New Mexico Library Association
Executive Board Meeting
New Mexico State Library
Santa Fe, New Mexico
January 27, 1992

The meeting was called to order by President Daryl Black at 1:10 p.m. in the studio of the New Mexico State Library. All present introduced themselves.

Members Present
Paul Agriesti
Alison Almquist
M. Fred Barraza
Brenda Billie
Daryl Black
John Brewster
Laurie Chaney
Nancy Fischer
Randy Gaylor
Elaine Goodman
Drew Barrington

Announcements:
1 ) Marilyn Reeves is ill, so the dinner planned after this meeting is canceled. After the meeting anyone interested in going out to dinner can get together and pick a restaurant.
2) Daryl Black has corresponded a great deal this year with senators and congress people. The correspondence is available for anyone to read.
3 ) Daryl Black attended a “Right to Know” workshop last week. Conditions of attending include a commitment to give six public presentations and/or public relations training sessions this spring. Please contact her if you are interested in scheduling a presentation or training session.

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Secretary: John Brewster moved and Drew Harrington seconded that the minutes be approved as mailed. The motion carried.

Treasurer: Because David Null is attending the Midwinter ALA meeting, Daryl Black read his report. Dues collection has been good, and the Association shows $7,906 in the general account and $5,150.23 in the Marion Dorroh account. The Mini-conference made a modest profit of $200. Daryl is working on obtaining the new tax exempt certificate for the Association. The 1990/91 books have returned from the auditor. Dinah Jentgen moved and John Brewster seconded that the Board accept the report. The motion carried.

First Vice President: Drew Harrington passed out the conference agenda. She added to the printed agendas that the Kokopelli Jazz Group will play at the Awards Banquet, the title of the Technical Services Users' Group program on Friday morning will be “New Mexico Union List: its Creation and Process”, and a program added to Friday afternoon 3:00 - 4:30 is NMARL's “Impact of Fee-based Services” Dinah Jentgen moved and Alison Almquist seconded that the
Board approved the program. Drew handed out the meal list, and added the Banquet menu of chicken cordon bleu entree. She agreed to ask about a vegetarian option, and moved that the Board approve the prices. Alison Almquist seconded the motion, which passed. Drew then announced staffing of committees for the upcoming year. The names of Sid Margolis and Daryl Black were added to the Special NMLA Foundation Committee. The Board applauded Drew for a job well done.

Second Vice-President: Alison Almquist reported that 60 people attended the 9 programs offered at the mini-conference. Because lunch cost less than planned, the conference showed a profit. Alison thanked Betty Reynolds and her staff at NMIMT for their assistance in local arrangements. Alison responded to questions regarding the logistics of planning the conference.

ALA Councilor: Ben Wakashige is attending the Midwinter Conference and left no report.

Newsletter Editor: Daryl Black reminded the Board for Stefanie Wittenbach that the deadline for submissions for the next newsletter is February 3. Material can be FAXed to 277-6019. Karen McPheeters asked that publicity for the conference be FAXed as well to her by the first week of February to 599-1113 for inclusion in the registration packets.

State Librarian: Karen Watkins reported that a status quo budget is going to the Legislature this year for approval. Neither increased aid for public libraries nor the proposed children's specialist position are included. The Governor's budget does include $500,000 severance tax bond allotment for public library books. Sen. Jennings probably will also introduce a similar bill. An amendment to add the new position probably will be introduced also. Nothing is included for a new building. The State Library is considering a new policy for serving school libraries, requiring them to use local resources before contacting the State Library for help. Daryl Black appointed a committee of Randy Gaylor, Joe Sabatini, Alison Almquist, and possibly others to look at the issue and develop a policy to be implemented by fall.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation of the proposed New Mexico Library Foundation, Inc.: The Committee incorporated corrections from the September meeting into the current draft. Daryl Black asked for comments on the draft, and questions were answered by George Marr, Sid Margolis, and Daryl Black. A motion was made by John Brewster to accept the report with two exceptions: 1) change the wording in Article II Part 4 from “and the current NMLA president ...” to “... including the current NMLA president ...”; and 2) to ask the committee to correct the wording that 1/3 of the board shall be elected each term. Judy Neff seconded the motion, which passed. The Board thanked the committee for their hard work, and a special thank you was issued to Carol Myers for incorporating all the revisions into all the drafts.

Proposed Technical Services Round Table: Cheryl Wilson reported for Anne Morgan. The organizational meeting scheduled for Friday, May 1 will be held after the business meeting on Thursday instead. Cheryl Wilson will notify all petition signers of the time change. Mary Pat Kraemer moved and Alison Almquist seconded to accept the creation of the Technical Services Round Table. The motion passed. Drew Harrington will work with the petitioners to place the meeting on the program.
Kidservice Action Plan: Barbara King presented a request to the Board for encouragement and support of their twelve resolutions. Barbara reminded the board that any of the twelve could be tabled separately. Cheryl Wilson suggested and Daryl Black concurred with attaching an action statement to each. Karen Watkins suggested that the resolutions be included in the Conference. Mary Pat Kraemer moved and Dinah Jentgen seconded that NMLA support in principle the resolutions and offer support through divisions, round tables, and any other way as appropriate. The motion passed. Cheryl Wilson suggested that the resolutions be included in the newsletter, and Joe Sabatini suggested summarizing the document and mailing it to the distribution list.

Bibliotherapy Workshop in Santa Fe: Nancy Fischer presented a request that NMLA cosponsor a bibliotherapy workshop with the Santa Fe Rape Crisis Center to be held May 3, 1992 in Santa Fe. The Rape Crisis center will donate two scholarships to NMLA for the workshop, and any profits from the workshop will go to the Center. Dinah Jentgen moved and John Brewster seconded that NMLA cosponsor the workshop. The motion passed. The Education Committee will advertise the scholarships in the "Hitchhiker" and the newsletter, and will award the scholarships.

Mountain Plains Library Association: Discussion was postponed to a later meeting.

The meeting broke from 3:15 to 3:30.

Local and County History Bibliographies: Cheryl Wilson reported that 240 copies of the 1983 bibliography are still undistributed. Randy Gaylor suggested that copies be sent to secondary schools. Mary Pat Kraemer moved and Judy Neff seconded that remaining copies of the bibliography be distributed at Cheryl's discretion based on suggestions by members. The motion passed.

Permanent Executive Director for NMLA: Robert Upton requested that the Board consider finding a salaried organizer to help move business onward. Experience indicates that such a director's salary is covered by savings and increased income generated by the director. Mary Pat Kraemer, John Brewster, Marilyn Reeves, Randy Gaylor, Robert Upton, and Drew Barrington agreed to serve on committee with Joe Sabatini as resource person.

Vice Chairs for Committees: Daryl Black raised discussion of the naming of vice-chairs for committees to provide continuity as is done with divisions and round tables. After some discussion, Daryl Black asked the Board to consider problems and solutions for the next Board meeting.

DIVISION REPORTS

College, University, and Special Libraries: Judy Neff reported that the proposed work program for next year includes 1) continuing recruiting technical staff members 2) an information exchange program among members, and 3) promoting professional activities by announcing programs of interest in the newsletter.

Public Libraries: Mary Pat Kraemer reported that three members have been working with the New Mexico State Library Standards Committee. The division cosponsored a mini-conference program at Socorro, and the division is still working on a reciprocal borrowing plan.
School Libraries, Children and Young Adult Services: Randy Gaylor read his report. He requested that NMLA endorse the Educational Technology Institute and the proposed NMSU institute for the summer of 1992. Judy Neff moved, Dinah Jentgen seconded, and the motion passed.

ROUND TABLE REPORTS

Documents: Laurie Chaney reported for Jeanette Smith that all goals were completed by the end of December. The PSA's were distributed to 14 television stations. Kay Krehbiel, NMIMT, agreed to run for Vice Chair.

Education Technology: no report.

Library Instruction: John Brewster reported that the interest survey showed high interest in motivating the learner, communication techniques, and time; work management skills. He also reminded the Board of the library instruction file available for loan from Betsy McGuckin at 525-3166.

Local and Regional History: Cheryl Wilson reported for Gail Doherty on the successful mini-conference presentation on converses.

LUISA: Rita Vargas reported that LUISA accomplished its goals. Their workshop at the mini-conference was successful, and work continues on the bibliographic file of publishers specializing in Hispanic material. They are considering presenting something in conjunction with the Columbus celebration.

Native American Libraries: Brenda Billie reported for Irving Nelson. Goals one four, and five were accomplished. Goals two and six have not yet been finished. Goals three and seven are not possible.

Online: Cherrill Whitlow reported on the co-sponsorship of a workshop in Silver City in October, which earned a profit of $100.23. The round table also presented a program at the mini-conference. Both will be reported in detail in the newsletter. A round table newsletter was sent to all members in December, listing Ruth Krug as candidate for Vice-chair.

Trustee and Friends: Carol King reported that Thaddeus Bejnar will be their main speaker at the conference. The Board thanked Carol for taking over and doing a great job.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Awards: Nancy Fischer reported that they received 27 nominations this year. Since the Librarian of the Year Award is intended for someone who goes beyond the community, and all nominations reflected community work, the nominations were moved into consideration for the Community Service Award. Those nominated for awards were: Honorary Life Membership, Mary Penland, Los Alamos Schools, retired; Community Service Award, Peggy Suter, Eunice Public Library; Kenneth Milder, Los Alamos County Council; Debbie Siebel, volunteer, Silver Consolidated Schools; Joyce Etulain, Albuquerque Public Schools; Patricia Irwin, Dexter Schools and volunteer, Albuquerque Public Library; and James Wall, AMREP. Nancy recommended that we recognize all of the nominees. Alison Almquist moved and John Brewster
seconded that the Board accept the committee's nomination. John Brewster, seconded by Mary Pat Kraemer, amended the motion to include recommendations for two Legislators of the year. The motion passed as amended. The committee recommended a name change from Librarian of the Year to Leadership Award. Dinah Jentgen moved, John Brewster seconded, and the motion passed.

**Bylaws and Procedures:** Cheryl Wilson requested a change to the Bylaws to reflect the correct term for the ALA councilor as beginning at the Midwinter Conference rather than the Annual Conference. John Brewster moved and Mary Pat Kraemer seconded to accept the change. The motion passed.

**Conference Site:** Fred Barraza reported that Las Vegas is working to be awarded the 1993 conference.

**Education:** No report. Daryl Black reported for Elaine Goodman that they are working on CEU's for the Bibliotherapy workshop and still investigating long distance learning.

**Legislation and Intellectual Freedom:** Susan Oberlander reported that Legislative Day will be February 10 starting at 9 a.m. Legislative concerns include a children's specialist position to be added as an amendment for the State Library, $500,000 severance tax money for public libraries, and a new bookmobile. The Consortium of Academic Libraries has an amendment to add half of the funding formula amount to HB2. A History Materials Bill would request money for history books, newspaper microfilming, and Durango, Mexico archives microfilming projects. The Committee nominates Tim Jennings and Dave Townsend for Legislators of the Year for carrying library-related legislation.

**Library Development:** Marilyn Reeves handed out the draft work program for 1992-1993. Board members were asked to review the draft and be prepared to finalize the program at the Conference Board meeting.

**Local Arrangements:** Karen McPheeters requested that materials for registration packets be received by her by the end of the first week in February. The packet information will go to the printer the following week. $5,000 in exhibits space has been committed thus far. A tour to a trading post is arranged during the conference. The request for silent auction materials will be mailed soon. She will check with the food arrangements subcommittee about vegetarian meals.

**Membership:** Joe Sabatini noted that the change to calendar year memberships has not affected overall membership totals. From the November recruitment letter mailed to 1,120 librarians, 18 new and 8 renewal memberships were generated. From 400 letters to trustees and friends, 10 new memberships resulted. Forms will be included in conference packets to non-members. All divisions and round tables have voting status right now.

**Nominations and Elections:** Gloria Trujillo reported that because of two changes, the slate of candidates shows Antoinette Beatty and Barbara Billey for 2d Vice President, Pat Sauer and Jeanette Smith for Secretary, and Chuck Baldonado and Susie Sonflieth for ALA Councilor. Ballots will be mailed around February, and are due back by March 1.

**Public Relations:** The committee is appointing a PR Committee Coordinator, Donnelyn Curtis, to work with officers, coordinate photographic and graphic assistance, and pass on information to
the appropriate news media. A kit is being developed for the PR Committee liaisons. Because of possible conflict of interest, Robert Upton will step down as chair, and be replaced by Daryl Black. The Poster Contest at the Conference will be replaced by a Public Relations Material Swap.

Publications: Daryl Black reminded the officers to call Karen Stabler for their stationery needs.

OTHER REPORTS

Special Committee on a New Mexico Library Foundation: George Marr circulated a framed first donation, a dollar bill with $.25 interest.

The committee is working on several projects: 1) Proposed brochure explaining what NMLA is and does. 2) Add a line to membership form to allow contributions. 3) Mailings to a purchased list of library service businesses. 4) Organizing an annual benefit. 5) Design a sample bequest provision for wills. 6) Organize and publicize classes of charter donations. 7) Informational newsletter. 8) Piggyback brochure to stuff into mailings. 9) Logo design contest. 10) Display booth at conference.

Special Committee on Automation and Networking: Mary Pat Kraemer reported for Allen Schwartz. The committee met and discussed the progress of the projects outlined in the NMLA Automation Plan. They then discussed grass root developments statewide, and the value of networking was also discussed. Members will meet in February in Socorro to continue work on past efforts, directions being taken, and important aspects of automation and networking.

Coalition For Literacy: No report.

Old Business: none.

New Business:

1) John Brewster reported that information pertinent to the Americans with Disabilities Act will be distributed at the State Library booth during the conference. Be also recommended that Board members join their local Leadership programs.
2) Randy Gaylor spoke about the importance of articulating to the membership who we are and what we do. Marilyn Reeves has a mission statement developed by the Library Development Committee to be used as a starting point. Nancy Fischer suggested that we go back through the minutes of the last five years and outline some of our stands and accomplishments. Randy asked all members to come to the next board meeting prepared to tackle the issue. John Brewster suggested that we be able to write it into bullets.

Daryl Black again reminded the Board that February 3 is the deadline for additions to the next newsletter.

The meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m. by motion of Drew Barrington, second of John Brewster, and vote of the Board.

Respectfully submitted,
Dinah Lea Jentgen, Secretary