

N.M.L.A. Executive Board
Winter Meeting
Hilton Hotel, Albuquerque
February 6, 1970

Present:

Mrs. Helen Melton	Mr. Gar Elison	Mrs. Dorothy Trester
Miss Calla Ann Crepin	Mrs. Virginia Ewing	Mrs. Crowell O. Dean
Mrs. Marjorie Wilson	Mr. Pearce Grove	Mrs. Hardy Bogan
Miss Helen Ketola	Mrs. Mary Grilly	Mr. Norris Maxwell
Mrs. Doris Cox	Miss Virginia Jennings	Miss Elinor McCloskey
Mrs. Brooke Sheldon	Brother Brendan	Mrs. Lorena Hallbenberger
Miss Elizabeth Morgan	Mrs. Lois Godfrey	

The meeting was called to order by the President at 10:00 A.M. The minutes of the previous meeting were read; corrections and additions were made. The Treasurer reported a balance on hand of \$4,513.43 as of February 6.

Mrs. Melton stated that the Board is not required to approve the Division's annual reports. They are to be accepted and filed. These reports are due after the second business meeting at the annual Conference.

The winter reports of the Divisions reporting and summarized as follows:

COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY AND SPECIAL LIBRARIES. Mrs. Trester reported for Miss Pendleton. Dr. McConnell, New Mexico Educational Board of Finance, has accepted an invitation to participate in the Conference program. Possibilities for legislation as suggested by the A. D. Little survey will be discussed.

SCHOOL LIBRARIES, CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULT SERVICES. One newsletter has been mailed; another will be sent in March. Mrs. Marcia Shannon will be the program chairman for the Conference. School-public library cooperation will be discussed in the light of the Little survey recommendations.

PUBLIC LIBRARIES. Division by-laws will be mailed in March. They will be voted on at the Conference. The Division will then meet jointly with the trustees. Reports on the outreach questionnaire, Project Every Library Board in New Mexico, as well as discussion of the Little survey, will make up the program.

TRUSTEES. Miss Morgan reported the Division's representation on the Governor's Conference Committee and Library Development Council. A newsletter to Trustees is to be sent before the Conference.

Prior to reports of the Standing Committees, Mrs. Melton noted that committee reports need to be in hand before the Board meetings. If the Board accepts the annual reports at the Convention, the entire Association is committed to stand by the action. Too hasty action may result if reports are not studied beforehand. The Association's Constitution states that each Executive Board member should have two copies of all reports two weeks before each Board meeting.

Mr. Maxwell remarked that he would need approximately 350 copies of the annual reports to fill envelopes for the Conference participants by April 1. The most expedient method for consolidating and producing a large number of copies was debated. Need for conciseness in the reports was emphasized. Miss Crepin asked if the agenda for the General Business meetings could be changed to approve committee reports at the second meeting. A decision on the method of producing multiple copies of the committees' annual reports was tabled until Miss Buder could be reached to determine if the reports could be included in a pre-conference issue of New Mexico Libraries.

Standing committee reports were made:

CONSTITUTION AND BY- LAWS. Outlines for handbooks were requested in October. The committee continues to work on the handbook items.

Mrs. Melton suggested a way to shorten Conference business meeting time. She referred to Sturgis' Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedures. A Minutes Committee of three would be appointed for 1970-71. The minutes would be written and signed by all the committee. This would eliminate reading of the minutes, expanding business time. A similar committee of three was suggested for the Treasurer. Miss Ketola felt this would create too much work for the Treasurer who has more than enough to do already. Action on the recommendation will be postponed until the Conference.

DOCUMENTS. Request for a document checklist from the Archive and Record Center brought out the fact that no concerted demand has been made for such a list. A survey of the State's public libraries showed that those libraries representing 70 per cent of the State population felt need for such a checklist. Renewed contact with the Archives Center has resulted in a monthly checklist. Usefulness of the list would be increased, however, if State agencies did, in fact, deposit 5 copies of every publication with the Center. Education of librarians appears to be needed to present the need for a full list of State documents. An additional area for concentration is publications concerning local communities. Such a project would mean expansion of committee membership. After his report Mr. Elison said that ways to now proceed in developing a complete checklist are uncertain. No one currently notifies Library of Congress of documents printed; no State agency appears to have the manpower to coordinate information. A depository system was also discussed.

EDITORIAL. Mrs. Ewing reported that no meeting had been necessary since fall.

GENERAL PUBLICITY AND NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK. National Library Week will feature the question, "Who in the community is not being served, and why not?" Correlation will be made with the Little survey. Efforts to enhance the State Library's position were being carried out during the current legislative session.

HISTORICAL MATERIALS. Mr. Jerome Simpson has replaced Mrs. Marcia Miller on the committee. The New Mexico author list is being expanded; a new list will be sent to all public, college, and university libraries. Mrs. Virginia Bradbury will maintain the Publicity Scrapbook.

LEGISLATION AND INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM. Introduction of a censorship bill seems unlikely. Mrs. Godfrey recommended that the Board approve payment of Mr. Donnelly upon receipt of a "Less Restrictive" censorship bill or the end of the legislative session, whichever comes first. (Subsequent information from Santa Fe noted the introduction of a censorship bill that morning.)

The State Library budget is in jeopardy. Mrs. Godfrey recommended that the Board request Mr. Donnelly to work on behalf of the Association in regard to the State Library budget. Miss Crepin made the motion; Mrs. Wilson seconded; the motion passed.

SCHOLARSHIP AND RECRUITMENT. Mrs. Trester reported for Miss Pendleton. Eleven requests for the scholarship application have followed mailing of approximately 100 scholarship announcements. Announcement of the award will be made at the Annual Banquet to which the recipient will be invited.

The meeting broke for lunch at 12:15 and resumed at 1:10.

Special committees reported and summaries follow:

REPRESENTATIVE TO THE NEW MEXICO LIBRARY AND AUDIOVISUAL COUNCIL. The Council requested opinions of the Board concerning areas on which the Council might work. Pre-spring Conference sessions involving librarians and AV specialists were discussed. Proposals for a graduate library-audiovisual program were examined. Mr. Grove felt that this was not the Education Council's task, rather, a role of those people in the State consistently involved with library education.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT. Mrs. Trester read and requested discussion of a draft of the statement on academic status for college and university librarians in New Mexico. Mr. Grove said that reference to statements relative to faculty status in the AAUP by-laws, and those in other higher education associations, should be included. The Board moved to endorse the statement, with the verified inclusion of such statements. The second item concerned a cross-library mailing list to all types of libraries in the State. After discussion it was decided to print the list in three forms: by library name, by type of library, and by region. Means and costs of producing the lists were explored. Mr. Grove indicated he would be willing to assist with development of the computer program for the lists. Mrs. Trester would investigate printing. Plans for library workshops will await the outcomes of WICHE endeavors.

COMMITTEE TO EXTEND LIBRARY SERVICE. Mrs. Sheldon reported that plans now are to send a questionnaire to public and college and university libraries in order to tabulate library activity in the State. Outward bound projects and campus programs will be included.

CONVENTION SITE COMMITTEE. Mrs. Crowell Dean reported that a survey of convention requirements and sites has been made. It should be updated annually. Convention sites need to be confirmed three to five years in advance. Board consensus was that the convention will be in Roswell in 1971, April 14, 15, and 16. The Texas and Arizona library associations will be notified of these dates. Mrs. Melton asked that a letter be sent to Mrs. Helen Saunders, President of GALA. The Association will request that the N.M.L.A. Convention be held in Albuquerque every two years. If GALA feels this is too great a burden on local librarians, an alternative request would be a commitment for every third year.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE. A slate of officers has been agreed upon. Letters requesting the candidates' affirmations have been sent. Names of candidates will be printed in New Mexico Libraries.

AWARD COMMITTEE TO NAME TRUSTEES OF THE YEAR AND LIBRARIAN OF THE YEAR. Mrs. Bogan gave Mrs. Melton an envelope containing the names of persons to receive the awards. Mr. Grove suggested the trustee award should be expanded in scope to layman of the

year. Various wordings were proposed. It was agreed that Mr. Key's committee should frame suitable enlargement.

COMMITTEE FOR USE OF VELLA GALLE'S RESEARCH. Roberta Allen has referred the Galle's family request to have the research developed to the Executive Board. Two suggestions have emerged from the committee study: the scholarship recipient could develop the research data, or a member of the Association who has done similar work might be interested in taking over the data. This second suggestion would be publicized in New Mexico Libraries.

SWLA-ALA CHAPTER RELATIONS PROJECT. Three sets of questionnaires are being developed to send to State library associations, regional, local associations and individuals. The intent will be to explore ways of improving relationships among these various levels.

COMMITTEE FOR HONORING MISS DOROTHY WATKINS. The committee has established plans which include presentation of a gift during a ceremony at the annual banquet. Mrs. Melton read a letter from Mr. David O. Kelly stressing the need for a graduate library school at the University of New Mexico, interrelated with the undergraduate library programs of the other State institutions. He suggested that the Professional Development Committee might take supportive action. Mrs. Melton had replied that this was not the task of that committee and asked what further suggestion Mr. Kelly might have toward formulating a new committee to study such a proposal. Mr. Grove states that those individuals involved in library and audiovisual education should meet regularly to formulate plans for any move toward planning a graduate library program.

Mrs. Melton announced that Dr. Monroe has been added to the membership of the Library Development Council.

Mr. Grove, ALA Councilor, requested that Board members study the implications in a new publication, "New Directions for ALA," before the next meeting. He enumerated a number of issues implicit in the report. Mr. Grove offered to reproduce and send copies to the Executive Board so that their suggestions could be carried to the June ALA meeting.

Mrs. Bertha Allen has resigned as SWLA representative. Mrs. Sheldon, as Interim Representative, summarized the January mid-winter meeting. Efforts are being made to locate all SWLA materials in order to consolidate them at Oklahoma State University. The Association is seeking non-profit status. Reports were made on the 1970 conference in Fort Worth. The Goals Award project centered on relationships between types and levels of associations and will, hopefully, provide answers for regions other than the Southwest. A report of the Interlibrary Cooperation Committee concluded major business.

The Ad Hoc Committee on the Governor's Conference on Libraries feels that locating adequate funding will be a major step in the planning of the conference. Brother Brendan, the Board's representative, said that one major outlay of funds would be for a coordinator to plan with the committee, the Ad Hoc Committee to become the planning committee. A three-month follow-up and a report is encompassed in current plans. N.M.L.A. will be asked to sponsor and help fund the conference, as will other New Mexico library organizations. The most favorable time for planning seemed to be after the annual N.M.L.A. Conference in order that heightened interest as the result of the Little survey can be used. It was announced that Miss Buder has been contacted and wished to publish the committee annual reports in the spring issues of New Mexico Libraries. This issue will be printed before the Convention.

Mr. Maxwell reported on the progress of the Local Arrangements Committee for the Convention. Discussion was held concerning the number of registration forms to mail and packets to prepare for convention participants. He asked the Board's opinion of an award for the Outstanding Exhibitor. General consensus was that there is no unbiased way to determine merit since exhibitors' budgets vary so greatly. A handbook for future arrangements chairmen is being prepared.

Miss Crepin summarized program plans for the Convention. The theme will be "Libraries of New Mexico--Their Strengths, Weaknesses, and a Plan for Action." The A. D. Little survey report will provide the basis for speakers' remarks and group discussion Thursday and Friday. Phyllis Maggeroli and Allie Beth Martin will attend the Conference, acting in the capacity of resource persons and speakers. Arrangements for other speakers have not yet been confirmed. The banquet will be on the last evening of the Conference. Rather than a speaker, a series of special awards will be made.

The meeting moved to other business. The general membership needs to be notified that all resolutions must be submitted in writing by the first business meeting. This will permit consideration before action is taken on resolutions at the second business meeting.

Remuneration for Miss Buder was discussed in light of the time she devotes to New Mexico Libraries. The editorial committee will try to determine reasons for delays in publication and indicate the Executive Board's support for actions which appear necessary to insure more regular publication. The idea for a cover design has been abandoned. The Editorial Committee decided that no advertising would be run. The Board concurred with this decision.

Mrs. Melton mentioned that future Board meetings may become two days in length. One session meeting the afternoon of the first day; the next session meeting the morning of the second day.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:34 P.M.

Elinor McCloskey, Secretary