## WALE Conference Session, 3:45-5:00 PM, Tuesday, October 29, 2013

## The Future Is Now II: Making a Difference in WLA

Panelists:

Brianna Hoffman

Richland Public Library and WLA Board member

Darcy Brixey

King County Library System and past CAYAS IG Chair

Ann Crewdson

King County Library System and IFIG Chair

Brian Soneda (panelist/moderator)

Mount Vernon City Library and past WLA President

All four panelists have served as WLA officers and/or on WLA committees, at the IG level as well as at the WLA as a whole level. We will talk about how we came to participate in this WLA leadership activity, what our home libraries get out of our participation, what we personally get out of this participation, and what WLA gets out of this participation. We will share some examples of opportunities that a new member of WLA has in working into a more active role in the association. You don't have to have an "I am a leader!" self-image, you just need an "I'd like to help" outlook. And as we will all say, you will not regret getting involved.