

**SRRT IG Meeting**  
**WLA Conference, Sheraton Hotel, Tacoma**  
**Friday, April 21, 2006, 4:45 PM**

Members present: Jonathan Betz-Zall, Amy Lee, Barbara Menne, Nancy Minton, Laura Park, Will Stuivenga, Tony Wilson.

SRRT Chair Laura Park called the meeting to order. Those present introduced themselves. A signup sheet was sent around.

Copies of the proposed bylaws were handed out and briefly discussed. Jonathan drafted the bylaws to conform to the WLA's model bylaws for interest groups. The problem is that active membership in SRRT (and many other IG's for that matter) is so small that it is difficult if not impossible to comply with many of the provisions. It was requested that comments on the bylaws be sent to Laura.

Officers were re-elected. Laura Park agreed to serve as Chair for another year; Will Stuivenga will continue as Secretary/Treasurer, Jonathan Betz-Zall as Representative of the Action Council of the ALA SRRT; Carla McLean as webmaster (in absentia, subject to her approval), and Nancy Minton was newly elected as newsletter editor. The newsletter may be exclusively in online format.

We need to submit program ideas for next year's WLA Conference by July 1. Examples of previous programs are available on the SRRT Website. See <http://www.wla.org/igs/srrt/> for a listing of this year's programs and <http://www.wla.org/igs/srrt/archive.html> for some previous programs. Typically we submit several program ideas, as the conference committee may approve only some of them. Ideas for programs that were mentioned or discussed are as follows:

- A program featuring Mike Wessels (Timberland Community Relations Librarian) and Jonathan Betz-Zall as presenters on the topic of reaching out to people with varying religious beliefs, such as Christian fundamentalists and others. CATS might be a potential co-sponsor for this program.
- A program on library services to people who don't have ID (so-called "illegal immigrants") was suggested, with REFORMA as a potential co-sponsor. REFORMA is talking about immigration issues related to legislation that is currently "in the pike."
- Betty Marcoux, UW iSchool, was suggested as a speaker on the topic of working with Spanish speaking populations.
- Services to homeschoolers was mentioned as a potential program topic. The State Library and KCLS have been exhibiting at the annual WHO (Washington

Homeschool Organization) convention. Pierce County will also be exhibiting this year.

- Gale Kouame, Consumer Health Information Coordinator, National Network of Libraries of Medicine, Pacific Northwest Region, University of Washington, was suggested as a speaker on medical resources for Spanish speakers.
- A world languages project being coordinated through the State Library was also mentioned, although it may be a bit early for a program at this point, since the project is just getting started.
- Jonathan suggested an eco-librarian topic as a program idea.

Anyone interested in any of the above, or who have other ideas (related or unrelated) for WLA programs should please volunteer to work on developing them and fleshing them out more fully.

The available time having run out, Chair Laura Park adjourned the meeting.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Will Stuiivenga, Secretary. May 1, 2006