

WALE Business Meeting

2012 WALE Conference Luncheon, General Session
Oct. 30, 2012, Chelan, WA

OLD BUSINESS:

WALE Chair Theresa Barnaby called the meeting to order. The minutes from the 2011 WALE Business meeting were posted and the change to by-laws reviewed. A motion was made and seconded to approve last year's minutes. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Chair announced and introduced the 2012 WALE Scholarship recipients—Rhonda Gimlen, from Liberty Lake Municipal Library, and Tracey Rice, from Eastern Washington University. This year the recipients were awarded their registration fees from WALE along with their lodging covered by the WLA Scholarship Committee.

Chair explained the rotation of positions on our WALE Interest Group Board and the need for a Vice-Chair. This position would serve as Vice-Chair the first year, then move to Chair the second year, and the Past Chair the third year. Secretary is a two year term with the election in odd years. This proposed change was opened for discussion, then moved, seconded, and approved. Nominations for vice-chair should be sent to Chair in the next three weeks. The ballots will be emailed later in November with voting closing in December.

Lynne King shared how important it is to get involved in WALE and the value of networking. The online board meetings make it much easier to participate. Chair reviewed the benefits of stepping up and encouraged attendees and members to be on a committee—of course, after receiving approval from your library manager/director.

The 2013 WALE Conference will be at Campbell's Resort in Chelan on Oct. 31 through Nov. 2. WALE is working with Mary at Campbell's to identify the 2014 dates also. WLA will negotiate the contract and probably handle all the finances and registration. Conference planning meetings are primarily done once a month via the Elimunate/Connect online blackboard. Volunteers are needed to co-chair next year's conference along with speakers, facilities, etc. If you are interested in being a part of the planning committee, join the 8 a.m. gathering in the Monfort Room on the second floor tomorrow (Wednesday, Oct. 31).

Chair asked for any other new business. There was none and meeting was adjourned.

Changes to By-Laws

Under Article V Section 5 change to:

Section 5.

Vice Chair/Chair (Three Year Term)

Vice Chair/Chair Elect will be elected to serve one year as Vice Chair, one year as Chair and one year as Past Chair. Elections for Vice Chair shall take place annually.

Secretary

Elected in odd-numbered-years:

The Secretary will serve for a term of two years.

After serving as Past Chair, there must be a year's wait before a Past Chair can run for Vice Chair.

The Secretary may serve up to two consecutive terms with a term defined as two years.