

2015 Western Conference Agenda
“The Search for the Truth: A Focus on NLS Standards and Guidelines”

May 12-14, 2015
California Braille & Talking Book Library
914 Capitol Mall, 5th Floor
**** Sacramento, CA ****

Tuesday, May 12:

- 10 am-4 pm: Registration
- 10:30-11:30 am: Optional Tour of Library & Courts Building, led by CSL docents (Meet in vestibule of Library & Courts I Building, 914 Capitol Mall)
- 11:30 am-12:30 pm: Opening lunch provided
- 12:30 pm: **Welcome:** State Librarian of California Greg Lucas
 - **Roll call of states**
- 1:00-2:00 pm: **Keynote address: John Armato * Think Inside the Box**
- 2:00-3:15 pm: **NLS Update:** Pam Davenport, Western Regional Consultant & others
- 3:15-3:45 pm: Break/networking
- 3:45-5:00 pm: **Public Education & Outreach: What the heck is that?** A working session to review PE&O; integrate ideas from the keynote session & how to work with NLS’s communications plan.
- 5:00 pm: adjourn
- Dinner on own

Wednesday, May 13th:

- 8-8:30 am: Breakfast (hot, includes eggs)
- 8:30-9:30 am: **KLAS or READS** user meetings
- 9:30-10:30 am: **Recording Locally with Hindenburg: Reducing the Technical Divide**
- 10:30-11:00 am: Break/networking
- 11:00-Noon: **Tour CA BTBL** CSL Annex, first floor, 900 N Street (across the street from Library & Courts Building)
- Noon-12:30 pm: Optional Viewing of California History section treasures from the Vault, California History Reading Room, CSL Annex, second floor

Wednesday, May 13th (cont'd):

- Noon-1:00 pm: Lunch provided with Roundtable discussions (topics suggested by participants)
- 1:00-1:30 pm: **Newsline** update: Scott White, National Federation of the Blind
- 1:30-2:45 pm: **The Goldilocks of Staffing Levels: what is just right?** Led by Danielle Miller.
- 2:45- 3:00 pm: Break
- 3:00 pm: **Leave for tour**– a leisurely walk of 1 mile about 25 minutes – there will also be bus transport
- 3:30 pm: **Optional** tour of **California Railroad Museum** <http://www.csrmf.org/>
- 5:30 pm: **KLAS dinner/reception** at **Ten22** in Old Sacramento - 2 blocks from RR Museum <http://www.ten22oldsac.com/> Bus will be available until 9 pm for transport back to hotel

Thursday, May 14th:

- 8-8:30 am: Breakfast (hot, includes eggs)
- 8:30-9:30 am: **Non-rated Books** – Can we or should we develop a process to collaborate on rating these books?
- 9:30-10:30 am: **Western Conference Business meeting**
- 10:30-10:45 am: Break/networking
- 10:45 am-Noon: **Standards & Guidelines** – discussion and suggestions for the upcoming revision process – suggestions for our representative. Led by Mike Marlin.
- Noon: adjourn

Location: The conference will be held in the California State Library & Courts Building I (LC I), Room 500 on the fifth floor at 914 Capitol Mall, Sacramento, CA 95814. LC I is across the street from BTBL's location at the California State Library Annex at 900 N Street. The front entrance to LC I is on a plaza along Capitol Mall between 9th and 10th Streets. All entrants to LC I must pass through a security check.

Remote Participation: A telephone conferencing phone number will be available to NLS network library staff from around the country who would like to listen in to (as well as ask questions of) some or all sessions of the 2015 NLS Western Regional Conference in Sacramento. The toll free call-in information will be provided shortly before the May 12 conference start date.