NEW MEXICO LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
Minutes of the Second Business Session
Thirty-Seventh Annual Meeting
Woman’s Club, Roswell, New Mexico, April 30, 1960 - 3 PM

Mrs. Helen B. Saunders, President, presiding.

Mrs. Saunders called for reports from the Division and Section meetings:

Trustee Division, Mrs. W. H. Gary reported a successful workshop on the theme “Better Boards Building Better Libraries and Communities”. Officers elected for 1960-1961: Mrs. W.H. Gary, Chairman; Mrs. George Tichy, vice-chairman; Miss Violet Shepherd, Secretary; Mrs. W. Add Painter, Treasurer.

Public Library Section, Miss Lillian E. Maddox reported an interesting and instructive program on the theme “Work Smarter, Not Harder”. 35 present. Salary and Tenure Committee appointed as follows: Miss Octavia Fellin, Chairman; Mrs. Elsa Thompson and Mrs. Grace Jackson. Mrs. Elizabeth York was elected chairman for 1960-1961.

College, Universities and Special Libraries Section, Mr. Charles W. Sargent reported an inspiring address by Dr. Arthur McAnally on “Library Education: Where do we go from here?”. Following officers for 1960-1961 elected: Mr. Martin Spear, Chairman; Miss Marjorie Dick, Secretary. No action taken on Salary and Tenure Committee.

Children, Young People and School Libraries Section, Miss Fay Harding reported a demonstration of Paper Sculpture and a Panel Report on the Denver Workshop. 45 present. New Officers: Mrs. Mildred Neal, Chairman; Miss Mary Lindley, Co-chairman. The Section recommended that NMLA again recommend that the New Mexico State Department of Education be urged to establish the position of Library Supervisor with a qualified librarian appointed to this position. This person would plan and administer all service to public school libraries. It is recommended that the Standards for School Library Programs published by ALA in 1960 be used as a guide to establish this office. It is further recommended that this person cooperate closely with the State Library Commission. It was moved by Mrs. Kleghorn, seconded by Mrs. Carlisle that the Association make this recommendation to the State Department of Education. Carried.

Mr. Werner reported on the Bibliographical Center in Denver in the absence of Miss Eulalia Chapman.

The amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws were presented for vote. It was moved by Mrs. Neal, seconded by Mrs. York that the Constitution be amended as presented. Carried. Moved by Mrs. Myrtle Carlisle, seconded by Mrs. Elizabeth Morgan that the By-Laws be amended as presented. Carried. The exact amendments are filed with the secretary. In brief the amendment to the Constitution provided that the official representatives of NMLA to ALA and SWLA be voting members of the Executive Board of NMLA. The amendment to the By-Laws provided for the nomination of these representatives by the nominating committee at the regular intervals provided for the election of such representatives and that nothing be construed as preventing the concurrent holding of an office in the association and serving as representative of the association.
Mrs. Saunders asked for nominations for the position of NMLA Councilor to ALA, a four year term. Miss Gertrude Hill nominated Mr. Edward Werner. Mrs. York moved, Miss Lewis seconded that nominations be closed and Mr. Wener elected by acclamation. Carried.

Mrs. Saunders asked for nominations for the position of delegate to SWLA, a two year term. Mr. Kelly nominated Mr. Jay Ladd. Mrs. Painter moved, Miss Trammell seconded that nominations be closed and Mr. Ladd elected by acclamation. Carried.

Mrs. Saunders announced the Handbook about ready for printing.

The nominating committee reported as follows: Vice-President and President-Elect, Carolyn C. Marshal; Secretary, Mrs. Elizabeth York; Treasurer, Mr. Walter McGuire. There being no further nominations for any of the above offices from the floor, it was moved by Mrs. Perkins, seconded by Miss Maddox that the nominations be closed and the officers as presented by the nominating committee be elected by acclamation. Carried.

Mrs. Bertha Allen was introduced as President for 1960-1961. Mrs. Allen was appointed by the Executive Board to fill the vacancy of Vice-President and President-Elect created by the resignation of Mrs. Ardith Melloh.

Miss Elizabeth Kelly of El Paso Public Library extended a cordial invitation to all NMLA members to the joint meeting with TLA April 12-15, 1961 in El Paso.

The Resolutions Committee, Mrs. Mary Shovlin, Chairman, gave its report. Complete report filed with Secretary.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Carolyn C. Marshall
Secretary