

Student Affairs Committee  
By Deborah K. McLaughlin, Chair

This year the Student Affairs Committee was broken down into subcommittees. Thanks, Joanne Martin, for such a great idea! It has been a success!

The Student Field Trip Committee sponsored a field trip on April 14, 2011 to the St. Louis Federal Courthouse in downtown St. Louis. The field trip was very successful. Please see articles in Progress written by three students for further information on the day.

Rhonda Laurentius has chaired the Student Mentoring Committee. Rhonda has been working to match students with working reporters for mentoring. If you are interested, we need you, so please contact Rhonda at [rhonda.laurentius@courts.mo.gov](mailto:rhonda.laurentius@courts.mo.gov).

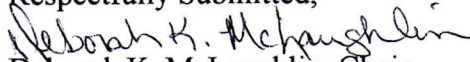
I participated in a number of IRT get-togethers at Meramec Community College. Dr. Ziegler has these get-togethers once a month. She has various speakers talk to the students about various topics. Joanne Martin and I went to the most recent get-together to invite the students to the conference.

Patricia Manners, official court reporter in Kansas City, has donated \$500.00 to be used for students at the conference. This has helped pay the cost of each student's registration fee. Thanks, Patricia, for allowing the students the opportunity to attend the conference!

The Convention Program subcommittee has planned a great day for the students attending the conference. I think the students will appreciate the hard work these reporters have dedicated to plan a very informative day for them at the conference.

We also had a Student Liaison subcommittee. We involved a number of students to help us be better informed on what the students desired from MCRA.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Deborah K. McLaughlin, Chair