

KLA Past President Report to the Board October 1, 2008

Since our last Board meeting, I have continued my work on the 2008 conference planning committee, specifically in the health track program areas and the Health Literacy preconference. I have thoroughly enjoyed working with Debbe, Tom and the whole planning crew this year, but I must say I thought last week's conference bag stuffing party was the best ever!

Also, this month I conducted an evaluation of the Executive Secretary. An evaluation form was sent to all 10 voting members of the Board, plus the editors of *Kentucky Libraries* and *Infocus*. A summary of the evaluations will be presented at today's Board Meeting, followed by a vote on the annual renewal of our contract with Association Professionals.

In late September, I was approached by a group of librarians from the University of Kentucky who are interested in starting a new KLA Round Table focused on disaster preparedness. I advised them to send an announcement to the KLA list-serv (which they did on September 26). Dee Wood is also going to make an announcement at Friday's KLA General Membership Business Meeting about the potential new Round Table and will be collecting signatures of those interested. According to the Blue Book, section 27.2.1, in order to create a new Round Table, the requesting group needs to have a statement of purpose and signatures of 15 KLA members willing to join the new group. They can then petition the KLA Board with that information. Their primary focus is to create a cooperative of all types of libraries that would improve disaster preparedness among its members by discussing the issues, creating an online resource, and creating a support mechanism.

Respectfully submitted,

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