

2025 WYLD Governing Board Elections

Vice-President/President-Elect (1 position)

Vice-President/President-Elect – Michelle Humber



Michelle Humber is entering her third year as Executive Director of the Sublette County Libraries and has worked in that system for fifteen years. She has been WLA's YSIG incoming leader and leader and is a WLLI graduate. She just completed Leadership Wyoming class of 2025 and is excited at the possibility of being on the WYLD Governing Board. She enjoys reading (duh), singing, songwriting, guitar playing, backpacking, and biking in her free time.

Governing Board Representatives (1 position)

K12/Special Library Representative – Nathan Bender



Nathan E. Bender, M.A., M.L.S., is a special collections librarian/archivist currently providing reference services at the McCracken Research Library, Buffalo Bill Center of the West, Cody, Wyoming. He has formerly served as curator at the University of Idaho, Montana State University, West Virginia University, and the McCracken Research Library (1998-2005), and worked as a librarian at the University of Oklahoma, and the Albany County Public Library. He has served on various professional library/archival committees, including the Wyoming, Montana, and West Virginia SHRAB committees of the NHPRC, and as a member of the Council of State Archivists (COSA) as Wyoming Deputy Coordinator; Steering Committee for Native American Archives Roundtable, SAA; ALA Office of Literacy and Outreach Services Subcommittee on Library Services to American Indians; the Wyoming Center for the Book *Letter's About Literature* youth writing competition; and as a judge for *Wyoming History Day* student projects. He has authored numerous peer-reviewed articles, book reviews, and book chapters on western history/folklore and firearms history, including the book *The Art of the English Trade Gun in North America*. He is currently on the editorial board of *The Rocky Mountain Fur Trade Journal*.

Governing Board Members-At-Large (1 position)

Member-At-Large – Anita Marple



Anita has served in the Fremont County Library System for 14 years, beginning as a part-time Library Assistant in the Children's Department. After earning the Library Support Staff Certification through ALA, she became the Lander Manager. In 2021, she accepted the Library Director position. In 2024, she completed a Master's degree in business leadership. Being part of the amazing Wyoming library community has encouraged her both in learning the profession and in working alongside other like-minded people who are committed to delivering excellent library service to

everyone in Wyoming. She believes serving on the WYLD Governing Board is an opportunity to give back and participate in the continued success of all Wyoming libraries.