

NEW MEXICO LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Business Meeting
Santa Fe, NM
April 27, 1989

The Business Meeting of the New Mexico Library Association was called to order by President Karen Watkins at 3:45 p.m. in the Anasazi Room of the El Dorado with 58 people in attendance.

Karen Watkins reported on the activities of NMLA during the year. The Association is responsible for handling and investing over \$100,000. Membership is nearly 500 which includes 20 institutional members. The Association has been active and successful in legislation and automation thanks to the legislative network and many others. In the area of automation a special committee drafted a plan which will receive its first public hearing at this conference. In terms of streamlining association routine, we have transferred much printing and mailing to the Lindsey Co. during the year while retaining editorial and policy making authority. There has never been a local MLS program but largely due to the efforts of the NMLA Education Committee courses will be offered in Albuquerque this fall and coming spring.

MINUTES

Upon motion (Linda Avery/Bob Pierson), the minutes of the business meeting of 1988 were accepted as printed in the April 1989 Newsletter.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Ellanie Sampson reported that budget copies were available at the head table. The association began this year with an opening balance of \$8238. Upon closing the books in April, the balance was \$5592.93. Conference figures are not included in this balance.

ALA COUNCILOR

Lowell Duhrsen highlighted his term as Councilor. Everyone should attend one Council meeting. Ben Wakashige will attend the Dallas meeting. The structure of the next White House Conference is not yet known. Detailed reports appeared in the Newsletter.

STATE LIBRARIAN

Virginia Hendley reported on activities of the past year including the Talking books exhibit, the Reference institute developed under LS 2000, the 40 libraries on electronic mail (of which only a few were State Library funded), 17 fax installations, and 12 Bibliofile grants. The state library is developing a week institute on children's services. The state library is celebrating its 60th anniversary year. A history of the State Library written by Daryl Black will soon be published.

REPORT FROM THE CONFERENCE PROGRAM CHAIR

Gloria Trujillo announces the Committee Chairs that would take office Sat.
Archivist: Paul Agriesti, Awards: Nancy Fischer, Bylaws & Procedures: Cheryl Wilson,
Conference Arrangements: Pam Wellons, Conference Site: Michael Miller, Education: Kathy Flanary, Legislation & Intellectual Freedom: Susan Oberlander/Thaddeus Bejnar, Library Development: Deborah McBeth, Nominations & Elections: Karen Watkins, Membership:

Allison Almquist, Publications: Carol Joiner, Publicity: Susie Sonflieth, Special Committee on Non-member Database: Cheryl Wilson, Special Committee on Automation Planning: Karen Watkins, Special Committee on Promotion Materials: Daryl Black.

CONFERENCE ARRANGEMENTS

Daryl Black reported registration of about 425. Please complete the evaluation form.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Heidi Sims report was read by Karen Watkins. The newsletter was streamlined this year via a publishing contract with the Lindseys. Only one editor is now needed and costs have been cut. Regarding the postconference newsletter remember the Procedural Handbook calls for committee annual reports for this newsletter if not published in the pre-conference newsletter. Also needed are the names of new officers of NMLA, division and round table officers, and committee chairs and members. The deadline for submission is May 6, 1989. Karen Watkins suggested that committees and roundtables have a special member to do the newsletter report.

REPORTS FROM DIVISIONS

College, University and Special Libraries Division

Stan Ruckman reported that the work goals sought last year were not met. The draft survey on microcomputers has been developed but not mailed. Ben Wakashige is incoming chair. Donna Cromer is chair-elect nominee. The work goals primarily consist of one – a joint conference with Arizona academic librarians in the fall of 1989.

Public Libraries Division

Erna Wentland reported both work goals were successfully addressed via the pilot program of library cards for children developed in Clovis and by the mailing of state documents information to libraries. Documents mailing is planned to continue annually. Mary Lou Gooch is the new chair. Sandy White vice chair/chair-elect was elected at the noon meeting.

School Libraries, Children and Young Adult Services Division

Sarah Henderson reported that the work goals of last year were completed. The Land of Enchantment Children's Book Award for 1988 was "Dollhouse Murders" by Betty R. Wright. The incoming chair will be Katherine Harrington. The booklet "Libros en Resena de Nuevo Mexico – Books on Review from New Mexico" was prepared by Dorothy Kahler. Due to the small number of suitable books this will be the last edition and it will be distributed at the business meeting. In keeping with the new work goal, future reviews will be published in an NMLA newsletter column. Two workshops on school library guidelines were presented. A joint committee with Intellectual Freedom Committee wrote an intellectual freedom policy statement. The Incoming chair is Claire Odenheim.

REPORTS FROM ROUND TABLES

Documents Roundtable

Norma McCallan reported on the cooperative documents mailing with the Public Library Division and the completion of other work goals including adding the 25th and final state depository library. The nominees for vice-chair and chair-elect, Sandra Netherius and Reuben Aragon respectively, were elected at the conference program/business meeting.

Library Instruction Round Table

Kate Clarke reported that, except for the fall workshop, the roundtable completed its work program goals. The newsletter request for articles about successful instructional techniques has received no response. The NMLA-LIRT is affiliated with the national organization LIRT Affiliates Information Network, no fee involved. The nominee for Vice-chair/chair-elect, Sylvia Ortiz was elected. Deborah Eagan is incoming chair. The work program was accepted.

Local and Regional History Round Table

Betty Reynolds reported that the roundtable is still seeking new sources for sales of "New Mexico Local and County Histories", probably outside NM. Sales this year totaled \$407.50 to yesterday. There are about 400 copies left, so revision has not been pursued. The vice-chair nominee is Ruth Bernstein.

LUISA Round Table

Kathy Costa clarified LUISA: it stands for Library Use and Information Services to Spanish Speaking Americans. Bernice Comstock Martinez is the nominee for vice chair/chair-elect. The survey of Spanish language collections sent to over 600 names received less than 45 completed surveys. A future newsletter article will give the results.

Native American Libraries Round Table

Lois Fellows reported the work program was completed--the highlight was the fall workshop at Zuni Public Library. The NCLIS visit seemed successful. Lee Platero was elected chair at the program attended by about 50 persons. Lois Fellows was elected as round table vice-chair to ensure continuity.

Non-Print/NMAECT Round Table

Pat Carr announced that Jerry Klopfer had resigned and Pat Larr the vice chair replaced him in April. There were some problems with the goal regarding membership, as some of AECT policies were not helpful. Members are needed. The round table will seek continuity with chair Earl Phillips and Virginia Whitney as vice-chair/chair elect. Efforts will be undertaken to see if the roundtable is meeting the needs of the organization or if it is duplicating or overlapping. Plans include redefining the role of the round table and preparing a brochure for promotion purposes. Work goals were approved with minor changes at the program attended by some 40 persons. Consideration will be given to changing the name of the round table so that it will not start with a negative.

Online Round Table

Roger Steeb reported that efforts are underway to plan a workshop for this fall on computer-assisted searching. Roger drafted some material for beginning on-line search services and, although elementary, it is available from Roger. The nominee for vice-chair/chair-elect is Peggy Giltrow, Penny Grigsby is the incoming chair.

Trustees and Friends Roundtable

Katie Kierst reported that two goals had been completed and that membership had been increased. The trustees handbook which has not been completed will continue as a coming year goal. Nominees for vice-chair and chair were George Marr and James Benefiel respectively and both were elected. The round table worked hard at supporting the Library bond issue. The work program goals adopted for next year are very similar to those of last year.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Awards Committee

Jeanette Smith reported successful completion of the work program. Award winners, to be presented at the banquet, are as follows:

Trustee of the Year:	John Hadsell
Community Achievement Award:	Ellanie Sampson
Legislator of the Year:	J. Paul Taylor
Librarian of the Year:	Susan Oberlander and George Morey
Honorary Life Membership:	Elinor McCloskey

Also many thanks to all involved in the Friends of NM Libraries and Library Books '88.

Bylaws & Procedures Committee

Cheryl Wilson presented bylaw changes that were proposed in the preconference newsletter.

1) To change the number of business meetings held during the annual conference, Article IV: Annual conference shall be held which shall include at least one business meeting. Motion by Cheryl with second by Betty Reynolds, passed. 2) Change at term at office for the secretary Article VII Officer term and duty Section IV: The secretary shall serve for 2 years. Cheryl moved/Betsy Kraus second, passed. 3) This amendment relates to reporting membership totals. Over the years conflicts occurred by considering association membership numbers for voting versus personal membership. All membership references in Article XIV were changed to "personal" members. Extensions of conference registration dates impacted on membership numbers; therefore Article XI Section IV would be changed to 15 calendar days prior to the first day of conference as the date for membership count. Cheryl moved, second Drew Harrington. Discussion followed. Passed.

Conference Site Committee

Betsy Kraus reported that the committee recommendation that the 1990 NMLA Annual Conference be held in Albuquerque at the Albuquerque Convention Center/Doubletree Hotel on April 18-21, 1990 was approved by the board.

Education Committee

Susan Oberlander reported that the committee awarded education grants of \$200 each to Stefanie Wittenbach, Jenny Rayson, and Kathryn Sowa to attend conferences. The B&I Grassroots Grant of \$250 to a student of library science to attend NMLA was awarded to Laurie Macrae. The Marion Dorroh Scholarship was awarded to Lyndie Frame who will attend Columbia University. The committee also completed arrangement for the University of Arizona to teach library science courses in Albuquerque in 1989-90.

Legislation and Intellectual Freedom Committee

Lois Godfrey and Elaine Shannon co-chairs. Lois Godfrey reported that legislative activities were extensive, expensive, and aggressive. Success was our reward with the passage of the bond issue, instructional materials damage, state records and archives building, NMIMT library, Literacy, Literacy for children at risk, and the Library Privacy Act, also the defeat of the Obscenity Act. Many thanks to all for the grass roots support that enabled these successes. Workshops conducted included the preconference "How to stand up for intellectual freedom" with Dr. Gene Lanier.

Library Development Committee

Betty Long reported that the committee completed its work program goals. Also the committee offered new procedures for the future work of this committee. The draft Goals and Work Program for 1989-90 were prepared and will be finally adopted at the Executive Board meeting Saturday.

Membership Committee

Perlinda Shelton reported on efforts to increase membership. A special committee was established to determine feasibility of membership pins and NMLA logo products. The final personal membership including honorary members is 486. There are 20 institutional and commercial members. All divisions and roundtables retain full voting status except Documents which is the only roundtable at this time that does not have voting status.

Nominations and Elections Committee

Harris Richard reported on 2 completed activities: 1) balloting for 3 proposed bylaws amendments (honorariums and reimbursements for NMLA members, membership requirement for officers and executive board members, and changing the name of the Publicity Committee to the Public Relations Committee) all passed overwhelmingly; and 2) the election of 1989-90 officers: 2nd Vice- President, Daryl Black; Secretary, Drew Harrington; Treasurer, Carol Myers (2-yr. term) and ALA Councilor, Ben Wakashige (4-yr. term).

Publications Committee

Ruth Krug reported that the Lindseys signed a contract with us through June 1990. Heidi Sims is sole editor (she will continue one more year). The deadline for newsletter items was moved up to one week after each Board meeting. Procedures for mailing were revised and distributed for the Procedural Handbook.

Public Relations Committee

Bambi Adams reported the committee goals were met. Prize awards for the poster contest were expanded to four prizes per category and categories changed to age groups. The direct mailing promotion was the most successful and is recommended. National Library Week press releases were sent out with bookmarks based on the 1988 winning posters. Scrapbooks have been assembled of publicity and poster pictures. New committee members are: Toni Beatty, Mark Adams and Jo Anne Colley. Susan Sonflieth is chair.

Special Committee on Mountain Plains Library Association

Joe Sabatini presented the report from Chair Virginia Seiser. Members Virginia Hendley and Sandra Spurlock helped gather and present information to the NMLA Executive Board. The board decided that associated costs outweighed MPLA membership advantages and voted not to join.

Special Committee on Automation Planning

Karen stated that a draft automation plan had been developed. It will be presented during the conference and following. The Board will be asked to review and accept some plan at a later date.

Special Committee for Non-Member Database

Cheryl Wilson stated the committee was examining the feasibility of a non-member data base. This will be a way to reach what may be 1000 nonmembers. Target completion date is Jan., 1990.

Special Committee on Commercial Printing and Mailing Services

Nancy Ebeling reported that the Committee originally was "Special Committee for the Executive Secretary". We do not have an executive secretary but the activity of the committee led to our association with the Lindsey Co. About 150 requests for proposals were sent. Almost 100 responses were received with the Lindsey company winning. They have worked with us over a year and we have renewed their contract.

Special Committee for Promotional Products

Chuck Baldonado was not present. Karen reminded us of the newly designed mugs and shirts being sold this year.

MINI-CONFERENCE

Chuck Baldonado not present – no report.

NEW MEXICO COALITION FOR LITERACY

Susie Sonflieth offered thanks to everyone who contacted legislators and helped enable a successful legislative initiative. An office has been opened and staffed this year. There is an 800 telephone number. Received Gannett Foundation Literacy Challenge Award (1 of 8 that received maximum award last year, 1 of 4 this year, the last of the award years).

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Lois Godfrey presented a resolution for action in support of the State Library. Be it resolved by the NMLA In Conference assembled that there be established a Task Force to support the State Library. Lois moved to adopt the resolution to support the state library with second by Sarah Henderson. Friends of NM Libraries supported this resolution at their meeting this morning. Passed.

Ellanie Sampson made an executive Board presentation to outgoing President Karen Watkins for her hard and good work. A plaque and gift were presented.

On motion (Sarah Henderson/Betty Long) the meeting was adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Louise Leon, Secretary