

# Minutes of the North Carolina Library Association

## Minutes of the Executive Board April 6, 1978

The Executive Board of the North Carolina Library Association met for a dinner meeting at 6:00 p.m. on April 16, 1978 at the North Carolina State University Faculty Club in Raleigh. Board members present were Leonard Johnson, H. William O'Shea, Artemis Kares, Richard Barker, Susan Lyons, Christopher Baar-Lindsay, Elvin Strowd, Jean Porter, Louise Boone, Annette Phinazee, Norma Royal, I.T. Littleton, Rosalind Campbell, Carlton Sears, Elizabeth Detty, Arial Stephens, Jane Snyder, and Cordelia Inks. Also present was Gene Lanier, Chairman of the Department of Library Science at East Carolina University. President Leonard Johnson presided.

The Secretary requested that the meetings of the Executive Board be tape recorded. There being no objection, this was done.

Richard Barker, Treasurer, introduced Susan Lyons, the new Executive Secretary of NCLA. Mr. Barker then distributed the budget report for 1977-78 and the budget report for the 1977 biennial conference, which he noted did not include attendance

figures for the pre-conference.

The Board then considered the minutes of the December 9, 1977 meeting. Arial Stephens moved that the reading of the minutes be dispensed with and that they be approved as written. Annette Phinazee seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Norma Royal, ALA representative, presented a written report on the 1978 ALA Midwinter Conference in Chicago. Ms. Royal informed the Board that she has received a letter of thanks from the ALA Executive Director, Robert Wedgeworth for NCLA's gift to ALA's Washington office. North Carolina was one of only five state library associations making such a contribution.

I.T. Littleton, SELA representative, reported on a number of SELA activities discussed at the SELA Executive Board meeting which he attended at ALA Midwinter. SELA has established a clearing house on bibliographic instruction at David Lipscomb College in Nashville, Tennessee, has prepared a directory of bibliographic instruction programs in the Southeast, and will present a program on

this topic at the convention in New Orleans. A directory of special collections in the Southeast will also be issued. The prospects are good for continuing the position of Executive Director of SELA.

Mr. Johnson called the Board's attention to the fact that Dr. Littleton's term as SELA representative will expire this fall. J.B. Howell, President of SELA, has appointed Mary Canada, Elizabeth Copeland, and Leonard Johnson, Chairman, to serve as a nominating committee for this position. The committee, which will meet tomorrow following the general session, welcomes recommendations for nominees.

As requested by the Board, Dr. Littleton had investigated group plane and hotel rates for the ALA and SELA conventions. He reported that Delta Airlines can provide a fare reduction of \$30.00 per person for groups of ten or more who fly to

and from Chicago together. The following agreed to be the contact persons for those interested in arranging a "group of ten" flight in their respective areas: Dr. Littleton, Raleigh-Durham-Chapel Hill; Mr. Stephens, Charlotte; and Mr. Johnson, Greensboro-Winston-Salem. These special flights will be announced at tomorrow's general session and in *Tar Heel Libraries*. The only special flights available to the SELA convention in New Orleans are with Southern which provides a charter flight for at least 100 persons for only a \$20.00 savings. No special hotel rates can be arranged for either convention.

Chairpersons of sections then reported. Christopher Baar-Lindsay of Children's Services reported that this Section has just co-sponsored the Storytelling Festival with North Carolina State Library, has started a resource-file of hard-to-locate

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items such as toys, and will issue its second newsletter soon.

Elvin Strowd reported on several activities of the college and university section. Letters were written to thirty-five academic library directors asking that they contact their Congressmen urging continuation of Title II-A. The Section is proceeding with plans to join the Association of Research Libraries following a poll of the membership which resulted in 170 members favoring joining and one member opposed. Members of the Section will be asked for their suggestions for a tutorial to be held in the early spring of 1979.

Documents Section Chairperson Jean Porter outlined plans for a workshop on U.S. Census publications to be sponsored by the Section at McKimmon Center in Raleigh on April 27 and 28. She stated that Elaine Lenge of Western Carolina University is the new editor of *The Docket* and that a directory of documents librarian in the state is being updated. A meeting on State documents is planned for October 20 at the McKimmon Center. Ms. Porter also announced that Mary Elizabeth Poole of North Carolina State University's D.H. Hill Library will be presented the Child's Award on June 28 at the ALA conference.

Arial Stephens moved that the Board send Ms. Poole a letter of congratulations on her receipt of this award. Louise Boone seconded the motion. The motion passed. William O'Shea asked that the Documents Section consider sponsoring a workshop for librarians not in depository libraries.

Arial Stephens reported for William Roberts, Trustees Section Chairman who could not be present, that the Trustee-Librarian Workshop to be held in Chapel Hill on April 10 and 11 had a pre-registration of over 100.

Mrs. Elizabeth Detty, Chairperson of the North Carolina Association of School Librarians, told the Board that the

Association's fall workshop will be held November 16-17 in Winston-Salem with the theme "Current Legislation — New Meanings for Media." Mrs. Detty reported that NCASL is looking into an informal request to establish a section for independent schools under NCASL and is in the process of selecting scholarship recipients.

Arial Stephens, Chairperson of the Public Libraries Sections, reported that the Section's Planning Council met in mid-January and that almost all committees have met and will meet again next week. The film "Prescription for Public Relations in Public Libraries", prepared by the Public Relations Committee, is now available for \$150.00 from Art Goetz of the Johnston County Public Library. The Young Adults Committee is planning a newsletter.

Annette Phinazee presented reports from two organizations to which NCLA belongs — the State Council for Social Legislation and FOUNT (Friends of University Television).

The tentative 1979 Legislative Program of the State Council for Social Legislation was distributed and Board Members were asked to indicate which of the items should be included in the Council's legislative program. She reported that Reta Richardson, Chief Consultant, School Television Programming presided over a program at the 1977 NCLA Biennial Conference. There was also a request for proposals for projects involving public television.

The Board then moved to consideration of old business. Mr. Johnson stated that he had appointed a handbook committee chaired by Mrs. Frances Johnson. Section chairpersons are asked to prepare reports on their sections for the handbook and committee chairpersons have been asked to preview their sections for the handbook for possible revision.

Dr. Phinazee reported for Alberta Smith of the North Carolina State Library on the progress of plans for the Governor's Conference on Libraries. Eight regional meetings or speakouts are planned to provide input into the state conference. The Board was asked to recommend librarians to organize each of the eight speakouts and to comment on a map prepared by Ms. Smith showing the division of the state into eight sections for the regional meetings. Sue Gilkerson, Mae Tucker, Kay Anderson, Bob Burgin, and Elizabeth Copeland were mentioned as possibilities to head the speakouts. The Board recommended that some of the eight proposed divisions be revised, particularly those in the East, taking into consideration councils of government and library systems. In addition, the Board recommended that the speakouts be held from mid-August to mid-September. Sections were asked to identify problems and issues for the October Governor's Conference.

Under new business the Board heard a request from Gene Lanier, Chairman of the Department of Library Science at East Carolina University, that the Board look into the State Department of Personnel's procedures and criteria for reclassification of library personnel. Dr. Lanier moved that the President appoint a committee to investigate the reclassification of SPA positions to professional positions without the minimum professional requirements. Mr. O'Shea seconded the motion. Following discussion of the matter, the motion was passed. Mr. Johnson will appoint a committee from the Board representing different types of libraries to look into the situation.

Mrs. Detty then reported that she and Mr. Johnson had met with representatives of other media organizations in the state and organized the North Carolina Media

Council. The Council will plan workshops, serve as forum for the exchange ideas, and propose and sponsor legislation. Mrs. Detty moved that NCLA join the Council. Mr. O'Shea seconded. The motion carried. NCLA will pay \$25 as annual dues to the Media Council. Mr. Johnson and the Chairperson of NCLA's Audio-Visual Committee will represent NCLA on the Council.

Mr. Johnson announced that he had received a letter from the North Carolina Department of Administration's Goals and Policy Board giving a list of persons available to speak.

The meeting adjourned at 10:15.



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