

AkLA-J meeting minutes  
11/22/2000  
Alaska State Library

Call to order: AkLA-J President Elise Tomlinson called the meeting to order at 12:10pm.

Present: Elise Tomlinson, Freya Anderson, Tahitia Orr, Karen Crane, Jim Simard, Daniel Cornwall, Rebecca Moorman, Lynn Shepherd, and BJ Gardner.

Treasurer's report: There was none.

Old business: There was no old business to discuss.

New business:

AkLA-J Website Proposal.

Elise reported that a proposed AkLA-J website is up on the AkLA website. The AkLA webmaster is figuring out the payment system for the hosting of our website. Elise is asking for feedback on the webpage she's created for AkLA-J. She showed the webpage at the meeting and it was met with general acclaim.

If anyone has photos of their library or people working within their library, she can place them on the webpage. Her plan is to post handouts, minutes from past meetings and agendas of upcoming meetings on the page.

Nominations and Election of new AkLA-J officers.

Elise reminded us that nominations for new officers need to be made by December's AkLA-J meeting. Nominations need to be made for the offices of Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. Nominations can be made via e-mail to Elise at [elise.tomlinson@uas.alaska.edu](mailto:elise.tomlinson@uas.alaska.edu) by the 6<sup>th</sup> of December. Elise will e-mail out a slate of candidates the 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> of December. Voting can be done either by e-mailing Elise at [elise.tomlinson@uas.alaska.edu](mailto:elise.tomlinson@uas.alaska.edu) by 5:00pm on the 13<sup>th</sup> of December or at the AkLA-J meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup> of December.

Elise will contact Paula Johnson to find out if she is interested in running for the post of Treasurer again.

There was discussion about adding the office of Vice-Chair to help the Chair with projects and generally share the workload. There were reservations about the likelihood of getting someone to run for the position. Also there was a

general feeling that it is easier to get volunteers to work on a specific project for a given amount of time than getting someone to volunteer for a year of unspecified project work. It was agreed that the Chair should feel comfortable asking for volunteers to work on projects and not to take on the entire workload.

Several people said that it would be easier to plan to volunteer if there was a general sense of what we were going to be working on in a given year.

### Training

Elise gave a quick workshop on "Searching the Internet" with a focus on how to teach people to evaluate resources and use good searching strategies.

Next Meeting: The next AkLA-J meeting was set for December 13, 2000 at 5:15pm at the University of Southeast Alaska Library. We will be voting for next year's AkLA-J officers at this meeting.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 1:02pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tahitia Orr  
AkLA-J Secretary