

Washington Preservation Initiative
Advisory Group Minutes
July 26, 2005, Conference Call

Present: Gary Menges, UW Libraries, Chair
Gudrun Aurand, WSU
Lee Dirks, Microsoft
Eric Palo, Renton Technical College
Linda Pierce, Gonzaga University
Kathryn Hamilton Wang, WSL
Susan Barrett (WSL Project Manager)

Absent: Jill Bourne, Seattle Public Library

2005 WPI Grant Cycle

Recipients of the regular preservation grants have been selected and have received announcement letters. A list will soon be added to the website. See http://www.secstate.wa.gov/library/libraries/grants/pdf/2005_WP_Grants_Abstracts.pdf.

RFQQ Library Preservation Needs Assessments

After a review process, a contractor has been hired—Tom Claeson of OCLC, and three assessment grants have been awarded, to Everett Public Library, Mount Vernon Public Library, and Ritzville Public Library.
http://www.secstate.wa.gov/library/libraries/grants/pdf/2005_WPA_Grants.pdf

Binding Workshops

Commercial Library Binding workshops will be held on August 9 in Seattle and August 11 in Cheney, under contract with Solinet, subcontracting with Patricia Selinger of Virginia Commonwealth University because of staffing transitions at Solinet.

Salvage Wheels

One hundred emergency response and salvage wheels will be purchased from the Heritage Emergency National Task Force for distribution to Washington libraries. More may be ordered later if demand is sufficient.

Alliance for Response/Heritage Preservation

Gary has been invited to an expenses-paid planning meeting in Washington D.C. on Sept. 15, to discuss a likely spring meeting here. Costs for this effort to begin planning a state emergency response network are largely being underwritten by Fidelity Insurance Co. Washington will be one of three targeted states for 2006; the others are Illinois, and

Georgia. Staff from the regional conservation centers and OCLC who participated in last year's forums are also being invited.

Next Meeting

Conference call Oct. 11, 2005, at 3 pm.