.

CAL Report: (Judy Barnett)

Kathleen Sagee Noland has returned to her position as full time secretary for CAL.

The issue of academic freedom was discussed with the advent of the Patriot Act. The subject of a CAL position on academic freedom was also discussed.

Suggestion for next CAL conference:

There was discussion on the impact of CSAP testing on library programs. The board agreed that it would be a good panel discussion at the next conference. We are looking for a task force to explore the issue further. Also see AASL report below.

AASL Affiliate Assembly Report (Betty Bankhead)

*See Betty's report, attached.

- Betty recommended presenting the Information Literacy Award at the next CAL conference.
- It was discussed and recommended that we support a "friends of the library" program for school libraries.
- On the issue of School Library Media Specialist recruitment, it was recommended that we offer presentations on SLMS at the next CAL conference and that we create a "be a librarian" link on the CDE and CASL websites.
- Window stickers proclaiming "Kids+Libraries=Learning" were discussed. Karen Kargel will contact Kinko's and others for the pricing and possibilities for printing for the next conference.
- It was suggested that we also have a link to a suggested reading list on our CASL website.
- Dave Sanger made a motion that CASL support Dawn Vaughn and Jody Howard for their respective nominations for President-Elect and Board Director (Supervisors' Section) of AASL. The motion was unanimously approved.

Publications

Betty Bankhead will author a reflection from the AASL conference for the May issue of Colorado Libraries.

Judy Barnett will author an article concerning the Spring workshop for the June issue.

Jacque Ossian will author an article on the Caldecott reading award contest at Cottonwood Elementary for the September issue.

CAL News items:

Press releases from the AASL conference for the @ your library campaign.

Information will be included concerning the Technology Information Literacy Plans and information concerning the SLM endorsement. Nance Nassar will write the news items.

Discussion Items:

Judy Barnett will have a draft copy (attached) of the flyer to be used for the CASL Spring workshop ready for review by February 5th.

Future Meeting Dates: March 8th @ Jacque Ossian's House to finalize plans for the Spring Workshop.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Jacque Ossian

ALA Midwinter 2003
American Association of School Librarians Affiliate Assembly Report
Betty Bankhead, CASL Delegate

The new ALA Executive Director, Keith Michael Fiels addressed the assembly. He's the former state librarian from Massachusetts. He began his career as a school librarian and seems very supportive of school libraries. His message was "If you are going to invest \$1 in your school, put it into your library because that is the most effective investment."

ALA announced the launch of the @ your library / school library campaign for Spring 2003. Graphics, posters and press releases will be specifically targeted to show the importance of school libraries. Several posters were on display and were well designed. There was also a reminder of the current Drive to Read @ your library campaign that is targeted at YA's and can be used in school libraries. Students read one of the "2002 Best Books for Young Adults" and then submit an essay on a heroic character. The winner(s) will be chosen in April and win a trip to the Daytona 500. Information is available at www.ala.org/@yourlibrary.

The Information Literate Student Award was explained. Any AASL member can give an award to a student who shows how they meet the 9 information literacy principles. It was piloted in Region 2 last year and is now available to all affiliates. Students submit an essay describing how they employ the 9 principles and then a teacher committee judges the submissions. The winning student receives a certificate with the AASL seal and the president's signature. Any other costs of ceremonies, plaques, gift certificates, etc. are at local discretion and cost.

Then each of the nine regions caucused to discuss the following topics:

State affiliates and conferences	State actions on standards
State actions on publications	State recruitment initiatives
State literary initiatives	State concerns

Colorado is in Region 9 that consists of Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Montana, South and North Dakota and Wyoming. Only Kansas, Nebraska, and Colorado have been re-affiliated, however Wyoming is "working on it". The other states will probably not be able to affiliate due to the small number of school librarians who are AASL members. Members present from Region 9 were JoAnne Proctor, Susan Ryan, and Jane Barnard from Kansas, Betty Bankhead and Gene Hainer from Colorado, along with guests Dawn Vaughn and Jody Howard from Colorado. Dawn Vaughn has been nominated by AASL for President-Elect and Jody Howard has been nominated for AASL Board Director from the Supervisor's Section.

After regions met and discussed the issues, each region reported out. Some of the best ideas:

State Initiatives:

OH	Management firm evaluated affiliate to streamline organization operation
Region V	Website of whole region
Region II	LISTSERV for officers
OK	Scholarship program for NBPTS candidates
TX	Established a "Friends of School Libraries" Roundtable

WA K12 initiative to improve school libraries; Eisenberg & Marcoux Spring train the trainer

Recruitment:

MD Brochure to teachers who want to change certification
VT Presentation at VEA about opportunities as SLMS
DE Monthly message on website about opportunities
NJ www.bealibrarian.org
PA www.psla.org
FL Certification by examination had been adopted. Also replicating the Colorado Study. 25% of current SLMS retiring over 5 years.
GA State lottery money being used for critical need in certified areas (SLMS)
AZ Certificate of membership in the state affiliate
Kids + Libraries = Learning (\$5 license plates from state association)

Standards:

KS State Board adopted the “Handy 5” assessment. Published by Scarecrow
OR/WA It conference “Libraries Without Boundries”
OK Suggested reading list from state department of ed selected by affiliate
SLMS will be part of the state DOE summer institute
GA Exemplary Library Media program award
NC www.ncwiseowl.org/impact.htm Evaluation tool
MN Revising current standards in light of NBPTS
PA Offers 30 workshops around the state in addition to the annual conference
MA Model rubric for evaluating programs on website
Region IV Outreach to education accrediting bodies (NCA)
OK Working to include need to participate in prof. org. as part of NBPTS portfolio

Committee Reports:

Leadership Forum: Announced a leadership workshop that can be licensed on a cost-recovery basis from AASL

AASL/ACRL Task Force on Information Literacy: Offering program entitled “My Seniors are Your Freshmen” at the next ALA midwinter from 2-4 on Saturday

@your library: Key messages of marketing campaign will be:

School libraries:

Are critical to the learning process Are technology innovators
Facilitate life-long learning Are places of opportunity
Are places of refuge

Will produce manual to use in train the trainer sessions

Small committee meeting at the 3M corporate retreat in MN

Will be a companion to the ALA Advocacy Tool Kit

ALA Midwinter 2004 in San Diego

Will provide training to the Affiliate Assembly

Finale was the presentation of the Crystal Apple Award to US Representative Ralph Regula for his work in funding school libraries.

*The Colorado Association of School Libraries
requests the honor of your presence at*



Our Big Fat Information Literacy and Technology Wedding

Spring Workshop

*on Saturday the twenty-sixth of April
two thousand and three
from eight-thirty o'clock until three o'clock
Wasson High School Mini Auditorium
2115 Afton Way, Colorado Springs, Colorado*

Stevan Kalmon and Jared Polis will officiate the ceremony

*Price of wedding is \$35.00 for members and \$60.00 for non members (\$45 for
CoALL, CCML, and RMSLA members); luncheon included*



Guest will

- ♥ *Understand the state mandate regarding integrating information literacy and technology into classroom instruction*
- ♥ *Receive "Best Practice" lesson plans*
- ♥ *Have time to create a plan for implementing collaborative lessons*

Invitees include School Library Media Specialists, Technology Specialists, Literacy Teachers, or other educators interested in integrating information literacy and technology.

*Register online at <http://www.cal-webs.org/> by April 12, 2003.
CDE Certificates available for 5 hours training**