

New Mexico Library Association
Executive Board Meeting
Convention Center
Albuquerque, NM
April 18, 1990

The meeting of the 1989/90 Executive Board of the New Mexico Library Association was called to order by President Gloria Trujillo at 8:40 a.m. in the Albuquerque Convention Center.

Members Present:

Alison E. Almquist	Penny Grigsby	Earl Phillips
Ruben Aragon	Drew Harrington	Lee Platero
Chuck Baldonado	Carol Joiner	Clara Rey
Daryl Black	Deborah McBeth	Joe Sabatini
Sever Bordeianu	George Marr	Susie Sonflieth
Kathy Costa	Ruben Aragon	Kay Threlkeld
Deborah Eagan	Michael Miller	Gloria Trujillo
Kathy Flanary	Carol Myers	Ben Wakashige
Lois Godfrey	Susan Oberlander	Karen Watkins
Mary Lou Gooch	Claire Odenheim	Cheryl Wilson

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Gloria Trujillo announced that J. Arthur Freed made a \$40 donation to NMLA. Gloria read a letter to NMLA from Duffy Porter saying that she is no longer able to attend NMLA Conferences due to funding cuts, but that she appreciates all that the organization has done over the years. At Gloria's request, everyone in the room introduced themselves.

MINUTES:

Drew Harrington called for additions or corrections to the January minutes. On a motion by Penny Grisby, seconded by Deborah Eagan, the minutes were approved as written.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Carol Myers gave the treasurer's report. At the end of the 3rd quarter, the association balance was \$26,324.97 with a current year budget balance of \$7,488.68. So far, this year's Conference is showing a profit of \$17,000, but many bills will be coming in.

Carol suggested that more time be spent on the budget process. The Association continues to generate much less income than is budgeted, and to rely on the Convention to pull the organization out of the hole.

Carol noted that a number of questions about invoicing and mailings will need to be answered if the association should adopt the proposal to change the deadline date of membership.

It has occurred to Carol that many members do not seem to understand that dues are payable by July 1. If books continue to be kept on July 1 fiscal year, it would probably help avoid financial crises if the dues structure would follow the same fiscal year. Perhaps a mailing to unpaid members in August would alleviate some of the problems concerning payment of dues.

It was noted that Carol had distributed expenditure and balance sheets to each Executive Board

member with a budget this year, to assist in planning the upcoming budget.

Carol asked for the Board's permission to once again have Carol Grassham audit the association books.

Carol Myers moved that Carol Grassham be asked to do NMLA's books in the upcoming year. Daryl Black seconded ... passed.

Ben Wakashige moved to accept the treasurer's report. Chuck Baldonado seconded ... passed.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Recommendation That The January NMLA Board Meetings Be Held In Santa Fe Due To The Legislature

Michael Miller spoke to the need, due to the conflict of the Executive Board January meeting and the legislative session. He also noted that if the meeting were held in Santa Fe during the session, it might also be possible to take advantage of the librarian's presence for educating and lobbying legislators. Susan Oberlander expressed her agreement. Gloria Trujillo also agreed it was a good idea, but noted that scheduling of meetings is the President's prerogative. Lois Godfrey expressed her support of the Santa Fe meeting. Chuck Baldonado said that as incoming President, he has already scheduled the January meeting elsewhere, but that he can change the meeting place. However, it was noted that the meeting dates would be too early for the legislative session anyway, and that it may be difficult to consistently schedule meetings to coincide with the legislative session. Joe Sabatini made the point that NMLA Executive Board meetings are not for the purpose of lobbying legislators, and that there may not be time to accomplish both NMLA business and lobbying effectively. Chuck Baldonado agreed with Joe. Daryl Black noted that it may make more sense to plan a legislative day separate from NMLA Executive Board meetings. Gloria Trujillo said that meetings would be left as they are, with each Association President scheduling them.

2. Resolution In Support Of The U. S. Newspaper Project for New Mexico

Michael Miller presented a resolution calling for board support of the U.S. Newspaper project for New Mexico.

Ben Wakashige moved to accept the resolution. Deborah Eagan seconded ... passed.

3. Proposal To Establish An Executive Committee To Work On Budget

Daryl Black said that each year there are questions from incoming board members about how the budget is developed and handled, which has led to a recommendation that a committee be called. Gloria Trujillo agreed that there is some confusion over the budgetary process, but asked if it is necessary to have a committee or if an annual meeting of new and incumbent officers would take care of the problems. Cheryl Wilson suggested that such a meeting could work well, and that budget requests could be worked out during the meeting. The Treasurer could then present a balanced budget rather than budget requests to the board. Ben Wakashige spoke of the need for attention not only to current budgets, but to long range planning. George Marr said that the organization may want to consider going outside of itself for a fund raising campaign. Gloria Trujillo said that the dues structure should be looked at to see if it is realistic.

4. Renewal Of Contract With The Lindsey Company

Carol Joiner explained that the association has a current contract with the Lindseys that will

expire in June, 1990. She noted that the Newsletter has improved under the Lindsey's professional care, and that she recommends renewal of the contract. Karen Watkins asked what we pay the Lindseys, and Carol Joiner said that they receive \$220.00 per issue plus \$22 per page. Susie Sonflieth noted that there have been some problems in published and actual turn around times. She believes that the published lead time of 3 weeks is actually 4-5 weeks, and that a more realistic lead time be published. Several people said that they have heard of some problems concerning members of the association not receiving their newsletters, which was especially distressing with the conference issue. Sever Bordeianu said that may be due to late renewal of membership. George Marr suggested that it may be wise to get a new set of competitive bids since the last bid was approximately 1-1/2 years ago. Joe Sabatini noted that we are building a strong and customized relationship with the Lindseys which is valuable. Cheryl Wilson said that she agrees that the Lindseys are doing a good job, but noted that next year the conference issue of the newsletter should be sent to inactive as well as active members of the association to promote conference attendance.

Daryl Black moved to renew the Lindsey's contract. Earl Phillips seconded ... passed.

5. Suggestions For Advertising In The NMLA Newsletter

Carol Joiner asked for a decision from the board on whether or not we want to have advertising in the NMLA Newsletter. There have been some commercial inquiries about ads. Ben Wakashige said that at some time in the past there were ads, but cautioned the board to be aware that the work of selling and collecting on ads may not be worth the return. Carol Myers expressed some concern about the legality of charging for ads since NMLA is a non-profit organization. Some discussion followed, and it was agreed that a call to ALA could probably answer the legal question. Gloria Trujillo said that Sandy Spurlock has at least a partial list of interested advertisers. Deborah Eagan said that if the association decides to include advertising she will volunteer to handle it. Earl Phillips noted that the advertising could get out of hand and create competition with conference exhibitors. Gloria Trujillo said that the question merits further study, and that incoming President Chuck Baldonado can set up a special committee on the issue.

6. Recommendation On The Newsletter Distribution To Nonmembers

Sever Bordeianu said that there are periodic requests from Nonmembers for subscriptions to the NMLA Newsletter free of charge. He noted that there are usually extra issues stockpiled, and that bulk mailing cost per issue is 8 cents. Alison Almquist said that we already have an established fee of \$10 per year to Nonmembers wishing to subscribe to the newsletter. George Marr noted that we may need to send advertisers and potential advertisers sample issues. Kathy Flanary suggested that when there is a request the editor send one sample issue and information on the \$10 per year subscription fee. Some discussion followed with several board members indicating that they thought the fee should stand and that no free subscriptions be given. Gloria Trujillo said the subscription fee will stand, and that the editor may use his/her discretion on sample issues.

7. Recommendation That NMLA Join New Mexicans Against Censorship

Susan Oberlander gave a brief explanation of the censorship issue in New Mexico, and of pertinent legislation. She requested board approval for NMLA to be a member of "New Mexicans Against Censorship". Ben Wakashige asked what other organizations are members. Susan replied that various arts organizations, the NEA, ACLC, ABA, the Video Dealers Assoc., and numerous attorneys are members. Cheryl Wilson asked about the cost of belonging to the organization, and Susan said there is no fee. Claire Odenheim said that she thinks it is important

to support organizations such as this, but asked what will happen if they start taking political stands and doing excessive lobbying which might not represent NMLA member's wishes? Susan said that NMLA could withdraw from the organization at any time. Chuck Baldonado said he is willing to make a philosophical, but not a monetary commitment to the organization. Chuck Baldonado moved that NMLA join the NMAC Organization. Ben Wakashige seconded ... passed.

8. Approval of Draft Letter To Be Delivered To N.M. Congressmen On Legislative Day

Susan Oberlander read a letter she wishes to take to Washington, D.C. for Legislative Day. She asked for board endorsement of the letter.

Ben Wakashige moved for board acceptance of the letter. Deborah Eagan seconded ... passed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Lois Godfrey announced that the Special Committee on the State Library would like help in distributing NMLA notepads to City and County Councilors during National Library Week. She asked anyone who could help to please pick up an appropriate number of notepads during the break.

Gloria Trujillo called a break at 10:15 a.m.

The meeting resumed at 10:30 a.m.

9. Handling of the Commemorative Reading Poster

Susie Sonflieth, Chair of the Public Relations Committee, explained the highlights of planning and production of the 1990 Commemorative Reading Poster, resulting in the very attractive poster by artist / librarian Fred Barraza. Susie asked for assistance from the board in setting a price for the poster. The Public Relations Committee suggested setting the price at \$5.00 during conference, \$1.50 after conference, and a price from \$10-\$20 for signed copies. There was discussion of the considerable merits of the poster, and the need to set the price at a level to reflect the outstanding work. Also, it was noted that Fred Barraza will be available for two signing sessions during the conference, and that it may be difficult to control who is purchasing signed and unsigned posters. Susie Sonflieth also brought up the possibility of selling as many of the 3,000 posters as possible at the conference and then turning the remaining posters over to a gallery or galleries. The advantage of this approach is that the galleries will charge \$30-\$35 dollars for each poster, they will handle mailing arrangements, and a \$15 profit would be made for NMLA per poster. Susie would have to negotiate details of the arrangements with galleries after the conference. Daryl Black reminded the board that Fred Barraza has done a magazine cover for American Libraries, and she felt that there might be some interest on the part of the magazine to do an article on the posters. There was considerable discussion leading to agreement that the board considered the prices suggested by the Public Relations Committee to be too low. Daryl Black moved that the conference price for the poster be set at \$18, and that post-conference arrangements be negotiated between the Public Relations Committee and galleries. Chuck Baldonado seconded. Discussion followed, and Claire Odenheim suggested a \$15 price. The vote was called ... motion passed. Susie Sonflieth next asked the board about complimentary distribution of the poster. After some discussion, it was agreed that the issue be tabled until the post-conference, Saturday meeting.

10. Distribution of NMLA Membership List

From time to time there are requests for an NMLA membership list, both for commercial and non-commercial use. In the past, the association has been very conservative in who is given the

list, but some clarification of policy now seems to be necessary. George Marr spoke about various organizations making money selling their membership lists, and he noted that those lists may be sold with a "one time use only" clause and audit addresses. Alison Almquist and Lee Platero voiced their concerns about the need of division, roundtable and committee chairs to have such lists. Cheryl Wilson said that chairs should already be getting those lists, and that it is standard procedure to provide all chairs with them. Susie Sonflieth said it seemed clear that the lists could not be distributed beyond organizational needs without member's permission. Penny Grigsby noted that she had received a call from a commercial organization requesting the membership list; she denied the request. Kathy Flanary said that there are times when members of NMLA beyond the organizational chairs need membership lists. Gloria Trujillo said that there appear to be many questions on this complex issue. Cheryl Wilson suggested that as a policy for the coming year, membership lists should be made available for NMLA business, but not for non-NMLA business. Gloria Trujillo agreed to try that policy for the coming year.

11. Attendance Of Incoming 1st Vice President at Annual, Summer ALA Conference

In the past, the incoming 1st Vice President of NMLA has attended ALA Midwinter workshops to learn about putting on a state conference. Chuck Baldonado noted that by the time ALA Midwinter comes, many of the conference arrangements have already been made. He suggests that instead, the 1st Vice President attend the summer, Annual ALA Conference so that the workshops will be more timely and useful. He also noted that since Midwinter is mostly a business meeting, there are few chances to find speakers and presenters who may be available for NMLA. Ben Wakashige said that such a change should not effect the reporting of information from ALA Midwinter to NMLA since the ALA Councilor would attend the meetings. It was agreed that the change could be made for the incoming 1st Vice President to attend the Annual ALA Conference.

12. Amendment To Procedural Handbook

Gloria asked the board to refer to the Procedural Handbook (Blue Book), section 260: page 1, number 8 [Treasurer]. The paragraph currently reads "The only travel expenses allowed as part of the budget are those of the President and A.L.A. Councilor to attend meetings of the American Library Association when the libraries in which these officers are employed cannot or do not pay their expenses." Gloria asked that the paragraph be amended to read "The only travel expenses allowed as part of the budget are those of the President, A.L.A. Councilor, 1st Vice President and Legislation & Intellectual Freedom Committee Chair to attend meetings of the American Library Association when the libraries in which these officers are employed cannot or do not pay their expenses. Chuck Baldonado moved to approve the change in the procedural handbook. Ben Wakashige seconded ... passed.

13. Travel Expense Guidelines

Carol Myers, Treasurer, said that she feels a policy needs to be set on how NMLA will reimburse travel expenses. Earl Phillips suggested that the association use the same guidelines as does the state of New Mexico in regards to per deim. Daryl Black said actual expenses as shown by receipts might save NMLA money. Several board members noted that actual expenses with no ceiling could potentially cost the organization more. If a state per deim rate is used, Carol Myers asked what happens if someone is staying with friends or relatives, or has some other situation that does not require the entire per deim amount. Karen Watkins said that she believes the state has a clause in their guidelines to address that situation. Discussion suggested that the clause is rarely if ever enforced, and encourages a certain amount of deception. Drew Harrington said that since the state per deim does not compensate travelers for costs that run more than the

per deim, it may not be realistic to expect traveler's to request less than the allowed amount if they are able to reduce expenses. She felt it is simple and straightforward to simply set a per deim and allow the traveler to use his/her own judgment in spending it. Earl Phillips moved that NMLA use the New Mexico State per deim guidelines for travel expenses. Claire Odenheim seconded ... passed.

REPORT FROM THE ALA COUNCILOR:

Ben Wakashige reported that he will attend ALA's annual conference this June in Chicago. He is distributing information about ALA and its programs in the exhibit area during the NMLA Conference. Ben explained that there will be a dues increase request of \$5 for 5 years on the 1990 ALA ballot.

REPORT FROM THE STATE LIBRARIAN:

State Librarian, Karen Watkins reported.

The NMSL budget for 1990-91 includes \$200,000 for state aid to public libraries; an increase of \$50,000 or 33%.

A general obligation bond issue for \$600,000 to buy land for a new State Library building will go before the voters statewide in November, 1990. The reason for the planned move is that the present building is needed by nearby judicial offices.

For the last six months, the NMSL has been reviewing all of their programs and services. All NMLA members have been mailed a draft of recommended program changes, together with a questionnaire for their responses. An open meeting to discuss the proposals will be held during the conference.

REPORT FROM THE CONFERENCE PROGRAM CHAIR:

Chuck Baldonado reported that 287 people are registered for the conference and that 208 banquet tickets have been sold. Conference net income to date is \$9,207.97. Chuck said that he changed the pre-registration deadline to April 13, 1990 and published that change in the Hitchhiker. He requested approval by the board to make refunds to those members who thought they had missed the pre-registration deadline. Twenty nine (29) attendees were effected, with the \$15 per person refund coming to \$435.00. Chuck Baldonado moved that the Executive Board approve reimbursement to NMLA Conference attendees effected by the change in the registration deadline. Earl Phillips seconded. Discussion followed. Joe Sabatini said that he believes the handbook states that only the Executive Board has the authority to change the pre-registration deadline. Alison Almquist noted that the change effected her tallies of voting and non-voting status for roundtables. Joe Sabatini suggested that we reimburse only individual members, not institutional members since the paperwork may be difficult for an institution to process. Earl Phillips withdrew his second to the motion on the floor. Chuck Baldonado amended his motion to include reimbursement only to individual, not institutional, conference attendees. Earl Phillips seconded ... passed.

DIVISION REPORTS:

College, University & Special Libraries

Ben Wakashige reported that the CUS Division is co-sponsoring the preconference program "Nuts and Bolts of Collection Development" with the NMCAL Collection Development Committee and the New Mexico State Library. The proposed 1990- 91 CUS work program is to "Promote cooperation and communication among all academic and special librarians in New Mexico". The nomination committee has recommended Judy C. Neff for the position of CUS

Vice-Chair, Chair elect.

Public Libraries

No written report

Mary Lou Gooch reported that the division will vote on a work program and officers during the conference. Mary Pat Kramer is the division nominee for Vice-Chair, Chair elect. During the conference, the Public Library Division is sponsoring the " Battle of the Books" program.

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Claire Odenheim reported that the current work program will remain in place one more year. Kay Threlkeld is the incoming Chair, and Flora Graham is nominated for the position of Vice-Chair, Chair elect. The conference program and business meeting will be held on Thursday morning, and will feature author Barthe DeClements, the 1989 Land of Enchantment book award winner.

Documents

Ruben Aragon reported that the roundtable is still 2 members short of voting status, but it has a membership of 47, which is an increase of 6 members from last year. The RT conference program is entitled "Electronic Collection and Dissemination of Government Information: Its Impact on Libraries". The program will take place on Wednesday afternoon and will be followed by a business meeting. The nominating committee has selected Kathleen Keating as Vice-Chair, Chair elect.

Library Instruction

Deborah Eagan reported that the RT jointly sponsored with the Online RT, a 2 day conference in October in Silver City, N.M. The conference program "Critical Thinking: the Information Search Process" will take place Friday. The nominee for Vice-Chair, Chair elect for 1990-91 is John Brewster".

Local & Regional History

No Report

LUISA

Clara Rey reported that the conference program will be "Hispanics in Library Management" and will be presented by Luis Herrera on Friday. In celebration of LUISA's 10th anniversary, all LUISA members will be wearing ribbons and will share reserved LUISA tables at the banquet. Then 1990-91 nominee for Vice-Chair, Chair elect is Sophie Leyba, and the nominee for Chair is Bernice Martinez.

Native American Libraries

Lee Platero reported that portions of the 1989-90 work program were completed successfully, while other goals were not realized. Veronica Paynetsa is the 1990- 91 nominee for Vice-Chair, Chair elect. The conference program will take place on Friday and will deal with Native American perspectives on the Columbus Quincentenary Celebration. The program is titled "Encounter vs Discovery".

Non-Print/NMAECT

No written report

Earl Phillips reported that the RT will continue with its current work goals in the coming year,

and will add some additional goals. The name of the RT may not be descriptive enough, so a possible new name for the RT has been proposed--"Educational Technology Roundtable"; to be voted on during the conference. Virginia Whitney will be the incoming Chair of the RT, and David Libertore has been nominated as Vice-Chair, Chair elect.

Online

Penny Grigsby reported that the RT, in cooperation with LIRT and the Miller Library, presented a 1 day workshop in October, in Silver City, N.M. The conference program will be a panel discussion on "Computers as Tutors" and will be held Thursday. The nominee for Vice-Chair, Chair elect is Cheryl Whitlow.

Trustees and Friends

No written report

George Marr reported that the RT will have a conference program on methods for raising library funds. The nominee for Vice-Chair, Chair elect is Carol King, of Albuquerque.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Awards

Karen Watkins gave the report for Nancy Fischer.

Award nominees are:

Honorary Life Membership:	Lois Godfrey
Librarian of the Year:	Lowell Duhrsen, Joseph Sabatini
Legislator of the Year :	Anthony Williams
Trustee of the Year:	Carol King

Bylaws

No written report

Cheryl Wilson reported that bylaw changes will be brought before the general membership at the conference NMLA Business Meeting. Cheryl also noted that the Blue Books have been updated, but that each board member should check their book.

Conference Arrangements

No report

Conference Site

Michael Miller reported that contracts for the 1991 conference have been submitted to Gloria Trujillo, and that the committee recommends acceptance of the contracts. Michael thanked the members of the committee for their hard work.

Manuel Fred Barraza has been nominated as Chair of the Conference Site Committee for 1992.

Education

Kathy Flanary reported that the 1989-90 education grants were awarded as follows:

Bonnie Hopkins	\$200 (Represent NM at ALA)
Joyce Etulain	\$200 (Represent NM at ALA)
Ruth Krug	\$125 (seminar)
Karen Stabler	\$200 (Workshop)
Judy Neff	\$ 75 (Tuition)

Kay Krehbiel was selected to receive the annual Marion Dorroh Scholarship in the amount of \$1,500. She will attend the University of Arizona Graduate Library Science School. The committee conference program is titled "The Color Of Reading: The Eyes Have It" and will be presented on Friday.

Legislation & Intellectual Freedom

Susan Oberlander reported the highlights of the year which included:

Legislative interviews – 11 interviews with different legislators were published in the NMLA Newsletter;

Legislative Network - was streamlined and a contact for each legislator was found this year;

Legislative Session - All legislative goals were met;

Privacy Act - Six workshops were held on the act;

Handbook - New Intellectual Freedom Handbook was published and distributed

Censorship - New coalition of groups in N.M. working to protect 1st Amendment rights was formed; and

National Events - Committee represented N.M. at the Roll Call fo the States and will do so at Legislative Day in Washington, D.C. this month.

Library Development

Deborah McBeth reported that the 1990-91 work program will be discussed during the conference and a final work program will be presented at the post conference Executive Board Meeting.

Membership

Alison Almquist reported that as of March 23, 1990, total NMLA membership numbered 508. All divisions have voting status, and all roundtables have an active status, but the Documents and Local and Regional History roundtables do not have sufficient members for coting status. Alison thanked the committee members.

Lois Godfrey spoke of the need to do a better job of involving school librarians in the association. Claire Odenheim remarked that since many schools have cut all travel funds making it impossible for many librarians to attend the NMLA Conference, some may feel no need to join NMLA, Kathy Flanary suggested the possibility of dividing the state into regions with regional organizations and mini-conferences that may be more accessible to librarians, and that may appeal more to regional interests. Daryl Black said that within the auspices of the Public Relations Committee, there are plans to establish a Speaker's Bureau to speak around the state about NMLA. Joe Sabatini noted that is we have more NMLA sponsored continuing education programs around the state we will naturally gain more exposure and credit ability as an organization. Bed Wakashige said that if the NMSL is considering more outreach and development, perhaps it would be wise to collaborate with NMLA on workshops. Cheryl Wilson said that the association needs to have more programs geared to practical information of interest to library staff people rather than gearing everything to professional librarians.

Nominating

Karen Watkins reported that the committee supervised the election of officers for the 1990-91 year. Ballots were mailed on February 1, 1990 to all member of NMLA. The postmark deadline for returning ballots was March 1, 1990. The committee met on March 23 to count ballots. A total of 217 ballots were received, of which 2 were declared invalid based on the postmark deadline. The new officers are:

2nd Vice President Drew Harrington
Secretary Dinah Jentgen (2 yr. Term)

Karen Watkins thanked the committee.

Public Relations

Daryl Black gave the report.

The committee upgraded its products and publicity with the following.

1) A fine art Reading Promotion poster was produced as the first joint project of 3 organizations- NMLA, NMSL, and the N.M. Coalition for Literacy. Each organization contributed \$1,500.00 to the project. Fred Barraza donated his art work. The poster title is "Reading in New Mexico- 1990".

2) A professional PSA Announcement was produced by KOAT-TV featuring the poster and advertising National Library Week. The PSA began on April 4, 1990 and featured Nelson Martinez.

3) Newly designed and professional typeset certificates of appreciation were created as awards for winners in the annual poster contest.

The committee recommends that this upgrading process continues so a more progressive image of NMLA will continue.

Kathy Flanary suggested that in the future it might be a good idea to make the date on the reading poster smaller.

Publications

Sever Bordeianu reported that the change in the structure of the committee undertaken earlier in the year is working well. Sever has agreed to serve as chair of the committee for another year.

Special Committee on Automation Planning

Karen Watkins reported that the Long Range Automation Plan was mailed to all NMLA members as well as other interested parties in March, 1990.

Project serial, a statewide serials union list project included in the plan, is underway, sponsored by the NMSL.

The N.M. Consortium of Academic Libraries is beginning to plan for possible legislative requests in 1991 to partially fund projects MICRO, DATA, and RECON. All three projects support the production of MARC records; a priority of NMCAL.

Special Committee on Non-Member Database

Cheryl Wilson reported that the database has approximately 1,500 names. A final report will be presented at the June meeting of the Executive Board.

Special Committee on State Library

Lois Godfrey reported that the committee was very successful in accomplishing its goal of stopping the decline in the State Library budget, with much help from NMLA members and friends. A questionnaire about the NMSL was developed, distributed and tabulated with a 24 page summary covering the responses. Survey results for appropriate counties were hand carried to legislators with a brief discussion of the importance of the State Library. In December a large group of supporters attended the Legislative Finance Committee hearing on the Office of Cultural Affairs budget, which included the State Library. Various other efforts were made as well, with very positive results. Lois reminded everyone of the continuing need to be visible and to show our support of issues to legislators.

Special Committee on Professional Staffing: No Report

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Special Committee on Promotional Materials: No written report. Daryl Black reported that the work of this committee was absorbed into the Public Relations Committee and that they feel their work was completed with the successful completion of the reading poster.

Special Committee on Conference Site Guidelines: No written report. Daryl Black re-read the committee report for those who did not attend the January Executive Board Meeting. Daryl Black moved that the board accept the conference site guidelines. Penny Grigsby seconded ... passed.

Mini Conference: Daryl Black had nothing new to report.

New Mexico Coalition for Literacy: Drew Harrington read Kathy Costa's report. Media coverage of the annual meeting of the coalition generated great interest in literacy programs, as evidenced by a great increase in calls to the 800 number. The New Mexico Optometric Association has instituted a program of free exams and glasses for literacy students. New staff has been hired at the NMCL office--Jesse Kline, Project Coordinator; and Penelope Stowell, Resource Development.

The NM Literacy Theater was established and did performances. A strong legislative initiative resulted in passage of a bill in the 1990 legislature funding new and existing literacy programs.

OLD BUSINESS: No old business

NEW BUSINESS: No new business

ANNOUNCEMENTS: President Gloria Trujillo thanked the members of the Executive Board for their hard work and achievements, and expressed her pleasure in having worked with them.

ADJOURNMENT: On a motion by Daryl Black, seconded by Deborah Eagan, the meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.