

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING, ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO
September 21, 1962 - University of New Mexico
The Librarian's Office

Present: Miss Sophronia W. Dewey, President; Mr. David Otis Kelley, Vice President;
Miss Betty Shouse, Secretary; Mr. Chester Linscheid, Mrs. Carolyn C. Marshall,
Miss Dorothy Watkins, Mrs. Eleanor Tedesco

Absent: Mr. Chester Davis, Treasurer; Mrs. Elsa Smith Thompson.

The meeting of the Executive Board was opened by Miss Dewey, President. The Secretary read the minutes of the last meeting. Miss Dewey read the report of the Treasurer in the absence of Mr. Davis. As of June 1, 1962 there was a balance of \$544.62 in the checking account with \$60.00 outstanding.

A letter from Erna Fergusson was read expressing her appreciation for the special award presented to her by the New Mexico Library Association at the annual convention.

A letter explaining the various purposes of the Washington Office Discretionary Fund was read. After much discussion, Mr. Kelley moved, Mrs. Marshall seconded that the N.M.L.A. contribute \$25.00 to the fund. Carried.

Miss Shouse read a letter received from the state tax division. We are considered an educational and a non-profit organization, but as such are not qualified for tax exemption under 72-16-5.

New business included report of a telegram which was sent to Senators Anderson and Chavez by Miss Dewey and Mr. Kelley regarding the academic facilities bill.

Miss Dewey read a letter from David Clift, Executive Director of the American Library Association. Enclosed was a membership statement to be signed if we are meeting all requirements, which includes the right to membership of all individuals regardless of race, color, or creed.

The dates for the N.M.L.A. Convention were discussed in view of the dates already chosen by surrounding states. Mrs. Marshall moved, Miss Watkins seconded that it be held April 4-6, 1963. The Alvarado Hotel was chosen as convention headquarters again. Mrs. Eleanor Tedesco of the Sandia Base Technical Library was appointed chairman for local arrangements. Ways to overcome the critical shortage of librarians was selected as the theme for the convention. The program was outlined as follows: Wednesday evening- executive board meeting and beginning of registration; Thursday morning- first business meeting, Thursday afternoon- first general session, Thursday evening- Special Libraries Association dinner and any others who wish; Friday morning- second general session, Friday afternoon- section meetings or luncheons, Friday evening- the banquet; Saturday morning- breakfast business meeting.

The meeting was adjourned.