ALA Midwinter Conference 2009

CJCLS Membership/Communications Meeting Minutes

January 25, 2009

Attendance: Liz Barksdale, Mary Mayer-Hennelly, Eva Lautemann (Chair), Stacey Nickell, Nan Schichtel, Ellen Sutton.

Much of the conversation revolved around the topic of how to engage more of our membership in participating in our section in terms of committees and by participating virtually on various topics.

Ellen reported that she sees the Newsletter as an important part of our communication, but has always wanted to try to compile information of interest to the membership perhaps on our web page or through the use of a Wiki. Everyone agreed that the use of the CJCLS list is an excellent communication tool, but not everyone is subscribed and many members probably don't post questions.

The conversation then turned to the idea of having a blog to perhaps entice younger members and also as another forum for communication. Liz graciously agreed to begin exploring setting up this blog and see how effective it will be. All members thought this would be a great idea and already had ideas of items to post to the blog.