



From the President's Desk



Terri Winchcombe Summer 2025

Dear APLA Members,

I officially began my term as President in June 2025 during our OGM at the APLA Conference, and I want to thank you all for the warm welcome — it really means a great deal. A huge thank you to the 2025 Conference Planning Committee for organizing such a well-run and inspiring event centered on the theme Breaking Barriers. Special appreciation goes to **Evelyn Trainer**, **Katie McCaskill**, **Lisa Marshall**, **Jason Lee**, and **Hailey Wills** — your dedication and teamwork were outstanding!

Looking ahead, planning for the 2026 APLA Virtual Conference will begin shortly. If you're interested in joining the planning committee, please don't hesitate to reach out — many hands make light work, and your involvement would be most welcome.

I'd also like to extend sincere thanks to **Emily Blackmore**, our outgoing President, who now moves into the role of Past President. I'm delighted to welcome **Lisa Marshall** as our new Vice President-President-Elect. Lisa brings a wealth of experience from her role as User Services Librarian at the College of the North Atlantic in Newfoundland and Labrador.

Our executive team is almost complete, we are currently seeking a Communications Coordinator and VP NB. If you're interested in getting involved, I'd love to hear from you.

Over the coming months, the Executive will focus on three key areas: Reinvigorating our membership, celebrating excellence: awards and recognition, and strengthening our voice and vision. If you have ideas, feedback, or an interest in supporting these initiatives, please reach out.

Warm regards,

Terri Winchcombe

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