

SERVICES COMMITTEE

February 8, 2006

PRESENT: Erin Apostol, Brian Hartson, Robert Jaquay, Lou Anne Lundgren

EXCUSED: Lois Prenovost

UHLS Staff: Philip Ritter, Heidi Fuge

I. PROGRAM OF THE YEAR AWARD

Committee members reviewed the draft memo and criteria for the 2005 Program of the Year Award. There were no changes and it was approved for sending to the libraries.

II. WILLIAM MEREDITH ADVOCATE OF THE YEAR AWARD

Extensive discussion about the criteria and description of this Award. Committee members felt that there needed to be a better explanation of the Award.

Consensus on the following wording:

William Meredith Advocate of the Year Award

This award honors an individual who has made an extraordinary contribution to advocacy at the local, state or national level on behalf of public libraries. In order to be eligible for this award, the nominee must have had a significant influence on the attitudes of the community, public officials, and others, who are in positions to support public libraries, and this influence should be documented in the nomination narrative.

Each member library may submit one nomination, therefore we suggest that Board Presidents and Directors confer on nominees. A description of the individual being nominated should be submitted on your library's letterhead and be accompanied by supporting materials. Please be sure that the letter is signed by the nominator.

The UHLS Services Committee will review the nominations and select the award recipient. **Trustees and staff from the UHLS member libraries are not eligible for this award.**

The award winner will be announced at the May 10th UHLS Board meeting and the award will be presented at the UHLS Annual Meeting on June 14, 2006.

Deadline for nominations is Monday, March 27, 2006 at 5:00 PM.

Heidi A. Fuge
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