

NEW MEXICO LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE SECOND BUSINESS MEETING

April 6, 1963

Alvarado Hotel, Albuquerque, New Mexico

Miss Dewey called the second business meeting of the 40th Annual Conference to order at 9:10 a.m. Minutes of the previous business meeting were summarized.

Miss Dewey spoke of the death of Miss Octavia Fellin's father the previous day. A motion was made that the secretary write a letter to Miss Fellin expressing the sympathy of members of the association. The motion was seconded and carried.

Miss Dewey called for reports of the sections and divisions.

Miss Madeline Canova reported, for the College, University & Special Libraries Section, that fifty three had attended the luncheon and meeting. A list of the new reference books discussed by the panel will be published in the N.M. Library Bulletin. Miss Peggy Tozier is to be the new President.

Mrs. Helen Lynch gave Mrs. Gary's report for the Trustee Division, which report is attached. Mrs. Gary was reelected as Chairman of this division.

Mrs. Letha Atkins reported for the Public Libraries Section that sixty had attended the second workshop on April 3 and that a statement had been evolved for presentation later in this meeting concerning cooperation between schools and public libraries. Mrs. Helen Melton is the new Chairman.

Mr. David Otis Kelley reported for the Committee on Committees the selection of the following committee members: Historical Materials, Miss Octavia Fellin, Chairman, Mrs. Mildred Barrett; Institutional Services, Mrs. Ruth Farley, Chairman, Mrs. Crowell Dean, Mr. Martin Speare, Brother Brendan; Intellectual Freedom, David Streeter, Chairman, Mrs. Phebe Harris; Legislative, Mrs. Helen Lynch, Chairman, Mrs. Bertha Allen, Mrs. Marshall Beater, Miss Lillian Maddox; Membership and Publicity, Mr. Lee Parman, N.M.L.A. Treasurer, Chairman, Mrs. Helen Redman, Miss Ruth Hendrickson; National Library Week, Mrs. Phebe Harris, Chairman and Director, Mrs. Alice Cox, Miss Octavia Fellin; Scholarship and Recruitment, Mrs. Elinor Messerschmidt, Chairman, Mrs. Helen Saunders, Miss Louise Cornell.

Mrs. Helen Siegman reported for the Children's, Young People's & School Libraries Section that this section has appointed a committee to study the problem of the establishment of the position of State School Library Consultant and the qualifications and needs for this position. It was moved, seconded and carried to approve the following committee: Elizabeth Morgan, Helen Saunders, Elise J. Rosenwald. The report is attached.

In accordance with the recommendation of the Historical Materials Committee, Mr. Chester Linscheid moved that, subject to approval of the State Library, the records of this association be deposited with the Reference and Documents Librarian of the State Library for safekeeping. The State Librarian, Miss Watkins, approved and the motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Saunders presented the proposal of the Scholarship and Recruitment committee that N.M.L.A.'s contribution to the scholarship fund be increased by \$150.00 and that the Albuquerque Association be used to increase its contribution by \$100.00, to bring the total of the scholarship to \$750.00. Discussion of reasons for this increase followed. Miss Lillian Maddox moved to accept the recommendation of this committee, the motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Saunders announced that Mr. Jester, in the name of the New Mexico Bookbinders, wished to make an annual contribution of \$250.00 to be added to the scholarship fund. There was applause to express grateful acceptance of this gift.

It was moved and seconded that annual dues of the association be raised from \$2.00 to \$3.00. Miss Dewey said that since this would be an amendment to the By-Laws, a two thirds vote would be required. The motion was carried by voice vote.

There being no unfinished business, Miss Dewey called for presentation of new business.

Since Mrs. Thompson's term as S.W.L.A. Representative expires in 1963, Miss Dewey said the association must elect a representative for the next term. Mrs. Thompson was reelected unanimously.

Mrs. Marshall read the Nominating Committee's selection of officers for 1963-64: for Secretary, Mrs. Messerschmidt; for Treasurer, Mr. Lee F. Parman; for Vice-President, Miss Breiland. Since there were no other nominations from the floor, it was moved, seconded and carried that these officers be elected by acclamation.

Mr. Kelley read an invitation from Mayor Pat Hollis of Santa Fe to meet there next year. Mr. Kelley said that Mr. Woody Wood had asked him to extend an invitation to the association to meeting again in Albuquerque. Mrs. Harris emphasized the invitation of Mayor Hollis to meet in Santa Fe. It was pointed out that the Executive Board was to make the decision about the meeting place for the 41st Annual Conference. A vote of thanks was given to Albuquerque for two splendid meetings there.

As Chairman of the committee appointed by the President to phrase a statement concerning cooperation between schools and public libraries, Mrs. Harris read the statement composed by this committee. It was moved, seconded and carried that this statement be adopted by the New Mexico Library Association, published in the New Mexico School Review and elsewhere and distributed to all libraries and schools in the state.

Mrs. Lynch reported that the Trustees Division wished to call attention to a trend toward doing away with boards, where city governments control libraries. Miss Watkins mentioned such trends as prevalent and that city managers want boards to have only advisory functions. Miss Lillian Maddox moved that the association accept this recommendation to investigate the matter and appoint a committee to do so. The motion was seconded and carried.

Dr. James Dyke extended an invitation to the association to meet in Portales in 1965.

Miss Dewey expressed for the association its appreciation of the local arrangements and program for the conference and commended the effective work of the various sections and committees. It was moved, seconded and carried that Mr. Kelley send a letter of appreciative gratitude to the Lobo Four who had entertained without charge at the banquet.

The meeting adjourned at 10:25.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Virginia Ewing, Secretary