

New Mexico Library Association
Executive Board
Spring Pre-Conference Meeting
Roswell Inn, Roswell, New Mexico
April 14, 1971

Present:

Calla Ann Crepin	Alma Daniels	Denis Roark
Peggy Tozer	Crowell Dean	Octavia Fellin
Doris Cox	Elisabeth Cooper	Mary Borland
Dorothy Trester	Helen Melton	Marilyn Pendleton
Christine Buder	Pearce Grove	Doris Lester
Mildred Barrett	Oren Hatch	Jane Dodds

The meeting was called to order by the president, Miss Calla Ann Crepin, at 4:30 p.m.

The minutes were approved as corrected and amended.

Mrs. Alma Daniels, treasurer, distributed copies of the Treasurer's Report, which is published in the summer issue of New Mexico Libraries in entirety. As of this date the balance is \$5850.61 in the checking account and \$1615.92 in bonds, making a total of \$7466.53. Paid memberships as of this date are: Individual - 228, and Institutional - 30. Calla Ann requested when bills are presented to the treasurer, a note should be attached denoting the category in the budget to which the bill should be charged. The Treasurer's Report was accepted.

Division Reports:

Trustee: John Bennett Shaw is at the Conference and will speak at the Trustees' meeting. Dorothy Rosen will act as hostess for the cocktail party in his honor in the absence of Mary Grilly, chairman, who is ill. Marty Riordan, vice-chairman, will act as chairman in her absence. The Trustee Division's Awards Committee has made the selections for the Dallas trip awards, and they will be announced at the banquet.

Public Library: Elisabeth Cooper, chairman, read the report. This group has met only informally, but has formulated plans for future activity. Letters encouraging membership were sent to all libraries not already represented in NMLA. The meeting of this group at the Conference will be in the nature of a work session. Gerald Born, Executive Secretary for Public Libraries and State Libraries Divisions of ALA is being brought to the Conference jointly by ALA and NMLA. The Division was granted a budget of \$500, and reported actual expenditures of \$164.20.

College, University and Special Libraries: No report.

School Libraries, Children and Young Adults: Doris Cox, chairman, reported that letters have been sent to all administrators urging them to give professional leave to librarians to attend the Conference. She also thanked Calla Ann Crepin for writing to Mr. DeLayo at the State Department. New Officers will be reported at the first Business Meeting.

Miss Crepin reminded all chairmen to send written reports to Christine Buder by June 1, 1971, for inclusion in the summer issue of New Mexico Libraries, a copy to Peggy Tozer, and one to the secretary.

Miss Crepin brought up the fact that the Coordinating Committee of the New Mexico Library Development Council had mailed a letter to all NMLA members presenting four action items for implementation by the Association. She asked that all chairmen get feedback from their Divisions by the luncheon time on Friday, and present this information to her.

Scholarship and Recruitment Committee: Marilyn Pendleton, chairman, reported that the committee will present the scholarship recipient at Friday's banquet. Alma Daniels, treasurer, reported that Alice Cox Wynn, the 1960 recipient of the NMLA scholarship, contributed \$20 to the Scholarship Fund with her dues.

Legislation and Intellectual Freedom Committee: Doris Lester, chairman, read the report of the committee and it was accepted. The entire report is published in the summer issue of New Mexico Libraries. The committee began an aggressive, friendly public relations program with the New Mexico legislators. Mrs. Helen Carter of the UNM Law Library assembled existing New Mexico library laws, and gave a copy of the laws to the New Mexico State Library and Commission, and requested codification by the Legislature to include all Attorney General opinions. The committee recommended to the Executive Board that NMLA respectfully suggest to the Governor that the State Library Commission be broadened to be more representative of the publications of the State, reflecting economic, ethnic, age, as well as geographic considerations, and offering to help identify candidates for future appointments.

Calla Ann reported that she had followed up on this recommendation as approved by the Executive Board, in February, with some success, but that to date there has been no announcement of the new appointments.

The committee also worked with the State Library in the last days of the Legislative session to ensure adequate funding for the State Library. They were also instrumental in organizing opposition to two censorship bills introduced into the House and Senate, and the bills were subsequently killed in committee.

The committee recommended that when the State Plan is formulated and ready to move that a full-time lobbyist for the Association would be in order.

Historical Materials Committee. No report.

Documents Committee: The report was accepted as published in New Mexico Libraries.

Constitutions and Bylaws Committee. Mrs. Helen Melton, chairman, reported that the committee recommended: (1) that since ALA no longer deems it necessary for NMLA to have an office of Recruitment Representative, that Article III, section 1 of the Constitution and Bylaws should be amended to delete the appointment of the ALA Recruitment Representative, by the president. (Mrs. Melton will make a motion to this effect at the first Business Meeting); and (2) that the Convention Site Committee be made a Standing Committee. Mrs. Melton moved that the Executive Board recommend to the membership the establishment of the Convention Site Committee as a Standing Committee: (a) with three members, one of whom shall retire each year, and one of whom shall be appointed each year; (b) charged with locating an annual conference site for NMLA and setting appropriate dates; © both site and dates being subject to approval of NMLA Executive Board; (d) other information that this committee will need to function will go into the Procedural Handbook, e.g., (1) how many years ahead sites should be considered, (2) what conflicting dated to avoid, (3) extent of accommodations necessary, etc. The motion was seconded by Octavia Fellin and was passed unanimously.

Committee to Extend Library Service: The report was accepted as printed in New Mexico Libraries. Octavia Fellin, chairman, suggested that it is advisable to have an evaluation of the pre-conference workshop so that it can be used in the planning of future workshops. Quite a few people were turned down for the workshop. Discussion pointed up the need for more workshops, and Calla Ann indicated that this is being scheduled in future activities of the Association.

Special Committee for the Use of Vella Galle's Research: Report of Mrs. Robert Allen, chairman, accepted as printed in New Mexico Libraries.

Convention Site Committee: Crowell Dean reported that the Conference for 1972 is set for Albuquerque, April 26, 27, 28, and possibly 29. Chairman of local arrangement will be Eleanor McCloskey. For 1973 the meeting will be in Las Cruces. The Board concurred. The 1974 Convention site will be Albuquerque. Crowell suggested that an annual Conference or a special meeting be held in Santa Fe to coincide with any "big push" concerning the State Plan. Discussion followed with no resolutions. Discussion of a handbook for a local arrangements committee followed, and Calla Ann asked Crowell Dean to gather information and plan a handbook for presentation to the Executive Board at the fall meeting.

Professional Development Committee: Dorothy Trester reported on the publication of A Directory of New Mexico Libraries, dated Nov., 1970. The two principal accomplishments of the committee have been the preparation of a paper defining the status of New Mexico academic librarians, and the compiling of the directory. Pearce Grove asked that the report of this committee include the fact that data processing printouts or mailings labels are now available. The committee recommended that the charge of this committee be more clearly defined by the incoming committee. The entire report of this committee will be printed in the summer issue of New Mexico Libraries.

Mrs. Mildred Barrett, SWLA representative, read her report which will also be published. She read a motion which will be presented to the Association. The Association is being asked to ratify the new dues structure of SWLA. If it is not ratified, NMLA will lose representation on the SWLA Board. NMLA will be asked to "Ratify the SWLA dues structure which will become effective January 1, 1972, and the treasurer will be instructed to include an option for SWLA dues with NMLA dues; to collect \$4 from each person sent to SWLA, \$1 of which will remain with NMLA; and to provide SWLA with lists of paid-up members. Mrs. Barrett made two announcements: (1) the first vice-president and president-elect of SWLA is Pearce Grove of Eastern New Mexico University; and (2) that Don Riechman and the Albuquerque Chamber of Commerce have issued an invitation to SWLA to meet in Albuquerque in 1976.

Miss Crepin announced her desire to carry out the recommendation of the ALA-SWLA Project Report to have the Association create a Membership Committee as a new Standing Committee of the Association. She circulated copies of the proposed duties of the committee and asked the secretary to present the motion for the proposed amendment at the first General Meeting of the Association. Elisabeth Cooper moved that the Constitution and Bylaws be amended to include as a Standing Committee of NMLA a Membership Committee with five members who will be chosen to give a wide geographic representation to the Committee. The duties of the Committee as presented to the Association appear in the summer issue of New Mexico Libraries in minutes of the Association meetings. Pearce Grove seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously by the Board.

A discussion of mailing lists followed. Miss Crepin announced that she has gone ahead with the choice of an Albuquerque company (Service Enterprises) to code the NMLA membership list as

directed by the Board, for the production of lists and/or labels for maximum usefulness of the Association and its divisions and committees. She suggested (1) contacting NMAVA about inclusion of their membership list along with the NMLA mailing list, (2) including promotional material about NMLA in the NMAVA newsletter, and (3) securing financial support from NMAVA for their share of the coded lists. She asked the Local Arrangements Committee for a follow-up on these suggestions, and Mr. Morey concurred. Dorothy Trester moved that plans proceed as suggested for the production of mailing lists and/or labels by Service Enterprises. George Morey seconded the motion and it was passed.

Miss Crepin read a letter from Mrs. Helen F. Redman, chairman of the New Mexico Library Development Council, which stated that the Development Council will pass out of existence on June 30, 1971. She reiterated that a revision in the Library Services and Construction Act has dropped the requirement for this particular Council. Instead there is to be a new Advisory Council on Libraries that will advise the State Library on the expenditure of all LSCA funds and on the interrelation of all library programs throughout the state. That Council must be formed by June 30. She thanked the Executive Board for their cooperation, especially Christine Buder for publishing numerous progress reports.

Calla Ann stated that a new NMLA Library Development Committee will be appointed jointly by herself and Peggy Tozer before June 30, 1971.

Constitution and Bylaws Committee. Helen Melton, chairman, reported on the proposed amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws as published in the Spring, 1971, issue of New Mexico Libraries. She moved the adoption of the new institutional membership dues structure; the motion was seconded by Pearce Grove and passed by the Board. The schedule will be presented to the Association.

Much discussion followed on the dues structure for retired librarians, interested persons, and students. Mrs. Melton moved that retired librarians' dues remain at \$4. Mildred Barrett seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. It was the consensus of the Board that they were not ready to make a decision on "interested persons' and Students' dues" at this time, and the matter was referred back to Committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane B. Dodds
Secretary