

NEW MEXICO LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
Executive Board Meeting
October 11, 1968
Zimmerman Library, University of New Mexico

Present:

Helen Ketola, pres.	Don Reichmann, Pub. Libr, Section
Helen Melton, v.p.	Hester Miller, Publicity Comm.
Alice Wynne, Secy.	Joe Sabatini (alternate for A. DeVolder, Leg & I. Free. C.)
Jack Key, treas.	Art De Volder (appeared briefly from another meeting)
Pearce grove, ALA coun.	
Mildred Barrett, past pres.	
Dorothy Watkins, ex-off.	
Fary Harding, Ch. & Y.P. Section	

The meeting was called to order by Miss Ketola at 1:15 pm.

The minutes of the previous meeting (4/20/68) were accepted as printed.

Mr. Key distributed four items--a membership list, the treasurer's report, the recommended budget for 1968-69 and a proposed membership application form. NMLA has 425 members. The balance in the treasury is \$5,468.23.

The budget was reviewed and adjusted because of two additional requests. Mrs. Dorothy Rosen, State Library Trustee, had written to call to attention the fact that many state associations contribute to the support of the ALA Washington Office. After Mrs. Barrett noted that such support had been a budget item at one time, Mr. Riechmann suggested that a minimum of \$50 be added. Mrs. Barrett reported for Miss Christine Buder that permission had been secured from Pablita Velarde to use her design on the cover of New Mexico Libraries. Printing cost would be \$50 per issue beginning with the winter issue, V.1 No.4. Allocation for the bulletin was increased.

Because the total anticipated receipts exceeded the possible disbursements by \$45, it was agreed that this sum be added to the allocations to sections and committees. The budget was approved as reworked.

Miss Ketola reported that the disbursement to the Librarian-Trustee Workshop last month for an attendance award was given as two \$25 awards, one to a public library and one to a region. The awards were appreciated.

Initiating discussion of the proposed membership form, Miss Ketola wondered if some wording could be added to tap interest in serving on committees. Mrs. Melton stated that indication of interest would aid her nominating committee. Mr. Key composed a statement to append.

The committees reporting and a summary follow.

COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY AND SPECIAL LIBRARIES

Arthur Freed reported two activities--a committee chaired by Mrs. Margery Wilson to compile a set of by-laws and an ad hoc committee headed by Brother Brendon to consider the future of this section.

PUBLICITY

Mrs. Miller's letter of report was read. Miss Ketola commended results of publicity prepared and released. Newspaper coverage for the Librarian-Trustee Workshop was excellent. A radio program in Santa Fe was an additional achievement.

CONVENTION SITES

There was nothing to report. Comments made were that few cities could accommodate exhibits adequately.

SCHOLARSHIP AND RECRUITMENT

Three inquiries have been received.

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

The theme will be "New Mexico, Land of Contrast". A chairman for the citizens' committee will be contacted. Two projects suggested were an article about libraries for the New Mexico Magazine and a filler for mailing in public utility bills. The article has been accepted for the April issue. Mr. Grove suggested that Jack Campbell, former Governor, be considered for membership on the citizens' committee.

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

Mr. Riechmann reported that Mrs. Mildred Breiland had agreed to chair this committee to replace Lee Parman. Miss Ketola asked if the board had accepted all recommendations made last spring. It was agreed that only the points appearing in the minutes of April 20, 1968, had been accepted. The committee should continue to function ad hoc to work on the remainder. The NMLA Constitution needs revision.

LEGISLATION AND INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM

A legislative representative is needed. Mr. DeVolder asked if Tom Donnelly, a lawyer in Santa Fe, should be approached as suggested previously. Miss Watkins recommended Mr. Donnelly, and Mr. DeVolder was advised to request his services.

NEW MEXICO LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

The first meeting of the year is scheduled for October 12, 1968.

NOMINATING

A slate of nominees for officers will be prepared to print in the bulletin mailed before state convention. Nominations may be made from the floor if permission of the nominee has been received.

COMMITTEE ON STATE DOCUMENTS

New Mexico State U. and Eastern New Mexico U. were suggested as two institutions of higher learning to be members of this committee. Two persons were named as possibilities for the one representative from public libraries.

Miss Ketola announced that SWLA had asked NMLA to cooperate in an attempt to receive a World Book Encyclopedia Award. Goals 4, 5, 27, 28, 34 and 42 would be advanced. NMLA would have to pay expenses of formulating a plan to submit. It was decided to cooperate, informing SWLA before its board meeting October 19, 1968.

Several items of new business concerned the bulletin. Miss Christine Buder, editor, asked for an article of interest per issue from a section or the division so that each would be represented once a year. Also, she requested an editorial committee to develop a broad policy statement for the

bulletin. Miss Watkins moved that the executive board furnish such a committee to support the editor. A chairman and four members with the editor as ex-officio member were suggested to serve three, four or five years. After the motion passed, names of three possible members were suggested.

Concerning expenses of mailing the bulletin, the editor asked if NMLA should try to secure a federal income tax exemption so as to be eligible for the mailing privilege. After comparing the costs, Mr. Key was asked to secure the exemption. Then too, 238 non-subscribers are on the mailing list. The newly created Editorial Committee will take this problem under advisement.

Miss Ketola reported attending a meeting of the New Mexico Citizen's Committee For A Constitutional Convention. Librarians were asked to make the public aware that the Convention will be listed on the ballot on November 5, 1968.

The Greater Albuquerque Library Association requested Mr. Riechmann to ask the executive board of NMLA to appoint a strong committee to investigate library education because the need is urgent in New Mexico. Discussion of the meeting in Portales last week concerning this subject followed. Featured speaker was the ALA Director of Library Education. Two resolutions had materialized. First, the feasibility of establishing a graduate library school should be investigated by a group incorporating both short range and long range committees. Second, a permanent group should be established--a round table, section, division or committee to extend library education in this state. Because section chairmen may not initiate motions, Mrs. Melton was asked by Miss Ketola to act for Mr. Riechmann. She moved that a committee be appointed as GALA requested. The motion was defeated. Next, it was decided to sanction the existence of an ad hoc round table. Mrs. Lorene Hollenberger and Dr. Margaret Chisholm will be asked to form it and to co-chair it.

Mrs. Melton circulated her report of ideas for the program for the 1969 conference scheduled for April 16-18 in Hobbs. Mr. Grove suggested three additional possibilities for themes--library resources, library education and standards for libraries and librarians. Mrs. Melton's first theme, "Service for Citizens", was selected.

Mr. Grove's will be added to the list of possible lines of development. Ray Fry of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare was recommended as a possible speaker, with Dr. Agnes Reagan of ALA as a moderator.

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Alice Cox Wynne (Mrs. Wm. J.)
Secretary, filling the unexpired term of Lewis Tonn