

NEW MEXICO LIBRARY ASSOCIATION  
 Executive Board Meeting  
 New Mexico Highlands University  
 Las Vegas, New Mexico  
 March 17, 1993

The meeting was called to order at 8:35 a.m. by President Drew Harrington. Drew distributed Atomic Fire Ball candies in response to the article by Robert Upton in the last issue of the NMLA Newsletter containing clever and funny references to the Executive Board, but with some implied criticism of the Board. Drew commented unofficially that she was not offended, but wanted to say that this is a volunteer body, and is only one of our many roles and obligations. If meetings move more slowly and tediously than seems ideal, we are coming to this activity with other demands in our lives. Drew thanked the Board members, with all the demands in their lives and in her life, for taking the considerable time to do the work, to sit through the meetings, and for working with her. She has appreciated the hard work that everyone has done. All present introduced themselves.

Members Present:

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| Bambi Adams     | Kathy Flanary   | Sylvia Ortiz          |
| Alison Almquist | Jeanne Gonzales | Marilyn Reeves        |
| Ruben Aragon    | Mary Grathwol   | Clara Rey             |
| Richard Bell    | Drew Harrington | Joe Sabatini          |
| Barbara Billey  | Valerie Horton  | Ellanie Sampson       |
| Daryl Black     | Brenda Laurion  | Allen Schwartz        |
| John Brewster   | Kathryn Lopez   | Elvira Segura-Langton |
| Laurie Chaney   | Gary Mayhood    | Jeanette Smith        |
| Kathy Costa     | Betsy McGuckin  | Benjamin Wakashige    |
| Donnelyn Curtis | Jenny Minter    | George Wang           |
| Jennifer DeBord | David Null      | Karen Watkins         |
| Serena Douglas  | Claire Odenheim | Cheryl Wilson         |

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Ellanie Sampson announced that conference packets for the Board were available at the meeting. Drew announced that a discussion item would be added to the agenda. Claire Odenheim would like to discuss changing the day of Board meetings to Saturdays instead of Fridays.

OFFICER, NEWSLETTER EDITOR, AND STATE LIBRARIAN REPORTS

Secretary: Jeanette Smith entertained corrections, additions, and modifications to the minutes of the January 8, 1993, Board meeting. There were none. Jeanette moved and David Null seconded the motion that the minutes be accepted as written. The motion carried. Jeanette announced that NMLA stationary was available at the meeting, and that she needed six copies of each Board member's report. A written report is also requested for the Saturday Board meeting.

Treasurer: David Null announced that NMLA is still in good financial shape. There is almost \$20,000 in the checkbook at the moment. David will give a report on investments at the June Board meeting. David asked the Board for an additional \$395.69 over the Treasurer's budget to

pay the new auditor. David so moved, and Barbara Billey seconded the motion. The motion carried. David also asked the Board to authorize \$300 to be paid to the New Mexico Library Foundation for legal fees. David so moved, and Cheryl Wilson seconded the motion. The motion carried. The CUS/Online Round Table/Educational Technology workshop made a profit of \$58.39. The Public Library Division workshop lost \$787.30. David moved and Jeanette Smith seconded the motion that the Treasurer's report be accepted as submitted. The motion carried.

First Vice President: Alison Almquist thanked the Local Arrangements Committee for doing a good job. A trip to Las Vegas, Nevada, will be a door prize at the Friday night Las Vegas Casino Night. Additional prizes include two round-trip tickets to any destination Southwest Airlines flies. There is one recent program change; the Educational Technology Round Table program "ClientServer Library Technology" has been cancelled on both Thursday afternoon and Friday morning because the speaker cannot attend due to company reorganization.

Second Vice President: Barbara Billey thanked the divisions and round tables who assisted with the mini-conference. The mini-conference went well and made a profit of approximately \$900. Barbara has some good plans for next year.

ALA Councilor: Ben Wakashige stated that it has been an honor to represent NMLA as its representative to the ALA Council. Marilyn Miller, ALA President, will be presenting a keynote address at the NMLA Conference. Controversial issues recently addressed at ALA included the "Billions of Bucks for Billions of Books" program, which received some criticism by the ALA Council, and will not be carried out as an ALA project. The editorial in the January 1993 issue of *American Libraries* was also controversial. Another issue was the ALA position on Colorado Amendment Two; the Council voted to not hold the 1998 Annual Conference in Denver unless that bill is rescinded. ALA's financial position was also discussed; it is apparent that ALA is having financial problems. Some programs have been cut, and there may be future cuts.

Newsletter Editor: Donnie Curtis reported that she has edited one issue of the Newsletter. She is open to suggestions from everybody. She really liked working with the Lindseys and Carol Myers. However, no extra issues of the Newsletter were available. Donnie could use 30-40 extras for exchange with editors of other state library association newsletters. The next deadline is March 26. Drew suggested that people could donate copies of the Newsletter to Donnie.

State Librarian: Karen Watkins reported that it appears likely that state aid to the state Library will be maintained at its current level of \$200,000. Legislators have received many letters, phone calls, and visits by members of NMLA's legislative network and Public Library Division supporting aid to the State Library. Karen expressed her appreciation for this support. Adult literacy may receive a \$50,000 increase for a total of \$350,000. The State Library's request for a new bookmobile, which serves nine counties in the northwestern part of the state, has seen legislative support. Karen is optimistic. However, the outcome on all of these budget decisions will not be known until Saturday, March 20. It seems to be almost certain that the legislature will pass a bill calling for a study of construction of a shared state library/state records and archives facility. Academic libraries have requested \$3,000,000 for library acquisitions. This is a capital outlay measure and will be considered with many others in the last day of the session. Ben Wakashige expressed thanks to Karen for her support of this request. Karen added that the New Mexico Consortium of Academic Libraries has actively supported this bill. Proposals for SALSA (State Agency Libraries' System Access), the State Library's online system, were due yesterday. SALSA will be an integrated online system offering an online catalog and informational

databases. Three vendors, Gaylord (Galaxy), ORA, and Dynix, have responded to the proposal. The deadline for choosing the system is April 12. The SALSA project team consists of Allen Schwartz, John Brewster, Linda Jensen (the state Library's new systems analyst), Harold Bogart, Nancy Fischer, and Katherine Higgins. Karen Preuss is the new children's consultant. She has helped with this year's Battle of the Books. Karen McIntyre from Clovis Public Library did a good job as the coordinator of Battle of the Books. The second annual Battle attracted 150 kids. Mrs. Bruce King presented medals and signed books in the Capitol Rotunda at the conclusion of the Battle. The statewide reading program is planned, and public and school libraries are signing up. This year's theme is "Quest for Enchantment: Treasure Reading." The new state aid rules and regulations were adopted after three public hearings. They will go into effect July 1. All public and community libraries in the state have five years to comply with the new rules. over sixty students are enrolled in the Emporia program. The response was so large that UNM had to supply larger classrooms than originally planned.

### DISCUSSION ITEMS

NMLA Planning Retreat: Drew Harrington reported that she, Alison Almquist, and Barbara Billey met on February 24, and developed plans and recommendations for the retreat. The retreat was planned for May 15 - 17, to begin at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday evening and continue until 3:00 p.m. on Monday afternoon. Beginning on Saturday evening would allow a social time before the period of intense work. Thirty delegates would be selected by the retreat steering committee (Alison, Barbara, and Drew), and asked to serve. Several alternate delegates should be chosen as well to fill-in, in case of emergency. Room and board costs for the retreat would be absorbed by NMLA. The delegates would have to pay their own travel expenses. Three possible sites were discussed: the Glorieta Baptist Conference Center, the Inn of the Mountain Gods in Ruidoso, and the Mabel Dodge Luhan House in Taos. The Inn of the Mountain Gods would be too expensive, and the Mabel Dodge Luhan House was unavailable at that time. Glorieta is inexpensive; for meals and rooms, it would cost the Association a total of \$2,460.00 plus tax (\$41 per person per night). No alcohol is allowed at Glorieta. The delegates would receive homework prior to the retreat explaining the issues to be tackled. Three issues are long-range financial planning, an Executive Director for NMLA, and state library networks. The goal of the retreat is to come up with specific recommendations in each planning area, and after an introduction to the process and to the goals and purposes of NMLA, this will be accomplished by dividing into three groups with a steering committee leader for each group and a recorder. Groups may need to hear brief presentations from individuals with special knowledge on some of the issues, such as Allen Schwartz on networks, John Brewster on the Executive Director, and David Null on the financial situation of the Association, and will then discuss the issues with an eye toward resolution and recommendation. The committee leaders will direct discussion and gauge time availability for topics, and will have the additional duty of compiling the three groups' ideas and suggestions and putting them into a format that the entire delegation can review before leaving the retreat site. The final plans and suggestion will be submitted to the NMLA Board. Discussion included questioning of the days the retreat would be held, whether divisions and round tables should select delegates, whether the Board still wanted to hold a retreat, whether there should be one overall coordinator, whether this coordinator should be a professional consultant or a member of NMLA, and whether a professional consultant should train the leaders of the three groups. The Board's consensus was that a retreat should be held, and that there should be an overall leader of the retreat. Drew requested that names of potential delegates be submitted at or by the Saturday Board meeting. Joe Sabatini suggested the name of Lois Godfrey for overall facilitator. John Brewster suggested that the facilitator be a past NMLA president. Kathy Costa suggested that

free talent within NMLA be looked for, but that the Board should approve an amount for an honorarium in case an outside facilitator was used. Cheryl Wilson suggested that an inside facilitator should receive an honorarium as well. Joe Sabatini questioned whether Article III, Section 6 of the Bylaws permitted use of NMLA funds for honoraria or reimbursement of expenses for members. Drew suggested that NMLA could pay expenses if no money was put into the hands of members, and that an honorarium for an inside facilitator could be paid through a contribution to the New Mexico Library Foundation. Cheryl Wilson moved and Betsy McGuckin seconded the motion that a planning retreat be held, and that no more than \$5,000 be spent on the activity. The costs incurred may include room and board, a facilitator fee, copying expenses, etc. Discussion included the issues to be discussed, whether the three groups would only consider one issue each (they wouldn't) and suggestions that the delegates include future leaders of the Association, and be broadly representative of types of libraries and geographical locations in the state. David Null suggested that round tables and divisions ask for suggestions for delegates, and submit them at or before the Saturday Board meeting. Cheryl Wilson asked that the outcomes of the retreat be shared with the general membership through documentation such as a special supplement to the Newsletter. John Brewster requested that this special issue and the Newsletter in general be available in large print or Braille. John Brewster and Allen Schwartz volunteered as resource people to work with Donnie Curtis on this matter. The Board then took a voice vote on Cheryl's motion. The motion carried. John Brewster then introduced Brenda Laurion, who is working on a training program with the Commission for the Blind and the State Library for six months. Drew welcomed Brenda. Changing Executive Board Meetings from Fridays to Saturdays: Drew Harrington stated that the meetings traditionally started on Fridays and continued on to Saturday if necessary. Claire Odenheim stated that Friday meetings are difficult for school librarians to attend. Laurie Chaney suggested alternating Fridays and Saturdays. Jenny Minter suggested that the incoming Board make the decision. Alison Almquist suggested that only the September and January meetings needed to be changed. Elvira Segura-Langton moved and Jenny Minter seconded the motion to table the issue until the Saturday Board meeting. The motion carried.

## DIVISION REPORTS

College, University, and Special Libraries: Jenny Minter reported that the workshop that CUS co-sponsored with the Educational Technology Round Table and the Online Round Table, held in Las Cruces on February 5, was very successful. Registration was limited to 35 attendees although many more wanted to attend. Carmen Ward, cus Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect, has reported that Larry Compton has agreed to serve as incoming Vice-Chair. Response to the Information Exchange survey has been very light. Jenny suspects that Carmen may send out a follow-up survey. The CUS program for Conference will be a lunch, co-sponsored by the Special Libraries Association and the New Mexico Consortium of Academic Libraries. The speakers will be representatives of the five libraries participating in the Library Services Alliance of New Mexico. cus will conduct a short business meeting prior to the program.

Public Libraries: Clara Rey reported that the goals and work program were accomplished. Two programs were held. One dealing with illiteracy, "On the Outside Looking In," presented by Pat Boyd, was held at the mini-conference. Approximately 22 people attended, and comments were favorable. The second program, "Managing Problem Patrons," was an all-day workshop held at Albuquerque Public Library on January 15. Approximately 50 people attended; a copy of the overall evaluation is attached to Clara's written report. Although the workshop was not self-supporting, Clara believed that it was well worth the money, as it was very informative and well

presented. Goal number 3, involving resource sharing, has been added to the coming year's work program. As for the goal of encouraging librarians to join the Municipal League, Clara has invited Mary Elms, Chair of the Librarians' Association of the Municipal League, to address the public librarians at Conference on Friday. The division also worked with Karen Watkins, State Librarian, to contact legislators in support of the state grants-in-aid. Phil Yeh will present a program at Conference entitled "Global Literacy: Not Just for Public Libraries." The division's Vice-Chair nominee is Lucie Olson of Socorro. Services for Youth and School Libraries: Serena Douglas reported that the Standards Committee met on January 23, and will meet at Conference. A goal was set for the standards book, to provide a base for planning and implementing an effective library media center. The committee has collected many standards books from various associations and states. One item that concerned them very much was New Mexico's educational standards book in which library media centers were included in the support services area instead of an integral part of instructional services. The codes in question are A2.1.1, A7.2.5, A7.2.8, A4, and A15. The committee decided that code revision was necessary before proceeding any further on code development. Meetings with Jeanne Knight, a State Department of Education Consultant, and Virginia Trujillo, President of the State Board of Education, have been recommended. After discussing survey results, it was realized that employees are being put into libraries who are doing their jobs without library education, training, and support. They felt that PR was needed in this situation. Karen Preuss and Robert Upton developed a pamphlet; Serena distributed copies to the Board. Serena asked for Board approval for distribution of the pamphlet because NMLA's name is on it, for financial support for copying and postage, and for suggestions. David Null noted that there is about \$1400 left in the SYSL budget because they did not publish a newsletter as planned. Serena will use that money for printing costs. Alison Almquist asked who will write the cover letter; Serena will do it. John Brewster noted that the date on the back is March 1994. Daryl Black suggested including a few pertinent New Mexico statistics. Joe Sabatini suggested that approval of the pamphlet be postponed until the Saturday Board meeting to give the division a chance to comment on it. Cheryl Wilson inquired who would be the Vice-Chair nominee. Serena responded that she had not yet found anyone. Drew suggested that Serena contact Kathy Matter in Albuquerque. Drew commented that Serena has worked hard this year and accomplished a lot.

### ROUND TABLE REPORTS

Documents: Laurie Chaney reported that the Round Table goals have been accomplished. Karen George of NMSU has agreed to accept nomination as Vice-Chair. A successful mini-conference program was presented on Native American census statistics. As of March 8, 1993, the Round Table has 48 members, 6 short of voting status. The Round Table will continue to promote membership. Charles Seavey of the University of Arizona will speak at Conference on "Maps for Everyone: Every Library's Map Collection." A business meeting will precede the program.

Educational Technology: Kathy Flanary stated that there was no change in her report since the previous meeting. Richard Bell announced that the Round Table was sponsoring two speakers at Conference, Wendy Warren Brooks, "Let's Make our Own Video Documentaries," and Carol Foley, IBM Consultant, "Multimedia Knowledge System." The nominee for Vice-Chair is Jennifer Marquardt, Alison Almquist's sister.

Library Instruction: Betsy McGuckin reported that they are looking forward to Phil Yeh's presentation on global literacy at the Public Library/LIRT luncheon on Thursday. Ellanie Sampson, who served as LIRT Vice-Chair, has been elected Second Vice President, and will be

unable to serve as LIRT Chair. Betsy congratulated Ellanie. Kris Wycisk, a reference librarian at the Albuquerque TVI Montoya Campus, has agreed to be nominated for Chair. The Round Table is soliciting a Vice-Chair nominee.

Local and Regional History: Cheryl Wilson reported that Mary Elms, Vice-Chair, will be unable to serve as Chair. The nominating committee has made a recommendation that Cheryl continue as Chair for 1993-1994 and serve with Peter Ives, Vice-Chair nominee. Harry Myers, Superintendent of Fort Union National Monument, will present the program for the Round Table.

LUISA: Elvira Segura-Langton reported that this has been a year of contrast for LUISA. The spring program was an academic study of library terms in Spanish. The fall workshop, a joint presentation with the Native American Round Table, recognized 500 years of contact, exploitation, co-existence, and common interests. The Round Table accomplished all of its goals except for starting a newsletter. The incoming Chair, Claire Odenheim, has found a dynamic speaker for Conference, poet Joseph Somoza. As well, Claire has written reviews of books by Hispanic authors, several of which have appeared in the NMLA Newsletter. The Vice-Chair nominee is Adriana Ortega of Santa Fe Public Library.

Native American Libraries: Jeanne Gonzales reported that the Round Table will meet at Conference on Friday. Incoming Chair Lee Platero has scheduled Jay De Groat, a cross cultural communication consultant, to speak. De Groat has worked with Native American tribes in the United States and Canada, and has written several books, including Thought Process: A Navajo Perspective, Navajo Bilingual Bi-Cultural Curriculum, and Jicarilla Apache Dictionary. Marcelino Chalan, an audiovisual aide at Santa Fe Indian School, is the nominee for Vice-Chair.

Online: Valerie Horton reported that Roger Steeb will be the incoming Chair. Harold Bogart is the nominee for Vice-Chair. The Internet workshop was a success; over 20 prospective attendees had to be turned down. The workshop received excellent/very good evaluations, and the attendees want an advanced workshop. There is a need for such a workshop; Valerie is not certain how this will be accomplished. David Hughes will be speaking at Conference on NREN.

Technical Services: Gary Mayhood reported that the Technical Services Round Table has reached voting status. On January 11, the nominating committee, consisting of Susan Sheldon, Kathy Sowa, and Gary, met and nominated Mary Grathwol of Santa Fe Public Library, as incoming Vice-Chair. Mary has accepted the nomination. Barbara Spivey, current Vice-Chair, organized the Conference program. Laura Kimberly from the AMIGOS Bibliographic Council, will speak on Integrated MARC Formats on OCLC. Also at the general meeting, the membership will vote on the proposed Bylaws drafted by a bylaws committee consisting of Margaret Weaver, Barbara Spivey, and Gary. Other items to be discussed at the meeting will be the inclusion of Collection Management personnel in the Round Table and association with ALCTS-ALA. Gary thanked the Vice-Chair and the members of both committees for their work.

Trustees and Friends: Barbara Billey read Les Lesperance's report. Trustees and Friends produced a newsletter centered around nonprofit fund raising; it alerted trustees and friends groups and similar organizations that the Round Table is here and interested. The Fund Raising 101 newsletter was sent to over 700 libraries and other nonprofit organizations in New Mexico and the Southwest. Responses from the newsletter were few, but were compiled along with ideas from the Farmington Public Library staff, and can be heard in the "Fund Raising 10111

presentation by Karen McPheeters on Thursday. Trustees and friends groups can have a major impact on libraries, but it seems that it is difficult to get these groups to work together and share information. The used book sale is the chief method of fund raising, and the funds are put to good use in library programming. Carol King has agreed to be the nominee for incoming Chair. There is no nominee yet for Vice-Chair.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Awards: Mary Grathwol reported that the award winners were listed in an article in the Newsletter. All award winners plan to attend the Awards Banquet. Donnie Curtis asked whether the award winners should be listed in the Newsletter before or after Conference. Joe Sabatini commented that prior announcement of award winners may encourage people from smaller communities to attend the Banquet.

Bylaws & Procedures: Cheryl Wilson announced that a change in the Bylaws to reflect the dissolution of the Publications Committee (detailed in her written report) will be presented to the membership at the Business Meeting. She will pass out additional pages for the Blue Books at the Board meeting on Saturday. Conference Site: Sylvia Ortiz stated that at the last meeting, the Board approved Albuquerque as the site city of the 1994 Conference. However, a specific place in Albuquerque was not approved. In addition to their original recommendation of the Albuquerque Convention Center, the committee researched the State Fair Grounds and the Hyatt Regency. Sylvia distributed sheets to the Board containing a comparative analysis of the latter two places. The Fair Grounds would require a half million dollar insurance policy, and everything would be in separate buildings. Hyatt Regency personnel did not exhibit a positive attitude toward working with such a large conference. The Convention Center would cost \$1,245.00 a day. Drew suggested that Sylvia get prices from Hyatt in the next couple of days; perhaps a combination of the Hyatt and the Convention Center Ballroom could be used. The Board discussed dates for the Conference. The dates recommended by the committee were April 26-29, 1994. After further discussion, Kathy Flanary moved that the Conference be held the last week in April 1994. Kathy amended the motion to say that the Conference be held April 26-30, 1994. The motion was seconded by Elvira Segura Langton. The motion carried. Discussion on the place will be continued at the Saturday Board meeting. Education: Kathryn Lopez reported that the committee did all of their work by mail. Education grants were given to Ruth Pino Vargas for a workshop in El Paso and Karen Stabler for a workshop in New York. One other applicant was approved; however he did not join NMLA, and did not receive the grant. Kathryn would like to see it clarified whether Education Grants can be used for tuition. Five \$1,000 scholarships were awarded to Kathleen LeFebre from Socorro, Bettina Romero from Las Vegas, John Kemp from Albuquerque, Alicia "Rhen" Busch from Rio Rancho, and Harriet Meiklejohn from Santa Fe. The Marion Dorroh Scholarship was awarded to Jacqueline Etulain from Albuquerque who is enrolled as a full time student at the University of Arizona. The committee recommends that the five \$1,000 scholarships for part time students enrolled in an MLS program be continued, that five \$500 scholarships for part time students enrolled in undergraduate library work be instituted, that Job Enrichment Grants be discontinued, that Education Grants be for attendance at workshops or conferences, that the definition of "legal resident" be clarified, that the requirement of full time student be emphasized in the Marion Dorroh requirements, and that grants and scholarships be advertised early in the year in the Hitchhiker and the Newsletter. Drew suggested that the recommendations be incorporated into the work program of the Education Committee. The new Chair of the Education Committee, Gary Mayhood, and Kathryn will modify the work program before the Saturday meeting. Cheryl Wilson noted that any

changes in the work program need to be incorporated into the Procedural Handbook.

Legislation & Intellectual Freedom: Ruben Aragon reported that Laurie McRae attended the ALA Conference in San Francisco where she heard Gloria Steinem and Patricia Schroeder address the convention on the subject of declining federal and local support for libraries. Their words provided inspiration for the focus of the committee's activities for the last year, which have been to mobilize support for libraries. To that end the committee organized a series of three regional meetings hosted by librarians throughout the state. At the meetings they solicited participation in a legislative network to reach state legislators regarding library funding issues and the importance of libraries. The committee has had good participation in getting this network off the ground. The first issue was the proposed cut in state aid to libraries this legislative session. Thanks to the quick response of the network to this alert, this legislation was changed and funding restored. A book challenge in Roswell was also responded to with letters. It is hoped that the network will be of use next year in promoting major library legislation. The committee will sponsor a program at Conference with Senator Pete Campos and Roger Morris speaking on the importance of library funding from state and federal sources.

Library Development: Marilyn Reeves reported that the committee accomplished its work at the January meeting. A list of 1993-1994 goals and work programs were attached to her written report. Recent changes in goals and work programs will be discussed at the Saturday Board meeting.

Local Arrangements: Ruben Aragon reported that a total of 387 people have pre-registered for the Conference. 33 people have registered for the Historic Las Vegas Guided Tour on Wednesday and 12 for the Las Vegas Guided Art Tour on Saturday. 87 people have signed up for Las Vegas Casino Night. More than \$1300 worth of donations of items to be auctioned have been given by local merchants and other organizations. 414 items with a value of over \$10,000 have been received for the Silent Auction; and 28 items were donated to a new event, the Showcase of Artists. The Mariachi Group Rio Grande, a local band, will be at the Exhibits Grand Opening. A total of 62 booths have registered. In addition there are 16 non-profit organizations. Tickets for meals and events are behind your name tag in your registration packets. Microcomputers and photocopies are available. Photocopy cards are available at registration. A vendor, ACT, will also provide free photocopies. Alison Almquist commented that there has been a new easier approach to the Silent Auction this year. Rather than approaching local merchants, letters were written to publishers and vendors who are quite willing to donate items, even if they are not at the Conference. Alison would like to see this approach continue. Drew encouraged attendance at the Exhibits Grand Opening. Drew thanked Ruben and George Wang for their work on local arrangements.

Membership: Joe Sabatini reported that as of two days ago, the membership stood at 563. The official count on March 2, 1993, was 528 personal members and 16 institutional members for a total of 544. All divisions and round tables, except the Documents Round Table, have established Executive Board voting privileges for the coming year. David Null suggested that Sustaining Members might automatically become members of all divisions and round tables. Joe stated that the current procedure of choosing which divisions and round tables to belong to makes these organizations go through a Darwinian process of soliciting members and working for voting status. The committee's goal of developing a membership kit was not completed. Membership packets will be sent in May. Membership remains stable; the change to calendar year membership seems to have had no effect one way or the other.

Nominations and Elections: Daryl Black reported that the committee, comprised of Elaine Goodman, Elvira Segura-Langton, and herself, counted ballots on March 8. 240 votes were cast for Treasurer and 239 votes for Second Vice President. 6 ballots were postmarked beyond the March 1 deadline and 1 ballot was accompanied by an unsigned envelope. According to NMLA Bylaws, these are invalid. As a result of the election, Ellanie Sampson, Director of the Truth or Consequences Public Library, 1<sup>st</sup> the incoming Second Vice President, succeeding Barbara Billey who is now incoming First Vice President, and Virginia Seiser, Associate to the Dean of the UNM General Library, is the incoming Treasurer, succeeding David Null on July 1. Ballots and envelopes were given to Archivist Paul Agriesti. Letters were sent to all who ran for office. Daryl thanked everyone who voted, and stated that the election was very close. Drew congratulated Ellanie Sampson, and Ellanie received a round of applause.

Public Relations: Daryl Black reported that members of the committee have received many slides and photos for inclusion in the upcoming NMLA video, but need more. Please send slides, photos, or videotape to Daryl or Elvira Segura-Langton at the Oliver LaFarge Library. Arnold Trujillo has volunteered to document the Conference, and has a list of events for videotaping and photographing. For the second year there is a swap and Share Booth in the Exhibits area; if you brought materials, please take them to the booth or give them to Daryl. Press release have been prepared for newly elected officers and award winners. The committee hopes that this will bring the winners and the Association to the attention of state and local media.

## OTHER REPORTS

Special Committee on a Permanent Executive Director: John Brewster reported that the committee will meet this afternoon after the Board meeting to discuss future plans. Obviously, the financial commitment required to fund an Executive Director position is a major step for NMLA. However, the committee feels that the financial commitment will be more than offset by the benefits to the Association. The committee will continue to work on funding options and welcomes the idea of a planning retreat. They feel the transition to an Executive Director should be part of a long-range plan. The committee will give a report at the General Business Meeting. Please give your comments and suggestions to John, Marilyn Reeves, Mary Pat Kraemer, Joe Sabatini, or Robert Upton. The committee will also continue to work closely with Alison, Drew, and other officers of the Association.

Liaison to the New Mexico Coalition for Literacy: Kathy Costa reported that she has attended another Planning Committee meeting. They worked on a revision of the 3 year plan, which they expect to present to the Coalition Board at the meeting in April. The annual meeting of the Coalition will take place in Socorro on June 18. Kathy encouraged membership in the Coalition to keep yourself abreast of statewide literacy efforts; membership is free. Call her or the Coalition Office for further information.

Special Committee on Automation and Networking: Allen Schwartz announced that this is the final report of the committee. An update of the Long Range Automation Plan was completed, and is attached to the committee's written report. The committee's other task, examining networking in New Mexico, proved to be difficult. The committee could not reach a consensus, and thus cannot present a valid networking plan. The term of this committee expires on March 19, 1993. As Chair of the committee, Allen recommended that a small committee of 3-5 people be formed to formulate a networking plan. These committee members should have knowledge of existing networks, the total range of library services, availability of funds, and current

technological advances. This committee would formulate a basic networking philosophy to include goals and objectives, tool groups, planning strategies, and timelines.

New Mexico Library Foundation: Karen Watkins read George Marr's report. Karen serves as Secretary of the Foundation. The Foundation continues to go and grow. During the NMLA convention we are: a. having our first birthday party and will honor all original donors and welcome all new donors who wish to review the financial commitment. b. contacting all vendors at the convention to let them know of the mission of the Foundation and how the vendors can help NMLA via NMLF in the long run to improve librarianship and libraries. c. assisting in the "Las Vegas Night" activity. d. during the Business Meeting we ask that the following clause in Article 8 of the Foundation's Bylaws be approved, "However, if the named recipient is not then in existence or no longer a qualified distributee, or unwilling or unable to accept the distribution, then the assets of this organization shall be distributed to a fund, foundation or organization which is organized and operated exclusively for the purpose specified in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. " This clause is a requirement of the IRS before they will approve our 501(c)(3) status. After approval during the convention we will have to modify our incorporation paper with the State of New Mexico Corporation Commission and copy the IRS to show proof of change. After the convention we will finalize our direct mail appeal to selected businesses for contribution to the mission of NMLF. In the Fall we are laying plans for our Celebrity Celebration to kick off our appeal for funds through the end of 1993. Our Annual Report reflects our progress, and we hope that all concerned are pleased. During the convention we will be issuing a small but symbolic check to support the programs of NMLA from our first year of existence. The Bylaws require that a certain percentage of earned interest be turned over to NMLA every year. This year it is about \$9.00.

NMLA Representative to the White House Task Force: Cheryl Wilson reported that the White House Conference Follow-Up Group met in Socorro last July. Action taken on issues discussed include: 1. NMCLIS delegates and selected other individuals received a copy of the WHCLIS summary report. 2. NMCLIS information appeared in the Hitchhiker. 3. the 36 New Mexico resolutions were prioritized, and 4. some funding may be allocated by the State Library for travel to the meeting in Indianapolis. The group plans to meet again.

### OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

### NEW BUSINESS

Jenny Minter announced that a needs assessment has been completed for a proposed Associate of Applied Science degree in Library Technology at the Dona Ana Branch of New Mexico State University. There appears to be a need in Southern New Mexico and West Texas for a program of this type. The program is planned to begin in Fall 1994. Please contact Jenny if you have suggestions.

### CONFERENCE MEETINGS

Drew Harrington announced that the General Business Meeting will be held on March 18, 1993, from 3:30-5:15 p.m. The Board is expected to give reports at this meeting. The next Executive Board Meeting and Breakfast will be on Saturday, March 20, 1993, from 8 a.m. to noon. Duties

are listed on the agenda for the Wednesday meeting. Some other items tabled at the Wednesday meeting will be discussed on Saturday.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Drew Harrington announced that the Newsletter Deadline is March 26, 1993. Mail, FAX, or phone in news items to Donnie Curtis.

FINAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cancelled meetings at Conference will be announced at the General Business Meeting and posted on the message board.

The meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanette Smith  
Secretary