

NEW MEXICO LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
 Executive Board Meeting
 La Plata Room
 Holiday Inn, Farmington
 April 29, 1992

The Executive Board Meeting of the New Mexico Library Association was called to order by President Daryl Black at 8:33 a.m. All present introduced themselves.

Members Present

Alison Almquist	Joe Sabatini	Carol King
John Brewster	Allen Schwartz	Betsy McGuckin
Kathy Costa	Peggy Tooker	Judy C. Neff
Nancy Fischer	Benjamin T. Wakashige	Marilyn Reeves
Randy Gaylor	Cherrill Whitlow	Harris Richard
Dinah Lea Jentgen	Daryl Black	Pat Sauer
Mary Pat Kraemer	Laurie Cheney	Jeanette C. Smith
George Marr	Jennifer DeBord	Robert Upton
David Null	Kathy Flanary	Karen Watkins
Clara Rey	Drew Harrington	Cheryl Wilson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Daryl Black announced that Kathy Flanary was this year's recipient of the New Mexico Military Institute John F. Burton Chair, carrying a \$7,500 stipend to support professional development. Kathy will work with the State Records Center and Archives on a special project.

OFFICER, NEWSLETTER EDITOR AND STATE LIBRARIAN REPORTS

Secretary: Dinah Jentgen moved and David Null seconded that the minutes of the January meeting be accepted as mailed. The motion passed.

Treasurer: David Null reported that the treasury is in good shape, with NMLA receiving \$1,165 in advertising fees thanks to Carol Myers' hard work. Both CD's with Sunwest Bank were rolled over, and the third was cashed to provide working capital for the conference. His written report is accurate through March 31. Daryl Black reminded the members that bulk mailings are paid out of the publications budget, not their own. John Brewster moved and Dinah Jentgen seconded that the report be accepted. The motion carried.

First Vice President: Drew Harrington reported that 293 people pre-registered for the conference, with 49 exhibitor booths and four tables. She thanked the Local Arrangements Committee for doing a great job. She reminded the members to come to the Grand Opening of the exhibits in the afternoon. In reply to a question. Drew agreed that this year's attendance is slightly lower than last years. The Board applauded Drew for her hard work.

Second Vice President: No report.

ALA Councilor: Ben Wakashige listed the current issues facing ALA as finances, the impacts of

“Kreimer v Morristown”, the future of the Standing Committee on Review, Inquiry, and Mediation, direct election of the Executive Board, future of graduate library programs, and pending federal legislation. He was pleased to present a check for \$100 on behalf of NMLA to the Freedom to Read Foundation. Ben distributed copies of the draft Guidelines for the Development of Policies Regarding Patron Behavior and Library Usage. He asked the Board to read, discuss, and perhaps take a future stand before the Midwinter meeting. He plans to organize a casual get-together for New Mexico Librarians in his room at ALA. He also reported that Thaddeus Bejnar was quoted after his presentation at a hearing at ALA regarding “Kreimer v Morristown.”

Newsletter Editor: No report.

State Librarian: Karen Watkins reported that the State Library will soon be receiving a full-time Children’s Services position. Scott Sheldon will be the supervisor. A general obligation bond issue will be on the statewide ballot in November: the details will be announced later. Paul Agresti will lead a task force to plan follow-up activities for the White House Conference. Emporia State University will offer a MLS program in New Mexico starting fall 1992. Revised eligibilities for public libraries receiving state aid will be discussed Thursday morning at 8:30 during the conference. In July the State Library will select and install an integrated online system. 125 local libraries are participating in the statewide reading program, “Be a Super Sleuth: Investigate Your Library.” The first statewide Battle of the Books was held with 200 students, teachers, and parents participating. More serials records will be added to the CD-ROM database of serial holdings. The Board applauded Karen Watkins for the great job she has done running the State Library.

DIVISION REPORTS

College, University, and Special Libraries: Judy Neff reported that Carmen Ward of Sandia National Laboratories accepted the nomination for Vice-Chair. The work program and goals will be presented for approval May 1, along with the election.

Public Libraries: Mary Pat Kraemer reported an increase in membership this year. With a very active year, the division met its work goals 2 and 3 and partially addressed goal 1. A draft of Reciprocal Borrowing Guidelines was prepared and circulated. Bambi Adams has accepted the nomination for Vice-Chair.

School Libraries, Children and Young Adult Services: Randy Gaylor reported that the business meeting will deal with the issue of a name change for the division, vote on Jerry Klopfer as Vice-Chair, discuss the division’s role in Battle of the Books and Free Books for Schools Program, the role of the State Library with school libraries, volunteers for various projects, and reports on the School Standards Survey, 1992 Work Plan, and work goals for 1993- 94. Daryl Black thanked Randy for his hard work in moving forward with the division. Randy announced that he may be leaving Tularosa Schools and his position may not be filled. He requested that NMLA take some action to let Tularosa know that the position should be maintained. Daryl agreed to write a letter to support continued staffing of the professional position. Discussion followed on ways to let school districts know that NMLA supports their librarians. Ideas included coordination with the new State Library staffer and work between SLCYAS and Public Libraries Division to develop grass roots support. Nancy Fischer recommended creation of a new award to supportive school administrators to be presented both at the NMLA banquet and the School Administrator's

meeting in the summer.

The members took a five-minute break.

ROUND TABLE REPORTS

Documents: Jeanette C. Smith reported that all work goals have been completed with the airing of PSAs on television. Kay Krehbiel of New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology is the nominee for Vice-Chair.

Education Technology: Kathy Flanary reported for David Libertore that Richard Bell of Raton is the nominee for Vice-Chair. Library Instruction: John Brewster reported that Ellanie Sampson is the nominee for Vice-Chair.

Local and Regional History: Cheryl Wilson reported that Mary Elms is the nominee for Vice-Chair.

LUISA: Daryl Black read Rita Pino Vargas report. The Round Table is providing information to the State Library on Spanish speaking patrons for a foreign language materials grant. The bibliography of publishers continues. Claire Odenheim accepted the nomination as Vice-Chair.

Native American Libraries: no report.

Online: Cherrill Whitlow reported that Ruth Krug is the nominee for Vice-Chair.

Trustee and Friends: Carol King reported that Les Lesperance has agreed to chair the Round Table next year. They are still looking for a candidate for Vice-Chair. Three people are participating in the "Community Involvement Show and Tell"; Sally Ruscitti, Doris Lyons, and one from Farmington (name not available).

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Awards: Nancy Fischer reported that the committee designed nomination and nomination-support forms, distributed them, and received 27 nominations. They changed the Librarian of the Year to New Mexico Library Leadership Award, selected nine award recipients, and have organized the ceremony for presentation of the awards. The committee recommended that Legislator of the Year be transferred to the Legislation and Intellectual Freedom Committee as they de-facto select the recipient already, and timing of the legislative session conflicts with the awards process. The Board recommended that next year's committee discuss the issue and make recommendations to that board to deal with issues identified during discussion. The committee also suggested creation of a School Administrator Award to honor an administrator who strongly supports libraries in his district. This suggestion was accepted by the Board. Nancy noted that Mary Jo Walker from ENMU produced the mailing labels which the committee used to mail the nomination forms to schools and city management.

Bylaws: Cheryl Wilson announced that replacement of old Blue Books will occur at the June meeting. Necessary content changes will be distributed at Saturday's meeting. A change to Bylaws will be presented during the business meeting on Thursday. The change reflects the correct term of office for the ALA Councilor.

Conference Site: no report

Education: Peggy Tooker reported that education grants were awarded to Kathryn Sowa and Kathy Flanary before the year officially began. No education or job enrichment grants were applied for during the 1991-92 year. Tracey Virtue of Santa Fe will receive the Marion Dorroh Scholarship to enroll in a PhD program. The committee is still pursuing CEU credits for attending workshops and conferences. Peggy announced her retirement from Jal, and received applause from the Board for all her contributions. Allen Schwartz presented the Draft Plan for Continuing Education of Library Personnel, and announced the new MLS program through Emporia State to be held on-site at UNM. He requested an advisory committee be formed with the chair of the Education Committee and four others. The Board agreed to add the new duty to the Chair's job description. He also requested financial support from NMLA for participants in the MLS program to help defray its steep costs. Ben Wakashige recommended that the Education Committee develop a proposal for tuition assistance free of strings to the particular program, and bring it to the June meeting.

Legislation and Intellectual Freedom: Judy Neff reported for Susan Oberlander that Susan carried a letter to Rep. Bill Richardson from the New Mexico Consortium of Biomedical and Hospital Librarians, and that Rep. Richardson has responded.

Library Development: Marilyn Reeves presented copies of the draft goals and work program for review. These will be presented for a final vote at the Saturday meeting. She also read the mission statement presented at the January meeting. Daryl Black requested the members get changes to Marilyn as quickly as possible for final presentation on Saturday.

Local Arrangements: no report.

Membership: Joe Sabatini reported that the transition to calendar year memberships has gone smoothly, with 551 personal members and 22 institutional members. The committee will consider revising the present recruitment pamphlet. When the new membership directory is mailed in May membership cards will be included.

Nominations and Elections: Marilyn Reeves read Gloria Trujillo's report. New officers are 2d Vice-President Barbara Billey and Secretary Jeanette Smith. Because of confusion with the ALA Councilor's term, Susie Sonfleith was elected but will take office at the 1994 ALA Midwinter Meeting.

Public Relations: Robert Upton reminded the Board that Daryl Black has agreed to assume the chair for next year. He reminded the Board of the PR swap meet at the conference.

Publications: no report.

OTHER REPORTS

Liaison to the New Mexico Coalition for Literacy: Kathy Costa reported that Alice King addressed the NMCL Board at the February meeting. She reminded the board of the resources available through NMCL.

Special Committee on Automation and Networking: Allen Schwartz reported that the committee

met at NMIMT. Information submitted was attached to his written report. A special edition of the Hitchhiker will outline developments around the state. The committee also plans a new edition of the Long Range Automation Plan.

Special Committee on the New Mexico Library Foundation: George Marr reported that the committee has met monthly and has rewritten the Bylaws and Incorporation Documents to final edition. Copies were distributed with the Newsletter. If the Foundation is approved at the business meeting, pledge and charter contribution forms will be distributed at the banquet.

Special Committee on Permanent Executive Director: John Brewster reported that this new committee has met and begun work. Similar committees operated in 1972 and 1985. Considerations for the committee include: 1) half-time executive director position to coordinate workflow to the Lindseys and between committees, and to coordinate exhibits at the conference; 2) permanent contact point for mail, legal documents, etc.; 3) maintain the Association calendar; 4) fundraising, legislative lobbying, augment or take over treasurer or newsletter position, or other ideas.

OLD BUSINESS

Mountain Plains Library Association Membership: David Null recommended and the Board agreed to table discussion until June.

Vice-Chairs for Committees: Joe Sabatini suggested and the Board agreed that the Bylaws Committee study the ramifications.

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Cheryl Wilson announced that the new New Mexico State University Library will open July 27. Five new reference positions are open and Karen Stabler is chair of the search committee.

Nancy Fischer reminded the Board of the Bibliotherapy Workshop in Santa Fe on Sunday.

Daryl Black reminded the Board of the business meeting on April 30 at 3:30 and the next Board meeting on Saturday at 8:00 a.m.

Jeanette Smith reminded members to look for the booth for the SL Center for Codes and Standards.

The next newsletter deadline is May 8, 1992.

Randy Gaylor moved and John Brewster seconded for adjournment.

The meeting adjourned at 11:36 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dinah Lea Jentgen

Secretary