

NEW MEXICO LIBRARY ASSOCIATION  
 General Business Meeting  
 Farmington Civic Center Auditorium  
 April 30, 1992

The meeting was called to order at 3:40 p.m. by President Daryl Black who introduced the officers sitting on stage. She thanked the Local Arrangements Committee for their hard work in planning such an excellent conference.

OFFICER, NEWSLETTER EDITOR AND STATE LIBRARIAN REPORTS

Secretary's Report: Dinah Lea Jentgen reminded the members that the minutes of the April 18, 1991 report had been printed on pages 22 - 25 of the March 1992 Newsletter as required by Bylaws. She then moved that the minutes be accepted as printed. Betty Long seconded the motion, which passed.

Treasurer's Report: David Null reported that the Association is in good shape financially. \$15,000 was invested in two CD's at the direction of the Board. Income included \$12,443 in dues, \$1185 in advertising for the Newsletter, \$10,365.76 profit from the Roswell Conference, and \$200 from the Mini-conference. It is too early to tell how the Farmington Conference is faring. David reminded the members that in June the Board approved putting all the proceeds from the silent auction into the Scholarship Fund. Sid Margolis moved and Pat Froelich seconded the acceptance of the report. The motion passed.

First Vice-President/1992 Conference Chair: Drew Harrington reported that 312 people registered for the conference, including 49 exhibitors. She recognized members of the Local Arrangements Committee sitting in the auditorium.

Second Vice President: Alison Almquist reported that the Mini-conference was held at New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology in October. Sixty-six people attended a total of nine programs. She thanked Betty Reynolds and her staff for their great job of organizing the event.

ALA Councilor: Ben Wakashige reported that in the last year he attended the Atlanta and San Antonio meetings. The Association is concerned about financial problems. Additional topics of discussion included the implications of "Kreimer v. Morristown", several pieces of Federal legislation, the demise of graduate library schools, and the implications of direct election of the Executive Board. He presented \$100 to the Freedom to Read Foundation on behalf of NMLA.

Newsletter Editor: Stefanie Wittenbach reported changes to the newsletter over the year including a format change to three columns and the use of colored paper for ease of reading. Two special inserts were included this year; resolutions passed by the Second New Mexico Conference on Libraries and Information Services, and the draft Bylaws of the New Mexico Library Foundation, Inc. Carol Myers, as advertising manager, has solicited eleven new ads in addition to the standing

AMIGOS ad. She asked members to submit articles about the conference for publication by May 8.

State Librarian: Karen Watkins reported the addition of a Children Specialist position this year. A General Obligation Bond Issue of \$500,000 for libraries will appear in some form this autumn. A task force to follow up the work of the White House Conference on Libraries and Information Services is being formed. Emporia State will offer an MLS in-state in cooperation with UNM possibly as early as fall 1992. Allen Schwartz is the contact for more information. The State Library has been revising its rules and regulations for services to public libraries. It is also about to install an automation system which may allow external access. The summer reading "Super Sleuth" program will be carried by 125 libraries statewide. Clovis Public Library will run this year's "Battle of the Books". Several new library's holdings will be added to the CD-ROM database of serial holdings. Finally, Marilyn Miller, next year's ALA president has expressed interest in attending our conference in Las Vegas.

## DIVISION REPORTS

College, University, and Special Libraries: Judy Neff reported that Jenny Minter is incoming chair and Carmen Ward vice-chair. Conference speaker will be Dave Brunell speaking on CD-ROM networking.

Public Libraries: Mary Pat Kraemer reported that the division's membership drive has been successful. Goal 1 to assist rural libraries was partly met by participation on the State Library's committee. Goals 2 and 3, to promote training and broaden administration and planning capabilities were met. A draft of the reciprocal borrowing guidelines will be distributed soon. Clara Rey is incoming chair and Bambi Adams will be vice-chair.

School Libraries, Children and Young Adult Services: Randy Gaylor reminded the members that author Gary Paulson will speak at the breakfast meeting. Members will vote on a name change for the division and the nomination of Jerry Klopfer as incoming vice-chair. Serena Douglas will be chair. Also to be discussed are the role of the Division in the Battle of the Books and Free Books for Schools Program, and the role of the State Library in schools. Volunteers are requested for programs at the mini-conference and annual conference, work on the school standards project, and other work items.

## ROUND TABLE REPORTS

Documents: Jeanette C. Smith reported that PSA's have been aired on 14 television stations statewide. Laurie Chaney is incoming chair and Kay Krehbiel is vice-chair. Charles Seavey spoke on Thursday.

Education Technology: Kathy Flanary reported for David Libertore that she is incoming chair and Richard Bell is the nominee for vice-chair. The work goals were met at the mini-conference.

Library Instruction: John Brewster reported that Abigail Hubbard spoke Wednesday afternoon. Betsy McGuckin is incoming chair and Ellanie Sampson is vice-chair.

Local and Regional History: Cheryl Wilson reported that 52 people attended Thursday afternoon's program on Chacoan prehistory. Mary Elms is incoming vice-chair and Cheryl is chair.

LUISA: Elvira Segura Langton reported for Rita Pino Vargas that their meeting was quite

interesting and interactive. New additions were made to the bilingual dictionary. The round table will cosponsor a program at the mini-conference on the quincentennial. Elvira will be chair and Clair Odenheim vice-chair.

Native American Libraries: Barbara Billey reported for Irving Nelson. Luci Tapahonso will speak on Friday morning. Incoming chair is Jean Gonzales and Teresa Naranjo is nominee for vice-chair. During the year the round table presented a workshop sponsored by the Navajo Nation. Irving Nelson testified before the White House Committee in Washington, DC. Goals 1, 2, 4, and 5 were accomplished.

Online: Valerie Horton reported for Cherrill Whitlow. This year's work plan will expand ideas on networking and CD-ROM issues. She is incoming chair and Ruth Krug is vice-chair .

Trustees and Friends: Carol King reported that Thaddeus Bejnar will give a program on limitations and liabilities on Friday. Les Lesperance is incoming chair, but a vice-chair has not yet been identified.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Awards: Nancy Fischer reported receipt of 29 nominations this year. Letters were sent to school administrators and city managers to solicit nominations. The Librarian of the Year Award was changed to New Mexico Library Leadership Award by Board approval.

Bylaws and Procedures: Cheryl Wilson reported that one bylaws change will be voted on by the membership later in the meeting .

Conference Site: Daryl Black reported for Fred Barraza that next year's conference will be March 17- 20 in Las Vegas, New Mexico.

Education: Peggy Tooker reported that two grants were awarded during the year. By next year CEU's may be offered for attendance at workshops and the conference. Three additional grants for library school attendees are being created. Allen Schwartz reported that an advisory committee has been formed for continuing education. Kathryn Lopez is incoming chair.

Legislation and Intellectual Freedom: Susan Oberlander reported that eight legislative interviews were conducted and printed in the Newsletter. The Santa Fe Legislative Day brought 40 people to meet their legislators, and several attended ALA's Legislative Day in Washington, DC. Four workshops were held during the year. The first essay contest on the First Amendment was held. Winner was Chris Little of Tularosa, and second place was Amber Hill of Las Cruces. Laurie Macrae and Ruben Aragon are incoming co-chairs.

Library Development: Marilyn Reeves read the new mission statement as adopted by the Board at the January meeting. She read the goals and work program which will be voted on by the board at Saturday' s meeting, and encouraged members to talk to their chairs if they feel changes are needed.

Local Arrangements: Karen McPheeters reported that unofficial counts show 320-325 attendees, with 56 vendors participating.

Membership: Joe Sabatini reported that this transition year to calendar year memberships went smoothly, with a total of 573 as of April 15. All divisions and round tables achieved voting status. This year the committee plans to rewrite the brochure to include the mission statement. The goal is 600 members by this time next year.

Nominations and Elections: Gloria Trujillo reported that the new slate of officers includes Drew Harrington, President; Alison Almquist, First Vice-President; Barbara Billey, Second Vice-President; David Null, Treasurer; Jeanette Smith, Secretary; and Ben Wakashige, ALA Councilor. Due to a mix-up, Susie Sonfleith will take office as ALA Councilor in January 1994.

Public Relations: Robert Upton reminded the members of the Swap and Share outside the exhibit hall. The goal of the committee is better communications among committees, round tables, and divisions. New procedures to support that goal will be implemented as recognized. Daryl Black is incoming chair.

Publications: No report.

## OTHER REPORTS

Liaison to the New Mexico Coalition for Literacy: Kathy Costa reported to the members that her task is to remind NMCL of NMLA's programs and abilities, and to remind NMLA of NMCL's. She asked the members to be aware of local literacy programs and provide help wherever they can.

Special Committee on Automation and Networking: Allen Schwartz reported that his committee is charged with looking at the current statewide automation plan and updating it as technology and reality permit. A special issue of the Hitchhiker will deal with developments around the state and the committee's work in producing a new edition of the Long Range Automation Plan.

Special Committee on a Permanent Executive Director: John Brewster reported that Drew Harrington, Joe Sabatini, Robert Upton, Randy Gaylor, Marilyn Reeves, and himself were named to the committee. It is charged with exploring the feasibility of creating such a position, and setting the job description and salary scale if the position is approved. So far the committee has reviewed the approaches used by other state library associations and has developed a list of considerations for further study. Most of the smaller states have a half-time executive director, so it is feasible to have a similar position to serve as a permanent contact point; maintain the Association calendar; coordinate among committees, round tables, and divisions; interface with the Lindseys; work with legislation; and organize exhibits for conferences.

Sid Margolis moved and Mary Elms seconded a vote of thanks from the general membership for the hard work of committee chairs and officers during the past year.

Virginia Whitney reminded members of the upcoming AECT conference.

## ITEMS FOR MEMBERSHIP APPROVAL

ALA Councilor job description wording: Cheryl Wilson presented the new wording to reflect the time the ALA Councilor really takes office, the Midwinter meeting as defined by ALA rather than at the NMLA annual conference as currently stated. Cheryl moved and Gloria Trujillo

seconded that the new wording be accepted. The motion passed.

Dissolution and merger of Publications Committee into the Public Relations Committee: Cheryl Wilson moved that the Publications Committee be disbanded and its jobs absorbed by the Public Relations Committee. Randy Gaylor seconded the motion, which passed.

New Mexico Library Foundation: George Marr reported that the Foundation was created as a separate organization for long-term funding of NMLA programs. The committee, comprised of Daryl Black, Carol Myers, Sid Margolis, Chuck Baldonado, David Giltrow, and Thaddeus Bejnar, worked to create the Foundation. Final draft was mailed in the March issue of the Newsletter. Cheryl Wilson moved and Randy Gaylor seconded to accept the Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation of the New Mexico Library Foundation. Discussion ensued. Joe Sabatini moved and Ellanie Sampson seconded the change in Article 2 Section 17 and Article 3 Section 8 from the word "directors" to "trustees". The amendment passed. Thaddeus Bejnar moved and Mary Elms seconded to change the word "earned" to "dividend and interest" in Article 8 sections 3 and 4. That amendment passed. Dinah Jentgen moved and Nancy Fischer seconded to amend the documents throughout, changing the use of "he" and "him" to more inclusive language wherever they occur. That amendment also passed. The original motion to accept the Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation was amended to accept the three changes, the motion carried, and the Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation were accepted. George announced the distribution of pledge cards and envelopes at the banquet to kick off the fundraising. Charter supporters giving \$25 or more will receive a certificate of charter.

Technical Services Roundtable: Anne Morgan presented to the members a petition with 60 signatures requesting creation of a Technical Services Roundtable. The Board approved the creation in January. Gary Mayhood has been selected as chair and Barbara Spivey as vice-chair. Anne moved that the roundtable be created. Sarah Henderson seconded, and the motion passed.

Old Business: Drew Harrington read to the membership a list of all committee chairs for the coming year.

New Business: Ellanie Sampson reported that the Bibliophile User Group, known as BUG, held a successful pre-conference workshop. This is the first user's group in the nation, and since its inception others have been formed in the country.

Stefanie Wittenbach reminded the members of the May 8, 1992 deadline for the next newsletter.

The meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dinah Lea Jentgen  
Secretary