NEW MEXICO LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

MINUTES

Second Business Meeting     April 18, 1969     Hobbs     Holiday Inn

The meeting was called to order at 10:40 a.m. by Miss Helen Ketola, President.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Jack Key, Treasurer, gave a tentative report which included some of the expenses of the conference. Total disbursements were $1,929.24; registration fees collected were $434 for 217 people; the balance in the checking account was $6,192.62. Total membership was 299, while receipts from dues to were $1,653.50 as compared to a membership of 412 and dues of $1,736 reported at the 1968 Conference. Statistics for 1969 membership were – College, University and Special 74, Public 47, Children’s & Young People’s 94, Associate 4, Trustee 46, Institutional 34.

Miss Ketola announced that Mr. B. W. Jester, owner of New Mexico Bookbinders, had contributed $350 to the scholarship fund.

Mr. Joe Sabatini read a resolution encouraging all New Mexico librarians to assist the Western Interstate Council of Higher Education (WICHE) during their comprehensive survey of library education needs in New Mexico. Mrs. Helen Redman cautioned that although the survey is both necessary and important, it alone can not accomplish the goal of library education. Mr. Sabatini’s motion was seconded and passed.

Miss Fay Harding reported that the new media standards for school libraries were reviewed by George Morey at the meeting of the Children’s and Young People’s Section. A committee will continue the study begun on cooperation of librarians and AV people. Mrs. Blanche Woolls will represent the section at the ALA meeting in June. New officers are Mrs. Elizabeth Jefferson, Chairman; Mrs. Doris Cox, Vice-Chairman; Mrs. Shirley Houston, Secretary-Treasurer. Members favored Albuquerque as the convention site for 1970, Roswell for 1971. They would retain the Wednesday-Friday schedule.

Miss Elizabeth Morgan reported for the Trustees Section the decisions to continue their newsletter and to promote an increase of membership. Mr. C. James Cook of Santa Fe is Vice-Chairman; Mrs. Charles Tansey of Farmington is Secretary-Treasurer. No poll was taken to determine the preference as to convention sites and scheduling of conferences.

Mr. Don Riechmann recalled lively discussions about the services of public libraries in the Section meeting. A bylaws committee will be appointed. New officers are Mrs. Brooke Shelton, Chairman; Miss Elizabeth Cooper, Vice-Chairman. The majority voted to alternate convention sites between Albuquerque and other cities in the state and to schedule Thursday-Saturday dates.

Mr. Arthur Freed submitted for filing the proposed bylaws for the College, University and Special Libraries Section. He announced as incoming officers Miss Marilyn Pendleton,
Chairman; Mr. Orin Hatch, Vice-Chairman/Chairman Elect; Mrs. Lois Godfrey, Secretary-Treasurer. Future goals as developed by an Ad Hoc Committee with Brother Brendon as Chairman were presented at the Section Meeting. Section members indicated a desire for a Wednesday-Friday convention schedule and for Albuquerque and Roswell as convention sites for 1970 and 1971, respectively.

Mr. Gar Elison presented five recommendations from the Committee on State Documents. NMLA was asked to request that the State Library become the distribution center for State documents in order to centralize information for a checklist of state publications. All librarians were asked to obtain a copy of the checklist issued by the State Records Center in Santa Fe. Titled Publications of New Mexico State Agencies, it should be consulted for the basic needed publications. Also, each librarian was asked to obtain a listing of the publications of his municipality to enclose with the reply to a questionnaire mailed recently by the committee. The officers of last year will continue to serve.

Miss Octavia Fellin reported for the newly created Committee To Extend Library Services. Their three functions include the investigation of means of extending library service to the disadvantaged. She advised that everyone would be asked to help by describing projects the library would like to initiate if time and/or money and staff were available. Committee members are Miss Fellin, Chairman; Miss Elizabeth Cooper, and Mrs. Mary Denny.

Mr. George Morey named as members of the Professional Development Committee Miss Karlene Cason, Mrs. Lois Dildine, Mrs. Dorothy Trester, and Mrs. Herbert Callaway (trustee). A geographically divided list of librarians will be compiled to serve as a mailing list to facilitate notification as to workshops planned, etc.

The slate of nominees for office was read by the secretary. No nominations were made from the floor. The motion that the nominations be closed was seconded and passed. The motion that the nominees be elected by acclamation was seconded and passed. The new officers are:

- Miss Calla Ann Crepin, Vice-President/Pres. Elect - Sandia Corporation Technical Library, Albuquerque
- Dr. Elinor McCloskey, Secretary - Albuquerque Public Schools
- Mr. Richard Gallagher, Treasurer - Farmington Public Library

Mrs. Helen Melton announced the following appointments to chair standing committees for 1969-70, which must be tentative because of changes proposed in the revised Constitution and Bylaws:

- Mrs. Juanell Haddock - Convention Sites
- Mrs. Virginia Ewing - Editorial
- Miss Octavia Fellin - C. To Extend Library Services
- Mrs. Lois Godfrey - Legislation and Intellectual Freedom
- Mr. George Morey - Professional Development
- Mrs. Mary Grilly - Publicity & National Library Week
- Miss Marilyn Pendleton - Scholarship and Recruitment
Mrs. Mildred Breiland presented the revised, proposed Constitution and Bylaws. After the possibility of voting on the documents was discussed, a motion was made that the revised Constitution and Bylaws be published in the next possible issue of the New Mexico Libraries along with a removable ballot. During discussion it was suggested that a more economical means of distribution would be advisable. The motion was defeated. Then, it was moved that copies be duplicated and distributed to members along with a ballot. The documents would be accepted upon approval of at least two-thirds of the members returning the ballots within one month after mailing. The motion was seconded and passed.

Mr. Morey observed that there was still time for a resolution from NMLA favoring continuation of the federal programs, Title II ESEA and Title III NEDA. He urged members to write Congressmen. Also, he reported progress on a copyright law proposed by Congress. Two motions were introduced, seconded and passed--that the Executive Board frame a resolution with Mr. Morey’s aid concerning Title II and Title III, and that a resolution be drafted to support the NEA recommendation concerning copyright laws.

Miss Ketola thanked Mrs. Melton and the Convention Committee for making the conference a success. She announced as convention site for 1970 Albuquerque, with the dates April 15, 16, 17 (Wed.-Fri.) scheduled. Roswell is the choice, tentatively, for 1971.

The meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Alice Cox Wynne (Mrs. Wm. J.)
Secretary