

NEW MEXICO LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Executive Board Meeting

April 16, 1969

Ramada Inn: Hobbs

Present:

Helen Ketola, pres.

Helen Melton, v.p.

Alice Wynne, secy.

Jack Key, treas.

Pearce Grove, ALA coun.

Art Freed, C. U. & Sp. L.

Don Riechmann, Pub. Libr.

Mildred Breiland, Comm. on Comm.

Juanell Haddock, Conv. Sites

Elisabeth Morgan, Trustees Div.

Dorothy Watkins, Ex Officio

Mildred Barrett, Past Pres.

Guest: Janice Key, Libr. Ser. Pro.
Off.

The meeting was called to order at 3:25 p.m. by Miss Ketola.

The minutes of the previous meeting (2/15/69) were approved as corrected.

Copies of a treasurer's report covering the period since August 1968 were distributed. Total disbursements were \$1,277.44; the balance in the checking account was \$5,576.01. To continue the attempt to secure the Federal Income Tax exemption for NMLA, Mr. Key had been advised by a lawyer to submit a new application omitting the statement that a state exemption had been secured. Although Mr. Key wrote ALA for advice, he had received no reply.

Mrs. Barrett reported for Miss Christine Buder, Editor, regret that the Spring Issue of New Mexico Libraries had not been returned from the printers in time to mail members before the Annual Meeting and also that the cover featuring the color design by Pablita Velarde had not materialized. Copies of the issue will be distributed at the First Business Session.

The report of the Nominating Committee was printed in the Spring Issue of New Mexico Libraries. Mrs. Barrett circulated a copy.

Miss Ketola discussed a meeting with the Audio-Visual people. The formation of an Instructional Media Council had been proposed. The Children's and Young People's Section could benefit from the cooperation possible with the AV people. No motion was made to sanction such a council, and the matter was tabled. If the Section requests a Council, the Executive Board will take action.

Miss Ketola summarized the report of the Legislation and Intellectual Freedom Committee. A letter from Tom Donnelly, lobbyist, contained two suggestions for future action, meeting to prepare for the next session of the legislature and drafting an obscenity law least objectionable to librarians and communications people. Mr. Grove suggested that we contact the associations of groups engaged in communications to try to agree on a stand on censorship. A poll of members of the Executive Board revealed that they are opposed to drafting an obscenity bill.

Miss Haddock distributed information concerning the requirements for staging a convention. Of the cities supplying information, Albuquerque was considered for 1970, Ruidoso for 1971. Mr. Grove observed that the Roswell Campus of Eastern New Mexico University has adequate facilities. This was formerly the Walker Air Force Base. Mr. Riechmann suggested obtaining the preference of members as to sites. If the largest possible attendance could be guaranteed,

membership might be increased. Scheduling the convention on Thursday, Friday and Saturday will be considered also.

Mrs. Breiland distributed copies of her written report and of the revision suggested for the Constitution and Bylaws. After she discussed the seven major changes from the present documents, members of the Board agreed upon several changes in wording.

The meeting broke for dinner, assembling again to further analyze the documents. Mr. Grove moved that dues for Institutional Members be increased to \$5.00. The motion was seconded and passed.

A work session was scheduled for 5 p.m. April 17, 1969, to finish considering the revisions.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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