

Because MLA has ambitions to capitalize on its recent growth and financial stability in the next several years, it is desirable that individual Board members be well-rounded, possessing some of the following leadership traits or skills: big picture focus/global outlook; change agent; ability to present, persuade and influence; ability to implement a strategic plan; development/fundraising.

Expertise/Interests/Skills Nominee Can Bring to the Board as Described Above:

Successfully completed the Orion Township Public Library 2014-2017 strategic plan, which included interior space renovations, also created a new 2018-2020 strategic plan, presented in many capacities (see below for some library-specific presentations) and written a number of library-specific articles/chapters/book.

Brief Summary of Professional Experience:

Director, Orion Township Public Library, February 2012 - present
Associate Director, Rochester Hills Public Library, January 2009 - January 2012
IT Manager, Rochester Hills Public Library, November 2005 - January 2012
Department Head of Systems and Technology, Novi Public Library, July 2000 - November 2005

Service to the Michigan Library Association:

Michigan Library Association, Board Member, July 2018 - present
Michigan Library Association, January 2002 - present, Member
Nominating Committee member 2016 Management and Administration Division - Board Chair-elect
2007-2008 Leadership Academy alumna 2005-2006
Library Technology Division - Board Member-at-Large 2002-2004

Service to the Profession Outside of MLA:

Member of the Polaris (now Innovative) Users Group, April 2006 – present Chair, 2010, Chair-elect, 2009
Member of the American Library Association, April 2001 - present
Member of the Public Library Association, April 2001 - present

Presentations:

Michigan Small and Rural Libraries Conference, May 2016 “Partners in Your Community”
The Library Network Technology Forum, October 2014 “Technology That Attracts Attention”
The Library Network Technology Forum, September 2012 “What Do We Learn and Implement Next?”
Wayne State University library school students, March 2012 “Managing Library Technology”
Internet Librarian Pre-conference, October 2011 “Implementing Technology Solutions in Libraries”
Polaris Users Group Annual Conference, October 2011 “Implementing Technology Solutions in Libraries” “RHPL goes mobile!”
Public Library Association Pre-conference, March 2010 “Going Green at the Circulation Desk”

Publications:

Running a Small Library, 2015, published by the American Library Association and edited by John A. Moorman, “Part V: Computers and Automation; Personal Computers and In-House Networks, Integrated Library Systems”

Customer Service in Libraries, 2013, published by Scarecrow Press, Inc. and edited by Charles Harmon and Michael Messina, "Technically Speaking: Technology Planning as the Backbone of Good Customer Service" Information Today, 2012, published by Information Today, Inc., "Tools of the Trade" column in the monthly publication
Implementing Technology Solutions in Libraries, February 2011, published by Information Today, Inc.

Service to Non-Profit Organizations/Community Outside of the Library World:

Orion Area Chamber of Commerce, member 2012 - present

General Federation of Women's Clubs - Lake Orion, member 2012 - present

Michigan Humane Society, volunteer 2012 - present

Other Board(s) and/or Committee(s) on which you are currently serving:

MLA Board Member, Member-at-Large, 2018-2019