New Mexico Library Association
Executive Board Meeting
July 6, 2001

Call to Order: President Kay Krehbiel called the meeting to order at 1:06 pm in the conference room of the Main Library at New Mexico State University.

Roll Call: Kay Krehbiel, Earl Phillips, Linda O’Connell, Allison Almquist, Carol Frick, Norice Lee, Kathy Matter, Barb Rosen, Lorie Mitchell, Ben Wakashige, Charlene Greenwood, Claire Odenheim, Tracy Antonuk

Agenda: Approved.

Minutes: Norice made a motion to approve the minutes for the board meeting of 4/18/01. Earl Phillips seconded, passed by voice vote.

Announcements: Paul Agriesti is retiring as archivist from the State Library. His many contributions to NMLA and librarianship in New Mexico were mentioned. A reception will be held at the Library on July 27 at 2:00 pm. A replacement has not been selected. Lorie Mitchell will no longer serve as chair of the Public Relations committee. Earl Phillips will select her replacement.

Treasurer’s Report: Carol Frick announced that $10,008.28 is currently in the general budget.

Expected: $ 115,485.00 - income

115,335.00 - conference 2002

She will make adjustments to the line items in the budget in order to keep better track of how money is spent. Included in her report were a chart of accounts, and conference expenses for 2001 and those proposed for 2002.

Earl reported for Lori Grumet what was bought and sold for gifts and awards for Marrion Dorroh Award (part of conference Local Arrangements).

Kay proposed to put $500.00 in budget for Library Legislation Day in line item with support for the Go Bond, also, $1000.00 for Intellectual Freedom and $1000.00 for the lobbyist. There was a discussion of budgeting $500.00 for ALA to send representatives (we are allowed 2) to delegate assembly. Earl moved to accept the budget, Norice seconded and motion passed.

Vice President’s Report: Earl commented on the richness of offerings at the annual ALA conference in San Francisco. He recommends planning ahead before attending in order to gain the most benefit.

ALA Councilor: Thaddeus Bejnar will write a clarification of our status as a 501 C-3 for IRS. It is tied to our lobbying efforts.

Awards: Toni Beatty’s report announced for the committee that a possible new award would be for the school library that makes the most progress on implementing Task Force standards.

Bylaws: Allison passed out new pages for the Grey Books including updates to board members and committees. She promised to correct e-mail addresses.

Program Planning: Tracy Antonuk reported the results of the 2001 conference evaluation packet. The comments of attendees and vendors should become part of planning the next conference. She also included a Program Proposal form for the 2002 conference. Finally she detailed many of the events, places, times and some key people for conference 2002. Earl mentioned his progress on scheduling Barbara and Laura Bush as speakers who will focus on literacy. He also talked about plans to get vendor underwriters for a vendor reception to be held at Corbett Center. Also needed are more people visiting vendor booths – encourage attendees to come with a clearer notice about free breakfasts and lunches.

Conference Site: Linda O’Connell reported that Kay had already signed a contract with the Albuquerque Sheraton for conference 2003. She recommended that we sign up Corbett Center again April 21-23, 2004.
The 2002 mini-conference to be held in Southeastern New Mexico. A motion was made, seconded and passed.

**Education committee:** No report

**Legislation & Intellectual Freedom:** In a written report Kay stated that Sarah Henderson is to co-chair the committee with Beverly McFarland. Their efforts to secure funds from the Legislature will be aided by the Library Bond committee formed to campaign for GO Bonds in 2002. They will be asking for $35,000.00 to be distributed in varying amounts to school, public and academic libraries. A motion is needed to approve NMLA support of this and efforts every other year to secure bond monies.

**Membership:** Rogers Barde reiterated membership statistics. NMLA currently has about 550 members.

**Public Relations:** Due to the growth of her business, Lorie Mitchell is stepping down as chair. She announced that the membership survey will be available on the listserv by mid July.

**Nominations and Elections:** Charlene announced that the committee has found good solid candidates for the 2001-03 board election. Eileen Longworth for Vice-President, Shirlene Gordon for Secretary, Leslie Chamberlain for Member-at-Large. Another committee member is needed. More candidates are also needed.

**Mountain Plains Library Association:** Charlene listed the 10 winners of free memberships, their benefits, and the MPLA website (www.usd.edu/mpla) She previously urged NMLA members to attend the December conference in Phoenix as a good source of conference presenters for NMLA.

**New Mexico Library Foundation:** Charlene reported NMLF $1000.00 grants to Embudo and Jemez Springs public libraries. Two more grants will be decided July 16. A raffle drawing at Acoma’s Public Library’s 2nd anniversary netted 2 winners – Kathy Flannery Ayers and Dora Trudell. The first newsletter was mailed and NMLF continues to place a half page ad in the NMLA newsletter.

**State Library:** Ben Wakashige reported that the Leadership Institute had 36 attendees. He urged NMLA to be active in selecting participants and to think about providing funds. The Institute will be held every other year due to funding. The Library continues to support blue (public library) signs. Plans to coordinate all NM libraries for resource sharing of electronic sources (with access from home and library) are being considered with the help of NMCAL.

**Old Business:**

Kay will contact previous strategic planners for help developing a new plan.

The following Members-at-Large will assist SIGs:

- **Barbara Rosen:** Local and Regional History – Peter Ives
  Native American Libraries – Mary Alice Tsosie
  NM Preservation Alliance – Ann Massman
- **Norice Lee:** Reforma – Leslie Monsalve-Jones
  Paraprofessional – Teddie Payne
- **Kathy Matter:** Advocacy for School Libraries – Rogers Barde, Judy Hulsey, Claire Odenheim
  Youth Services – Leo McCormick
- **Olivia Newfield:** Northern NM Youth Services – Vaunda Nelson
  Public Libraries – Jeannette Lassell
  WHCLIS – Betty Long

**New Business:**

The Task Force will support the GO Bond and work with Eileen Longworth of the Library Bond committee. They will develop talking points for use with the legislators and others, support a ballot initiative, books over electronic sources (since books have been neglected). They will produce a pamphlet
or handout. Other related issues were also discussed. Carol Frick then moved to have NMLA officially support these efforts, Earl Phillips seconded. Motion passed.

Linda O’Connell’s contract to be renewed for another year. She has responsibilities involving conference planning, vendor contacts, and membership. Earl moved that her contract be renewed, Claire seconded. Motion passed.

A Bylaw change for the Grey Books – NMLA members may be paid for travel and fees while on Association business.

The SIG Advocacy for School Libraries held a joint meeting with the Task Force on June 9th in Santa Fe at the St. Francis School. The meeting broke up into committees; each dedicated to a specific aspect of the Task Force standards. It was well attended and another meeting is planned for September in Albuquerque.

Next meeting: 1:00 pm on October 12 in the NMT Library in Socorro.

E-mail Actions:

5-14-01 Kay requested that board members, SIGS and committees send budget requests to Linda

5-14-01 Kay asked Thaddeus to move that NMLA pay $750.00 gross receipts tax for Linda O’Connell for 2001
5-17-01 Thaddeus made motion to pay Linda’s gross receipts tax
5-18-01 Kay asks for a second
5-19-01 Kathy Matter seconds the motion
5-20-01 Kay asks for discussion
5-23-01 Kay states that is no discussion ensues, she will ask for a vote by 8pm
5-23-01 Earl asks if NMLA can afford to pay the tax
5-25-01 Kay reported 4 yes votes, needs more
5-25-01 Motion passed.

7-02-01 Charlene reported that the SDE has not yet called a meeting (Re: Reading Initiative committee)

Meeting Adjourned: 4:30 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Claire Odenheim, Secretary