

WALE 2013
Conference Planning Committee Meeting
BlackBoard Collaborative
March 14, 2013

Present: Joe Olayvar, Daurice Siller, Danielle Marcy, Bobbie Demiero, Georgette Rogers, Lynne King, Gerie Ventura, Cindy Wigen and Peggy Bryan.

Joe Olayvar, Conference (Chair?) Co-Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:36 a.m. and welcomed everyone to the planning meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Joe shared a list of sub-committee assignments and announced the newest volunteer to the WALE Conference Planning Committee: Printing & Supplies—Nourizadeh (Nouri)Manochehr, from Seattle Public Library. Thank you, Nouri!

- **Conference Chair:** Joe Olayvar
- **Programming & Speakers:** Gerie Ventura and Kolleen Schlenker
- **Volunteer Coordinators:** Bobbie Demiero and Leanna Hammond
- **Local Arrangements:** Angela Morris and Ann Brangwin
- **Printing & Supplies:** Nouri Manochehr (Thank You!)
- **Prizes & Packets:** Lynne King and Georgette Rogers
- **Facilities:** Danielle Marcy

1. What positions still vacant? Co-Chair...any volunteers???
2. Keynote update was shared by Gerie. Monday's pre-conference offerings will include a free, WSL sponsored, all-day workshop, **Leading From Any Position**, presented by Cyndi Schaeffer. Tuesday morning speaker will be Robert Dugoni. Tuesday dinner speaker will be Gene from the Unshelved Guys. Wednesday morning will be John Hughes, from WSL, with no fee but we'll need to cover expenses.
3. Position/sub-committee descriptions have been added to the shared WALE Google docs. This will be helpful for planning the next year's conference.
4. Other items? Nothing at this time.
5. Flyers and bookmarks for the OLA/WLA Conference in April are being done by Theresa Barnaby (Richland Public Library). These will be handed out and available at the Interest Group table.
6. Working Budget has also been added to the WALE Google docs. This is a work in progress and will be updated as we go. Gerie asked if there would

be funds to cover mileage for session presenters? Unfortunately, not. Presenting and incurred expenses are the responsibility of each person's library system—as a way of supporting the continuing education of library staff.

7. Progress reports were as follows:

- **Facilities**—Joe and Danielle will be visiting Campbell's next week to review the details of the venue and conference needs.
- **Local Arrangements**—Theresa would like to have the pending cruise firmed up, so she can add it to flyers and bookmarks for the OLA/WLA Conference. Will need to set up a book signing with Riverside Books for Robert Dugoni's books.
- **Prizes and Packets**—Lynne and Georgette are working on prizes. Yes, we will be doing the popular wine tower again. As we get closer to conference time we will identify the prize needs. The Unshelved Guys will be donating items, too. It was mentioned that WALE membership information should be included in packets—listing the benefits and the FUN of participating.
- **Speakers and Programs**—Gerie shared with Keynote update above.
- **Volunteers**—Bobbie indicates that she is already getting volunteers for conference tasks.

Who is going to OLA/WLA? We are meeting as a Committee and... We're aliens from Saturn (Whodothunk?). There was discussion on when to meet during the schedule of events at the April Conference. As of now, Joe, Theresa, Lynne and Gerie (in hula hoops?) plan to meet as a committee either Tuesday night after the meet and greet or Wednesday for lunch...or both. Any other WALE Conference Planning Committee members attending should plan to join them.

The next BlackBoard Collaborative meeting is in question due to scheduling conflicts. Joe is looking to change the April meeting from Thursday, April 4th, to Tuesday, April 2nd or 9th. Please let him know which fits with your schedule. Joe thanked everyone. With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Cindy Wigen for Peggy Bryan, WALE IG Secretary