

**International Association for Learning Alternatives
Annual Meeting
Shilo Inn Conference Center, Ocean Shores, WA
June 30, 2006
Minutes**

1. Chair, Wayne Jennings called the annual meeting to order at 12:40 p.m. Approximately 40 people were in attendance.
2. The minutes for the April 8, 2005 Annual Meeting were approved.
3. Treasurer's report: Dan Daly. Current balance: \$37,360.99. 2006 Budget: \$29,895.
 - IALA purposely been in a maintenance mode for past 3 years to maintain basic services and build capital for paid staff, fundraising and focused initiatives.
 - Spent approximately \$5100 of \$21,400 budget in 2005, and \$2100 to date of \$29,895 budget in 2006.
4. Board Report: Ray Morley, Vice-Chair
 - The 2007 Conference, "Back to Our Roots" is scheduled for June 20 – 22 at Villanova University in Philadelphia, PA.
 - The board is considering a refocused agenda, including a leadership forum at the conference for leaders from state and national organizations promoting progressive educational choices.
 - The board will reconvene at 4:30 and welcomes input from membership.
5. Representative Assembly: This is a group of state association leaders meant to serve in an advisory capacity to the board that has been largely inactive the past four years. A small group met earlier and the board invited participation by those in attendance. Suggestions for IALA program of work included:
 - Influence Federal NCLB legislation and policy to include alternative assessments for students and alternative methods for teachers to attain highly qualified status.
 - Vehicle to share information and successes among states, including a listing of choice option contacts and resources by state. (similar to "Patterns" publication)
 - Connect and ally with other organizations.
 - Promote an alternative teacher license.
 - Become more politically active.
 - Establish quality indicators for alternatives.
6. Old Business: None
7. New Business: None
8. The meeting was adjourned at 1:35 p.m.