

Public Services Section

Goal 1: Recruitment, Membership and Leadership in the Profession

The Public Services Section supported and participated in the Section Shuffle. All new members received a welcome letter via email from the chair and membership secretary.

One of our members has volunteered to create a brochure for the Section and we will also be redesigning our web page before the annual meeting. The Section's procedure manual will also undergo a review and a possible move to an electronic format such as a wiki.

This is a rebuilding year for the Section.

Goal 2: Life Long Learning

The Public Services Section is co-sponsoring two programs for MLA 2011. We are the primary sponsor on Rethinking Assessment. We are a co-sponsor of Re-Thinking Libraries in Hard Times.

Brainstorming for possible programming took place at the PSS business meeting in May. We also discussed our former use of discussion groups and might consider trying to activate these again.

Goal 3: Advocacy

The chair has appointed a liaison to MLA Government Relations Committee.

Goal 4: Creating and Communicating Our Knowledge

The Public Services Section moderates the Expert Searching Listserv and the PSS listserv. Stewart Brower is exploring options for the Section to digitize the back issues of our newsletter.

MOTION

This report is informational and requires no action by the Board of Directors.

Submitted by Mary Markland, Chair