2009 ALSS HISTORY

Location:	Marriott Courtyard Hotel Conference Cruise Miami FL	Date: March 19-23	
Staff:	*Executive Director*	Ross Stueber	
	Administrative Assistant	Terry Krueger	
Board Members:	*Chairperson*	Mark Bahr	Oconomowoc WI
	Secretary/Treasurer	Sarah Heislen	Las Vegas NV
	Members-at-Large	Nate Kretzmann	Glendale AZ
		Joel Bode	Tomball TX
		Craig Swanson	Carrollton TX
		David Hahn	Brookville NY
		Tim Hipenbecker	St Louis MO

ALSS members gathered at the Marriott Courtyard Hotel 66th Annual ALSS conference**.** There were 253 registered participants in the ALSS events. The number of ALSS member Administrators was 52. Seven Honorary Lifetime Members also attended the conference. We were joined by College, University and Synodical Representatives, friends and families.

Rev. David Buegler led the Opening Devotion and conducted Sunday's worship.

The Keynote speakers were Dr. Micah Parker, Founder of TrustGuy Ministries and Headmaster of Lutheran South Academy in Houston Texas and Dr. Jeff Myers, Founder of Passing The Baton. Dr. Parker spoke about putting your trust in God. Dr. Myers spoke about preparing future leaders.

A welcome reception sponsored my Carnival Cruise Line was held Thursday night. The Awards reception held Sunday evening was sponsored by Concordia University Wisconsin.

Craig Swanson completed his term of office as a Member of the Board of Directors of ALSS. Nate Kretzmann stepped down as a board member. Mark Bahr filled in for Nate.

Charles Gebhardt and Dan Gehrke were elected to the Board.

Rev. David Buegler, Jeff Daley, Ken Ellwein and David Widenhofer were awarded Honorary Lifetime Memberships in ALSS.

Kevin Dunning was the recipient of the Paul Lange Award. Lynne Henry made the presentation.

The 2010 ALSS Conference will be held in Albuquerque NM. ALSS will be teaming with the ALDE conference.