



NMCAL Legislative Committee Progress Report Presented to the NMCAL Membership October 23, 2014

The NMCAL Legislative Committee met in Albuquerque on September 19, 2014. We reviewed and modified the Committee's power point presentation used at the NMCAL Directors retreat in Ruidoso, NM, so that it could be tailored for everyone's needs. In addition, we reviewed the legislative link on the NMCAL webpage. Changes were sent to Carol Boyce at NMSU to update the information. Those changes have been made and are available on our website, <http://lib.nmsu.edu/nmcald/>.

On September 29, 2014 a global e-mail was sent out to the NMCAL group reflecting the Committee's changes on the NMCAL webpage. The changes made should help provide information to advocate the 2014 Library GO Bond initiative.

FYI. The New Mexico Library Association Legislation Committee met with Representative-elect Deborah Armstrong from Albuquerque on September 16, 2014. The NMLA Committee was asked to get information to sponsor a bill during the 2015 Legislative Session, for a Governor's Conference on Libraries. The Conference's purpose would be to develop a strategic, uniform direction for library services in New Mexico. The last conference of this type was held February 17-19, 1991.

The 2015 Library Legislative Day is scheduled for Thursday, February 5, 2015.

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IMPORTANT VOTING DATES:

- ✓ Absentee voting started October 7, 2014.
- ✓ Early in-person voting began on October 18 and will continue till November 1, 2014.
- ✓ Election Day is **NOVEMBER 4, 2014.**