

NEW MEXICO LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Executive Board Meeting

April 18, 1969

Holiday Inn, Hobbs

Present:

Helen Ketola, pres.

Helen Melton, v.p.

Elinor McCloskey, secy. ('69-'70)

Mildred Barrett, Past Pres.

Calla Ann Crepin, v.p. ('69-'70)

Pearce Grove, ALA coun.

Dorothy Watkins, Ex Officio

Christine Buder, Editor

Mildred Breiland, Comm. on Comm.

Elisabeth Morgan, Trustees Div.

Fay Harding, Ch. & Y. P.

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

Don Riechmann, Pub. Libr.

Brooke Sheldon, Pub. Libr. ('69-'70)

Elizabeth Jefferson, Ch. & Y. P. ('69-'70)

Marilyn Pendleton, Schol. & R ('69-'70)

George Morey, Prof. Dev.

The meeting was called to order at 2:15 p.m. by Miss Ketola.

The reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with.

Miss Ketola began a discussion of the treasurer's report given at the Second Business Meeting. It was verified that while membership was less than last year, total dues collected were not considerably below. Possibly the raise in dues is responsible for both facts. Membership also declines in the years the convention is not held in Albuquerque or Santa Fe. A proposal was made to mail a reminder to members whose dues are overdue. This could also be a good time to ask people for committee choices. It was agreed that notices should be sent to past Association members reminding them of their lapse in membership.

There is a need for a daily fee charge at the Annual Convention. Non-association members attend meetings and benefit from speakers, yet do not contribute toward speaker costs. A suggestion for a \$1.00 fee was made. Miss Morgan pointed out that trustees were not aware of the registration fee. To reduce bookkeeping, name tags for non-members could also show the days they had registered. Mr. Grove moved that the Convention fee be \$3.00 for members and \$6.00 for non-members, or \$2.00 per day. The motion was seconded and passed.

Miss Ketola reminded the Board that this fall the new treasurer must immediately pay the scholarship awards. The Association is always a year behind in budgeting for scholarships since they are awarded in the spring and paid to universities in the fall. At some point the Association must arrange to budget for two years of scholarship awards to eliminate this situation.

Scholarship fund needs should also be mentioned on the reminder slip sent to past members. A suggestion was made and discussed to designate one person in larger libraries to assist the annual membership drives. This could possibly cause antagonism among those being recruited; perhaps the representative could urge membership, distribute membership forms, but not collect dues.

The N.M. Library Education/AV Education Council of representatives from NMLA, N.M. Audio-Visual Assoc. and the Special Libraries Assoc. were considered in relation to the proposed Constitution and Bylaws. Under the ALA definition anyone, whether a member of ALA or not, may be a member of a roundtable, but a roundtable is not part of the official organization of ALA. Miss Ketola brought out the fact that the two types of roundtable now possible need further delineation to prevent confusion. The proposed Constitution and Bylaws do

not apply to the Library Education Roundtable or Council.

The Instructional Media Council was considered. Its makeup consists of members from NMLA Children's and Young People's Section, N.M. Education Assoc. School Library Div. and N.M. Audio-Visual Assoc. Such an organization could not be recognized as a part of NMLA under the proposed Constitution and Bylaws. Since this Council is an informal arrangement between organizations, this does not seem to be a problem.

The annual conference schedule was discussed. Suggestions for revising the format of activities were made. The banquet could be held on the evening of the last day of the conference. The first day could include a general session in the morning and a business meeting in the afternoon. The second day could include division meetings.

Mrs. Melton read Mr. Morey's draft of the resolution from the Association to urge Congressional support of library programs. After agreeing on wording, it was moved to send copies to Senators Yarborough, Anderson and Montoya and to Representatives Flood, Lujan and Foreman. It was suggested that copies also be sent to Germaine Krettek and Ray Fry in Washington.

Changes and additions to the proposed Constitution and Bylaws were discussed by Mrs. Breiland and approved by the Board. It was agreed that matters of auditing and the use of a parliamentary authority should be covered in the NMLA Handbook.

The motion was made and passed that the new Constitution and Bylaws be accepted as amended with the stipulation that Mrs. Breiland's committee rewrite two paragraphs for greater clarity. She will work with Mr. Riechmann and Mrs. Miller on this.

It was established that all paid members would be mailed a copy of the Constitution and Bylaws together with a ballot. Ballots are to be returned to Alice Wynne. The wording of the ballot was approved by the Board. An additional section was suggested to allow for minor disagreement of a point but allow for major acceptance of the documents.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p .m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dr. Elinor McCloskey  
Secretary 1969-1970

addendum

1969 Scholar ship winners: Mr. Clarence Nelson, Jr. of Albuquerque  
Mrs. Mary T. Wilson of Stanford, Calif. (Univ. of New Mexico  
grad. 1969)