



New Mexico Consortium of Academic Libraries

NMCAL Legislative Committee Progress Report

Presented to the NMCAL Membership

August 8, 2011

May 20, 2011 – NMLA Meeting on 2012 GO Library Bond – Albuquerque, NM.

Discussions on the initiatives we need to work on for the 2012 GO Library Bond. Key individuals we need to contact and work with.

June 09, 2011 – NMLA Legislative Committee Meeting – Albuquerque, NM.

Continued discussions on the initiatives we need to work on for the 2012 GO Library Bond. Key individuals we need to contact and work with.

June 17, 2011 – NMCAL Legislative Committee Meeting - Albuquerque, NM.

Discussions on;

- We need to work on and/or review rationale(s) for justifying to the LFC a process for requesting Library GO Bond academic library needs. Examples are: student enrollment cost of materials, gate counts, separate numbers for community and school patrons.
- Results on how academic libraries are spending Library GO Bonds funds.
- Isabel's discussion with HED personnel on academic library GO Bond distribution formula.
- Start scheduling appointments with key personnel regarding our push for the 2012 GO Bond.
- Joint NM Library GO Meetings with Secretary Veronica Gonzales, Department of Cultural Affairs and Linda Kehoe, Principal Analyst, LFC June 20th.
- Recommend an influential individual regarding library funding to the NMCAL Executive Board. They wish to have a one hour presentation at the NMCAL Directors Retreat in Santa Fe, NM, August 8-9, 2011, i.e. Legislator, Lobbyist, LFC representative.

***June 20, 2011 – Meeting with Veronica Gonzales, Secretary of Cultural Affairs
- Santa Fe, NM.***

NMLA selected delegates met with Cabinet Secretary Veronica Gonzales, Department of Cultural Affairs. She is on board with us and if she cannot attend the meeting in Red River she will let Linda Kehoe know that she supports it.

June 20, 2011 – Meeting with Linda Kehoe, LFC Principal Analyst - Santa Fe, NM.

Linda Kehoe yesterday will be giving us 15 to 20 minutes of her time at 3:00pm at the August 17th LFC meeting in Red River. She requested that we have one spokesperson that will give a presentation that includes; NMLA Membership (Public, Academic, School and Tribal libraries), history of NMLA, purpose for requesting consideration (How it has helped these entities), allocation – By public library, academic library and by school district, and 2008 and 2010 allocations. Linda will prepare a brief or bullet sheet from the above information for committee.

June 24, 2011 – Meeting with David Hadwiger, HED Institutional Finance and Capital Projects Division Director - Santa Fe, NM.

We discussed the GO bond distribution formula and thoughts on how to spend the 2010 GO Bond funds.

July 14, 2011 – 2012 GO Legislative Committee Meeting - Bernalillo, NM.

Digested the meetings we have attended with key individuals for the 2012 Library GO Bond process. We also talked about the LFC meeting to be held August 17th at Red River. All librarians need to get involved in contacting there legislators, especially those serving on the LFC.