KASL Council Meeting
18 January 2013
Circle High School
Towanda, KS

9:04 a.m. Carmaine Ternes called the meeting to order.

The following members were in attendance:

Carmaine Ternes, Nancy McFarlin, Gwen Lehman, Diane Leupold, Julie Doyen, Sharon Parks, Barb Bahm, Marla Lambert, Debra Kauer, Cindy Pfeiffer, Desiree Moore, Sheri Roberts, Martha House, Mary Hobson, Ruth McCauley, Jackie Lakin, Peggy Golden, Melissa Stuckey, Sharon Koontz, Karen Dater, Linda Holzer,

Approval of minutes from the August 3, 2013 Council meeting: Sharon Parks moved, Nancy McFarlin seconded. Motion passed.

Council Officer’s Reports:

Carmaine Ternes, President  See addendum #1.

Carmaine reported on attendance at the fall conference and the mission of KLFA. She encouraged everyone to attend legislative coffees or other meetings to demonstrate support and advocate for funding for school libraries as well as the state library.

Carmaine also shared information from KLFA. See addendum #1-page 2.

Nancy McFarlin, President Elect

Nancy reported that the fall conference is in the preliminary stages. She is seeking program ideas. Let her know if you have suggestions/requests and/or are willing to present.

She also reported on her attendance at national conferences.

Gwen Lehman-Past President  See addendum #2.

Gwen reported on AASL Conference.

On behalf of the nominating committee, Amy Brownlee and Vicky Vanbecelaere, Gwen presented the following slate of officer nominations for 2014-2015. Marla Lambert for President-Elect, Brenda Lemon for Treasurer, Sharon Parks for Secretary. Gwen Lehmen moved we accept this slate of officers . Nancy McFarlin seconded. Motion passed.

Diane Leupold, Treasurer  See addendum #3.

Diane reported that the budget is mostly on track. Cost for travel has increased so budget for that is maxing out. Executive council will meet over lunch to overview budget and then call for a vote.

Diane Leupold moved the report be accepted. Mary Hobson seconded. Motion passed.

Julie Doyen, Assistant Treasurer  See addendum #4.

Julie extended her thanks to the association for the grant she was awarded to attend a national conference.
Julie reviewed the responsibilities of her position. The main job of the assistant treasurer is to manage merchandise—the primary goal is to promote the organization, not to be used as a fund-raiser. Some items are used as gifts but the main purpose is to promote and get KASL’s name out to the public. She will provide a bag of merchandise for each district to show/sell at their workshops; these items need to be sold or returned. Merchandise sales at conference were down this year. She feels it is due to the location she was set up; location is key.

KASL taxes are due the 27th and that will be paid on time.

**Barb Bahm, Executive Secretary**

Barb passed out packets to district directors with information for spring workshops. The folder contains address labels for workshop mailings, email lists of members from the new directory, and membership renewal forms. PLEASE return the folder to her with membership renewals after spring workshops. She also has books to give away at workshops and some display boards which she will pass out after the meeting.

Membership is down 37 members but we do have a lot of new members. Retired members are not joining. A benefit to them in joining is a reduced cost for conference. They have been notified and asked to respond to a survey in regard to why they haven’t renewed. Another benefit is the “members-only” list serve. Membership cards are out to everyone.

Report on the fall conference: conference account before expenses was $29,745.91 with $16,719.56 being profit. Attendance count was 620. The biggest expense was speaker, Jack Gantos. Attendance was down for KASL although public attendance was up. Nancy McFarlin added that the evaluations had positive comments about the combined organization. Carmaine commented that it was a good effort and everyone worked well together. Free conference registration for next year went to Tammy Barb for completing the survey at the conference. This money came out of the conference registration fees; not KASL funds. Cindi Salmans won the free KASL membership at the poker run for 14-15 year.

**Marla Lambert, Historian** See addendum #5.

Marla presented last year’s scrapbook. It was digitally created with Creative Memories software and then printed and bound into a hardback book. She also has a PDF copy, which she converted into a PowerPoint presentation and ran it throughout the conference. Marla and Martha will explore putting it on the KASL website.

Completing the scrapbook this year may be a challenge because the company from which she purchased the software has gone out of business but she thinks she has figured out an alternative and this year’s scrapbook will be very similar. She is currently working on it.

**Brig McCoy, KASL Mailing List Administrator** Not in attendance-no report.

**Martha House, Webmaster**

There are some upcoming transitional issues she is dealing with at this time. Some are server issues. She may open a gmail account and move the web pages onto that account. She is consolidating things but the web page should continue to look much as it does now.

**Nancy McFarlin, Cindy Pfeiffer**

*Declaration for the Right to Libraries* is an initiative started by Barb Stripling for library advocacy. They encouraged everyone to sign digitally online. Posters are also available online. ALA’s website is supporting the importance of school libraries so it is important for KASL to support this initiative.
Our state legislature needs to know that we need a certified librarian in every school building and we need funding for state databases.

*Cindy Pfeiffer, Advocacy*

Be aware of our standards and promote them.

AASL leadership and board operates through concerns and commendations brought forth by each state. Kansas does a good job of bringing attention to our state. Nominee for Region 9 is Ken Stuart from Blue Valley so Kansas will be well represented.

AASL book recommendation by Tony Wagner: *Creating Innovators . The Fantastic Flying Books of Mr. Morris Lessmore* by William Joyce. This book emphasizes that the end goal is always the printed book.

*Peg Golden, District Workshops*

Peg asked for clarification about the $5 membership discount. The $5 discount is granted to a present member upon renewal of their membership WITH the recruitment of a new member.

**District I: Marla Lambert, Melissa Stuckey** (both in attendance) See addendum #6.

Spring workshop will be held on April 12, 2014 at Emerson Elementary, Kansas City, KS. Theme is “No Boundaries.”

**District II: Ruth McCauley, Sharon Koontz** (both in attendance) See addendum #7.

Spring workshop will be held on March 8, 2014 at Lowell Elementary, Winfield, KS. Theme is “These Books are Made for Walkin.”

**District III: Karen Dater, Rachel Yoder** (Karen in attendance)

Spring workshop will be held on March 29, 2014 at Hesston High School, Hesston, KS. Theme has not yet been determined.

**District IV: Gail Hughes, Linda Holzer** (Linda in attendance)

Spring workshop will be held March 1, 2014 at Manhattan West High School. Theme is “Keep Calm and Carry On @ Your Library.”

**District V: Julie Tucker, Shelley Baublits** (neither in attendance) See addendum #8.

Spring workshop will be held on March 1, 2014 at Southwestern Heights High School, Kismet, KS. Theme is “Keep Calm and Carry On.”

**District VI: Nancy McFarlan, Jane Burton** (Nancy in attendance)

Spring workshop will be held on March 8, 2014 at Goodland High School. Theme is “Click, Tap, Read.”

*Andrew Smith, Educational Organizations Contact* Not in attendance-no report.

*Diane Leupold/Governmental Affairs*

KLA is no longer sponsoring the luncheons to meet with legislators due to difficulty making arrangements for them to attend. However, they are encouraging larger libraries to host these in their home communities. They are conducting a
letter writing campaign for not cutting the state library budget any more than it already has been; particularly for databases.

Be vocal with your legislators. Let them know your expectations.

**Sheila Blume, Handy 5**  Not in attendance-no report.

**Desiree Moore/Intellectual Freedom**

Desiree is new to the position. She would like to have a place online where people could get support when having a challenge.

**Debbi Maddy, Membership & Professional Partners Program**  Not in attendance-no report.

**Gwen Lehman/Nominating Committee**  See Gwen’s report addendum #2.

**Robin Schrack, Parliamentarian**  Not in attendance-no report.

**Mary Hobson, Professional Excellence**  See addendum #9.

The Founders’ Spring Scholarship was presented to Lindsay Bucy. Applications are due on the 15th of March for AASL National Conference Award. Ruth Garver Gagliardo School Library Scholarship applications are due April 1. KASL Founders Scholarship applications for fall semester are due June 1, for spring semester November 1.

**Ruth McCauley, Promotions**  See addendum #10.

The governor’s office has been sent a request for a proclamation for School Library Media Month. See addendum.

**Debra Kauer, Technology**

Talked about KASL’s FaceBook page which gets a lot of hits. Also DIGO (see KASL website for links)

**Kay Good/Wiki Master**  Not in attendance-no report.

Kay has announced that she will be retiring this position at the end of this school year.

**Barb Bahm, Annual State Conference Futures**

Barb reported that they have not been able to meet yet due to circumstances beyond their control. 2015 KLA is going to Missouri/dual state conference. We will be looking at places. Junction City is a possibility which is being considered. A suggestion came from Karen Dater about the possibility of using a new convention center in Newton. They have received a $700 donation towards the author luncheon for 2014.

**REPORT OF LIASONS:**

**Cindy Pfeiffer, AASL Region IX Director**

Ken Stewart will host a College Readiness Dialogue at the Kaufman Center on April 1.

**Dusti Howell/Michelle Hudiburg, KAECT**  Not in attendance-no report.

It was stated that Michelle has previously stated that they will NOT partner with us in the upcoming conference due to financial reasons.
Diane Leupold shared information from KLA about Common Core and the Kansas College and Career Ready Standards. KLA supports the research and study concepts of the Common Core Standards.

Diane Leupold, KLFA

KLFA was originally formed as an organization to pull all of the educational organizations together. It was apolitical. It has recently become more politically focused and is being more vocal about the things that are going on with KSDE. KASL needs to be apolitical, particularly when posting things on the list serve, etc.

Carmaine showed a video which KLFA created; *Game on for Kansas* on You Tube (see addendum #1-pg.2 for link).

Kathy Frederking/KRA  Not in attendance-see report addendum #11.

Jackie Lakin, KSDE

Jackie reported on the transitional assessments. Smarter Balance assessments were much more costly than anticipated with an ongoing expense rather than a one-time fee. CETE purchased some items from Smarter Balance as well as others. Although many districts have requested “practice items” to prepare for the test, instruction is the best preparation for the assessment rather than “practice items.” There are rumors that other states may be pulling out of the Smarter Balance assessments also.

A meeting was held last April to review professional standards to help develop course content for professional courses. Jackie is looking for applicants to serve on this committee. Standards will go to the state board in 2015.

Summer academy will be very beneficial for school librarians this year.

Carmaine Ternes, L4L (Learning 4 Life)

Carmaine reported that she had attended ALA and AASL webinars. They are working on guidelines. There is growing concern about evaluations and/or appraisals for school librarians. If you have a document in your district, please forward to Carmaine so that she can share those.

Please consider submitting a lesson plan to the AASL lesson plan database and/or find one lesson plan that you can model and share with teachers in your buildings.

Martha House, SLK (State Library of Kansas)

The state library will be dropping Blue Skyways in the future. Martha reminded us of the value of the “Librarians” link and advised that we check it periodically for up-to-date upcoming changes.

Andrew Smith, SLIM@ ESU  Not in attendance-no report.

Mirah Dow, Summer Institute for School Librarians  Not in attendance-no report.

Barb Bahm shared that they are trying to find a speaker to present on “text sets” or paired texts. Author of “Bomb” (on next year’s WAW list) will be a guest author. The dates for the institute will be June 11-12 in Emporia, KS. They are getting organized and working on text complexity; working on a process for transition from “paired texts” to “text sets.”

Bev Buller, William Allen White Book Award  Not in attendance-see report addendum #12.
Sheri Roberts, SLMD

Sheri reported that they changed the dates of meetings to accommodate those who have not been attending. She also shared about technology and standards.

OLD BUSINESS

Council minutes were sent out to the council and approved at the meeting today. Sharon will submit approved minutes to Martha House and Martha will post to the website.

NEW BUSINESS

Diane Leupold moved, Mary Hobson seconded, motion passed to add guidelines to the agenda for new business.

It has been suggested that we have a representative at National Legislative Day in Washington D.C. Diane Leupold suggested that we consider spending some of our contingency money to help support a trip for someone to attend; possibly flight and lodging. There is no registration fee. Discussion followed. Dianne Leupold moved that we find a KASL member to attend the 2014 National Library Legislative Day with the Kansas delegation and pay expenses up to $1200. Cindy Pfeiffer seconded. Cindy recommended that it be a person who is willing to be involved in library advocacy in Kansas. Call for a vote by Carmaine Ternes. Motion passed.

Awards have already been covered by Mary Hobson. If you would like to nominate someone for the KASL Vision Award, send nomination to Carmaine by Feb. 1.

Guidelines: Gwen sent out, via email, the proposed changes to the guidelines. Those in attendance discussed the suggested changes to the guidelines.

Diane Leopold gave a summary of changes suggested by the executive council over lunch. Sharon Parks moved and Ruth McCauley seconded that the budget proposal be approved by council. Motion passed.

Visionary ideas: Carmaine shared that AASL has a toolkit and promotional video available online for marketing advocacy. She and Nancy would like to share this information at district workshops. See addendum #13.

Carmaine asked if there was interest in creating a KASL account on Pinterest and/or creating a QR code that could be attached to correspondence and/or publicity documents. She has created a Smore webflyer to share information on various topics of interest to librarians. She is seeking input from council as to whether or not she should continue with this.

Do we want a Twitter account for KASL? Discussion followed.

At 1:57 p.m. Ruth McCauley moved and Diane Leupold seconded that the meeting adjourn. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 1:57 p.m.

Next council meeting will be held on April 26, 2014. Location will be announced at a later date.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sharon Parks.
Kansas Association of School Librarians
Report to Council

Date: 18 January 2014
Reporter’s Name: Carmaine Ternes - President

1) Is this report information only? YES
   The fall conference boasted over 629 participants and dozens of super sessions
   Does this report require Council action? NO

2) Is this report information only? YES
   Kansas Learning First Alliance - KLFA’s mission is "To unite the education community to improve our
   outstanding public education system, pre-K through higher education, to empower each Kansan to
   succeed in the diverse, interdependent world of the 21st century. Details are available
   @ http://www.klfa.org.
   See attachments
   Does this report require Council action? NO
   It is recommended each member inform someone else or another organization about the purpose of the
   KLFA and its role supporting schools and communities.

3) Is this report information only? YES
   Please attend local legislative coffees or meetings demonstrating support, including the need for
   broadband (high-speed) Internet connections, funding for school libraries, the State Library and for
   statewide databases. Inform others by having your elevators speech prepared.
   See attachments
   Does this report require Council action? NO
   It is suggested that each member inform someone else or another organization to raise awareness about
   legislative issues and decisions.

4) Is this report information only? YES
   How do we educate and assist library media specialists in weaving Common Core College and Career
   Readiness Literacy and Technology Standards with the English Language Learners, Math, Science, and
   Social Studies Standards?
   See attachments
   Does this report require Council action? NO
   It is recommended we continue to post teaching strategies on the KASL listserv and webpage. It is
   important we attend inservices and participate in workshops to continue learning current trends.

5) Is this report information only? YES
   What programs, events, displays, and celebrations are you promoting? What are you doing for Kansas
   Read Week/Month, Digital Learning Day, Read across America Day, or other occasions?
   See attachments
   Does this report require Council action? NO
   Thanks to the librarians who share ideas on the listserv and the webpage!
Kansas Learning First Alliance (KLFA) consists of 34 organizations partnering to keep learning first by leading, transforming, and empowering for success. 

www.klfa.org  
Twitter #klfa13

Date: Thursday, January 9, 2014 & Location: KNEA Topeka

We Tweeted announcements about the Kansas Library Conference and the Declaration for the Right to Libraries and shared handles.

KSDE Assessments – Deputy Commissioner Brad Neuenswander provided an overview of where state assessments have been and the upcoming timeline.  
http://www.ksde.org/

Karen Godfrey shared the KNEA Legislative Agenda 2014 Raise Your Hand brochure http://www.knea.org/

Kansas Legislative Economist Chris W. Courtwright provided a peak inside the Kansas checkbook. This non partisan factual info reviewed past and present tax policies and predicted the implications of the state budget.  
Questions to ask local legislators include:  
What new jobs have been created?  
How will you live up to your Constitutional obligation to fund education?  
What will happen to communities when students do not graduate high school?  

Share the Protect Kansas Schools – Game on for Kansas video  
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4cKyazH2lrM&desktop_uri=%2Fwatch%3Fv%3D4cKyazH2lrM&app=desktop

Graphic organizer discussion: How do we share resources?  
What PSAs can you create and provide your radio community?

KLFA Talking Points http://klfa.org/2013/10/klfa-advocacy-video-talking-points/  
Advocacy Video http://klfa.org/2013/08/please-share-this-klfa-educational-advocacy-video/  
Train the trainer grant supporting common core  
Utilize social media  
Create Radio PSAs with a pneumonic devices that are catchy, musical, and memorable.  
Design a Myth vs Reality spotlight  
Send video links on list serves  
Get testimonials from local community members  
Call to action and direct people to the webpage and videos

The next meeting is scheduled April 9, 2014
Kansas Association of School Librarians

Report to Council

Date: January 18, 2014

Committee/Liaison: Past President

Reporter's Name: Gwen Lehman

1) Is this report information only? YES NO

   If yes, please list the information:

   Year in Review (separate document)

2) Does this report require Council action? YES NO

   What kind of action is needed?

   Voting on the slate of KASL officer nominations for upcoming election

   (motion, committee action, presidential action)

Background information:

Nominating Committee - Amy Brownlee, Vicky Vanbecelaere
President-Elect: We had 9 nominations with 6 nos, 2 no responses and 1 yes.
Treasurer: We had 8 nominations with 6 nos, 1 no response and 1 yes.
Secretary: We did not ask for nominations as Sharon Parks agreed to serve another year.

Nancy and I have starting talking about the idea of a form or survey on the website for individuals to mark their interest in serving as an officer, committee chair or committee member. We have also talked about ways we could promote this form to members. The feeling is this be a tool to help assist the officers and committee chairs in finding individuals to fill vacant positions.

Recommendation: (Please state the motion or action to be made)

I move to accept the following slate of KASL officer nominations for the upcoming 2014-2015 election: Marla Lambert for President-Elect, Brenda Lemon for Treasurer, Sharon Parks for Secretary.
2012-2013 KASL Year in Review
President Gwen Lehman

June
- ALA Annual Conference (Anaheim, CA) - Affiliate Assembly on Friday evening and Sunday morning attended by Carmaine Ternes and Gwen Lehman

August
- Council meeting hosted by Carmaine Ternes at Emporia High School in Emporia, KS
- Attended KLFA meeting in Topeka as a KASL representative

October
Conference held
- Date - October 18 & 19, 2013
- Location - BiCentennial Center, Salina, KS
- Wesley Fryer presented the keynote on Thursday, October
- Guest authors Bruce Hale and Elizabeth Euhlberg presented the luncheon keynote on Thursday and Friday

December
- Attended conference planning meeting in Topeka with the KLA representatives

January
- Council meeting hosted by SCKLS in Hutchinson, KS
- ALA Midwinter Conference (Seattle, WA) - Affiliate Assembly on Saturday morning and Sunday morning attended by Carmaine Ternes and Gwen Lehman

March
- Attended District Workshops in Dodge City and Sterling
- Attended March KLFA meeting in Topeka as a KASL representative

April
- Attended District Workshops in Gardner and Selden
- Council meeting hosted by Amy Brownlee at Sterling Elementary in Sterling, KS
- Introduced state video contest for all school children across the state to advocate for school libraries
- Attended conference planning meeting in Topeka with the KLA representatives
- Attended Kansas Literacy Professionals meeting in Topeka as a KASL representative

May
- Created gmail accounts for all Executive Council officers
- Attended KLFA meeting in Topeka as a KASL representative
It has been a privilege and honor to serve as a leader in KASL over the past three years. Long ago, I had a dream of becoming an officer for KASL, but never imagined that dream would become a reality. When I accepted the nomination to run for President-Elect, I still couldn’t imagine that my dream was about to come true. Over the past three years, I’ve had the pleasure of meeting and working with a wonderful group of people. As a whole, school librarians are the most forward thinking visionaries I’ve met in the field of education. They are creative risk-takers venturing into the unknown. While I hope I’ve given back to the organization through encouragement and leadership, I know I’ve learned much through my experiences. It has been a honor to represent and serve the KASL organization.

Respectfully,

Gwen Lehman
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Sunflower Bank

Conference and Membership Seed Account

Investment Account (Russell Funds through Wells Fargo Advisors)

Ruth Gagliardo Scholarship Fund (CD with Capitol Federal)
Merchandise 2013

- The Primary goal of KASL merchandise is to promote our organization and profession. Secondly, merchandise is sold at minimal costs to profit our organization.
- Over the past six years, we have worked to use the existing merchandise due to decreased sales and then purchase new merchandise that would better appeal to members and increase profits. The council voted to use the existing merchandise as gifts at district workshops, the annual conference, for early membership enrollment and other gifts as needed.
- The annual budget was reduced from $3,000 to $2,000 and then $1,500 to reduce expenditures for KASL.
- New Merchandise Strategy:
  - Utilize existing merchandise for gifts to save KASL funds
  - Publicize merchandise on KASL Website
  - Publicize merchandise at Fall KASL Conference
  - Brainstorm ideas for new merchandise that would appeal to our membership
  - Utilize merchandise as gifts to presenters and other officials to promote our organization and profession.
- Merchandise Gifts for 2013
  - 6 Bags of merchandise worth approximately $75 retail cost each for use at the 6 District Workshops.
  - 7 Flash Drives were used for the District Workshop documents for the District Directors. ($58.03 Total cost)
  - Items worth no more than $5.00 retail cost will be given to members who complete early membership enrollment at the District Workshops.
  - 1 E-Reader Cover for $8.00 was used as a prize at the KASL Conference.
- Merchandise Sales 2013
  - KASL Merchandise sales were $134.50. The sales tax for the merchandise for 2013 = $ 11.50
- Merchandise for District Workshops Spring 2014
  - Packets of KASL Merchandise will be distributed at the January Council Meeting and a challenge to sell the merchandise to workshop participants or purchase items to give as “thank you gifts” for presenters or special guests. The challenge will be given to each District to sell all the items in the bag earning $100 in merchandise sales and spreading our KASL name across the state!
- Fall Conference Vendor Thank you 2013
  - The Assistant Treasurer personally thanked vendors for attending and supporting KASL and school libraries during our annual conference.
  - A list of vendors will be obtained from the Mr. and Mr. Blume, so the companies can be listed on our website as a Thank you for their continued support. This list will be sent to Martha House to post on the webpage.
- KASL Taxes
  - KASL will continue at this time to report sales tax yearly vs. quarterly according to the state. The sales taxes for 2013 are due January 27, 2014.
  - The first year for online tax submission was 2011 and continues to be the reporting method.
  - The sales tax for KASL Merchandise for 2013 totaled $11.50.
Report to Council

Date: _____January 17, 2014____________________

Committee/Liaison: _____Historian____________________________________

Reporter's Name: ____Marla Lambert_____________________________

1) Is this report information only? YES NO

   If yes, please list the information:
   I am currently working on the KASL scrapbook for 2013-2014. I am able to use the same format as the previous year using my digital software and it will be printed by another company since Creative Memories has gone bankrupt and no longer offers that service. So far, KASL Officers and pages of the committees have been completed. I'm currently working on pages over the Fall Conference.
   The 2012-2013 album will be available to view at the meeting.

2) Does this report require Council action? YES NO

   What kind of action is needed? ______________________________
   (motion, committee action, presidential action)

   Background information:

Recommendation: (Please state the motion or action to be made)
District I spring workshop will be held at Emerson Elementary School in Kansas City, KS, on Sat. April 12, 2014. The theme is multicultural “No Boundaries.” Author, David Greenberg, will be speaking for the opening sessions, as well as doing one break out. Lunch is being catered from Oklahoma Joe’s with both BBQ meats and salad options.
Report to Council

Date: ___1-18-2014_____________________

Committee/Liaison: ___District II______________________________________

Reporter’s Name: _______Ruth McCauley_________________________

1) Is this report information only?   YES

If yes, please list the information:

The District II workshop will be held in Winfield March 8th at Lowell Elementary School. We will have a presentation by KASL representative, Beverly Olsen Buller on the William Allen White nominees for 2015, the South Central Kansas Library Services presentation on technology, a “speed dating” exchange of ideas, a book exchange and lunch, business meeting and door prizes.

2) Does this report require Council action?   YES        NO

What kind of action is needed? __________________________

(motion, committee action, presidential action)

Background information:

Recommendation: (Please state the motion or action to be made)
Kansas Association of School Librarians

Report to Council

Date: 18 January 2014

Committee/Liaison: District V Workshop

Reporter's Name: Julie Tucker

1) Is this report information only? YES
   If yes, please list the information:

   District V workshop will be held at Southwestern Heights Junior/Senior High School located on Highway 54 between Plains and Kismet. The workshop will take place on March 1 from 8:30 am – 2:00 pm with the theme “Keep Calm and Read On.” Speakers will include author and ABDO representative Ken Abdo presenting “Integrating Digital into Your Collection”; Janice Scott from the Kansas Heritage Center; Janelle Mercer from SWKLS discussing technology; WAW committee; Sharon Parks discussing her use of WAW, as well as top apps and websites; KASL. Lunch will be catered by Smoke Hoss in Meade.

2) Does this report require Council action? NO
KASL Awards, Grants, and Applications

**President’s Distinguished Library Media Specialist Award**
Due January 1

**Distinguished Library Media Specialist Award**
Due January 1

**AASL Fall Forum Grant Application**
Due Feb 1

**AASL National Conference Award Application**
Due March 15

**Ruth Garver Gagliardo School Library Scholarship**
Due April 1

**KASL Founders Scholarships**
Fall Semester - Due June 1
Spring Semester - Due November 1

Send all inquiries and applications to:
Mary K. Hobson
1932 N.W. Parkway Ct.
Wichita, KS 67212
mhobson@usd266.com

**KASL Vision Award**
Due Feb 1
Send all inquiries and applications to the current president – KASLPresident@gmail.com
Kansas Association of School Librarians

Report to Council

Date: 1-18-2014

Committee/Liaison: Promotions

Reporter’s Name: Ruth McCauley

1) Is this report information only? YES

If yes, please list the information:

The Governor’s office has been sent the School Library Media Month Proclamation for April 2014 as School Library Media Month.
A request was made to attend a signing of the Proclamation in Topeka.
A request was also made to have Mrs. Brownback attend the signing because of her support of reading through the Kansas Book Festival.
Although we did not get an invitation to a signing last year, we usually do but with Gov. Brownback’s office, the invitation has been sent very close to the time of the event.
We usually have the KASL president, state librarian, KNEA representative, Jackie Lakin and myself in attendance.

More updated websites need to be sent to Martha for the webpage – will get this done soon.

2) Does this report require Council action? NO

What kind of action is needed? (motion, committee action, presidential action)

Background information:
Kansas Association of School Librarians

Report to Council

Date: 18 January 2014

Committee/Liaison: Kansas Reading Association

Reporter’s Name: Kathy Frederking

1) Is this report information only? YES
   If yes, please list the information:

   The Bill Martin, Jr. Picture Book award presentation was shared at the KASL conference in Topeka with 30 in attendance. The voting process will be getting underway shortly and will be completed online at the KRA website.

   The KRA conference was hosted in Wichita in October and members felt attendance was pretty good. The meal at the Conference seemed to be the biggest negative issue.

   The first “Book” topic group is going well. Members participating in reading the book will be able to receive college credit from ESU upon completion. The committee is looking at new titles for the next term and I will let you know when the title is selected.

2) Does this report require Council action? NO
Kansas Association of School Librarians

Report to Council

Date: 18 January 2014

Committee/Liaison: William Allen White Children’s Book Awards

Reporter’s Name: Beverley Buller, selection committee chair

1) Is this report information only? YES

If yes, please list the information:

The first round of nominations for the 2015-2016 master lists was due to me on January 15, with over 70 books nominated so far. Round Two will be due April 15, and that will provide the majority of titles which will be considered for the master lists. Members may nominate one new title for the final round, due June 15, and then the selection committee meets in person to select the master lists on September 13. KASL’s representatives on the committee are Mary Butel, Georgia Sweetwood, and Julie Detter (new member). KASL council will need to choose a new rep. for the committee at the August meeting as Georgia is in her third & final year of service.

Voting for the 2013-2014 awards should now open on the program’s website with the deadline of April 15 at 5 p.m. Yolanda Robinson is the new executive secretary for the program, taking Denise Britton’s place. The voting is her first big project for the WAW Awards part of her job. She will get the new master lists up on the website with the bookmarks & PowerPoint in April.

Dr. Sheridan will attend ALA midwinter to distribute packets of information about the award program to publishers. I plan to go next year.

Dr. Sheridan (ESU library dean and WAW program director) and I will be visiting KASL district workshops to discuss the 2014-2015 master lists and any issues. He will be at Districts I and VI while I will be at Districts II and III; we haven’t decided who will be at IV and V, which are the same day.

The 2014 awards celebration will the first Saturday in October on the ESU campus, and we are planning to again have the winning authors at Red Rocks (WAW’s home) for a signing the night before as we did the past two Octobers.

2) Does this report require Council action? NO
American Association of School Librarians (AASL) [http://national.aasl.org/]
Rising to the Challenge National Conference November 12-17, 2014
http://issuu.com/markisan/docs/aasl13_program_flip?e=3075883/5432495

The Mystic Seaport Village and Museum of America and the Sea tour provided a taste of historic New England life. The library and reading room welcomed readers across the globe. [http://www.mysticseaport.org/]

The University of Connecticut main library tour presented unique tutoring and learning stations. Each floor and section is designated for a certain noise level, group project, or system of support. [http://lib.uconn.edu/]

Tony recommended reinventing schools and reimagining the challenge of your job. Since jobs are transforming, knowledge is a commodity. What can we do with what we know? How do we train students to want to learn what is important? What skills will be essential for life-long learning? Employers are searching for creative problem solvers. Are we part of the problem or part of the solution? Why do a growing number of students prefer Google to school? How can we be powerful leaders? Tony’s Seven Survival Skills answer these questions. Education is about asking the right questions. Why is innovation so important? [http://creatinginnovators.com/]

Why does Google offer its employees a 20% rule (one-fifth of work time is spent playing, creating, dreaming)?

IDEA - XCHANGE - [http://national.aasl.org/ideaxchange]
Angelyne Collins – Collaborating with Secondary Teachers to Create an Online Student Lounge to Support Classroom Instruction – Students and teachers become interactive bloggers, facilitate learning, and create informal assessments. [http://www.alan-ya.org/profiles/profile/apps?screenName=2hb2lg81e5tnq]

& [http://www.commoncoreconversation.com/#shash.uzYqtlN1.dpbs]
& [https://todaysmeet.com/]
Teaching Text Features [https://www.lernerbooks.com/pages/teaching-text-features.aspx]
VocabGrabber [http://www.visualthesaurus.com/vocabgrabber/]
LibGuide Living doc k-12 [http://nycdoe.libguides.com/IFC]
Essay Tagger [http://www.essaytagger.com/commoncore]

AASL Toolkit [http://www.ala.org/aasl/advocacy/tools/toolkits/parent-advocate]
Check the AASL website for the parent toolkit and other advocacy presentations [http://www.ala.org/aasl/standards-guidelines/best-websites/2013]

Presenting Social Issues in Teen Literature - Authors included:
David Levithan - Two Boys Kissing & Boy Meets Boy – his books allow readers to see into the lives of other people. When a book is an informative window, it speaks volumes. [http://www.davidlevithan.com/]
Patricia McCormick - Never Fall Down is the story of a boy who survived Cambodia genocide by playing music. Her research is a scaffolding that leads to surprises. Her book is not intended to be sad but to break
isolation, shame, and shyness. “Books must have a deep and moral intention that percolates.” She interviewed Malaha, a young woman targeted by the Taliban, who is isolated with such a sense of vision for her cause. http://www.goodreads.com/author/show/26250.Patricia_McCormick

Lyn Miller Lackman wrote Rouge, a story about a character who fights to find a place in the world. She researched in Madison, WI, about Chili, and visited and interviewed Chileans to create a novel that is honest and intense. As a child, the author was bullied and felt isolated. As an adult, she was diagnosed with Asperger’s syndrome which explained some difficult childhood experiences. http://www.lynmillerlachmann.com/

Eliot Schrefer wrote Endangered and books about apes and conservation. This story of an indentured servant took six months of primary research before he actually visited the Congo. Reading about a conflict in Congo may be considered violent, when it is historical and realistic. The issue of rape in the Congo with character Sophie instills a sense of fear in the reader. The author supports a nonprofit called Coins for Congo. http://www.eliotschrefer.com/

Shelly Buchmann, Maureen Milton, and Heather Paulsen – Game On: Using the Latest and Greatest to Entice Patrons and Promote Literacy – Learn how to implement gaming for education and entertainment. Use interactive surveys and games to entice students to your library. http://www.slideshare.net/hweimar/game-on-aasl-2013


Frances Harris & Megan Cusick - Confronting the Elephant in the Room: Social Media Policies Guidelines for a 21st Century School – There is a need for digital responsibility. AASLsocialmediapolicies.wikispaces.com

Train teachers and students how to use social media in small groups. Include parents in the digital classroom.

OverDrive – Learn the features of eBooks and the grants available. Training and resources were demonstrated. Online tutorials are available. http://www.overdrive.com/

Angie Smith – The Leadership Potential of School Librarians - Exploring Perceptions - Librarians as Educational Leader & Collaborator Research has proven librarians are leaders. What is my role? Batgirl was a librarian by day and active rescuer by night. http://www.ala.org/transforminglibraries/library-leadership-management-0


Follow her reviews and lib guides on GoodReads

Reading non fiction is considered reading. Do you have a culture of reading?

A trained librarian is a powerful search engine with a heart.

Pinterest display ideas & put your facein aook - sign book title, author, and student recommendation. Build a bonfire in the library with paper flames for banned books week.

Rate the book or the movie - use a row of stickers thumbs up or thumbs down stickers

Display a baby picture by their favorite book (administration contest)

Create a Redbox that is a read box - use for a Halloween costume or display in the entry or a school hallway.

Books for rent - make a spectacle

FictFact Series webpage

DEAR - drop everything and read

http://padlet.com/

Paige Jaeger - Repackaging Research Activities to Meet the CCSS – Rising above the Status Quo- Incorporate the 5Rs: Rigor, Relevance, Research, Resources, Reporting knowledge -The model for the factory workers does not work for schools today.
Millennials can access anything anytime, but can they analyze? Synthesize?
If your answer can be answered on Google, is it void of higher level thought? Is it merely fact fetching? What do you want to do with your facts?
Correct use of technology is essential, and it is useless without information. The Intel Teach program has trained ten million teachers worldwide from other counties to lead and participate in a global economy. These students are not creating travel brochures, they are solving real world issues or problems. Give the student a purpose to read.
Use the cost of printing a penny is two cents example.
Take sample questions from Odell Education http://www.education.com/
Barbara Stripling's model WISE: Wonder, Investigate, Synthesize, and Express

Deb Svec - Amp up the CCSS ELA through Highly Engaging Academic Gaming
This beautiful Palm Beach Gardens High School has the lowest SES in the state with 77% of the students on free/reduced lunch and is next to an amazing golf course, a very diverse community. Deb shared a Jeopardy style game show, scaffolding common core, and discussion based with evidence. Her read along includes underlining the words you don't know to support the text. She believes disruptive innovation is the best way for students to learn and retain knowledge.
Cranium Core reading methodology Craniumcore.com

Donna James, Jim Stenehjem, and Konnie Wightman - Principal-Librarian-Teacher Teams Who Really Collaborate to Meet Standards
Presenters shared successful development of collaborative efforts partnering with the 21st Century Skills’ framework. IMLS grant info to train educators.

Avoid email pitfalls and spend your time wisely. With so much information to read and juggle, handle info once and carefully to save time and improve organization. A comical approach to organization, Bregman works from the premise that the best way to combat constant and distracting interruptions is to create productive distractions of one's own. Based upon a series of short bite-sized chapters, his approach allows us to safely navigate through the constant chatter of emails, text messages, phone calls, and endless meetings that prevent us from focusing our time on those things that are truly important to us.

Conference Concluding Comments

Yale University Campus Tour – Similar to the campus architecture, the main law library was decorated with figurines, statues, brick, and iron. The heavy wooden furniture and shelving adorned the spacious area reminiscent of a traditional library with a few technology touches. http://web.library.yale.edu/

The generous vendors provided amazing demonstrations including assorted tech trends.