

# NCLA Minutes And Reports

## North Carolina Library Association Minutes of the Executive Board

June 4, 1982

The Executive Board of the North Carolina Library Association met Friday, June 4 in the Guilford Room at Guilford Technical Institute at Jamestown. Members present were Mertys Bell, Leland Park, Carol Southerland, Mary Jo Godwin, Bob Pollard, Gwen Jackson, Bill O'Shea, Emily Boyce, Mae Tucker, Jonathan Lindsey, Cindy Pendergraft, John Pritchard, Shirley Jones, Paula Short, Nancy Fogarty, Doris Anne Bradley and Ruth Katz. Sue Williams, Vice-Chairperson of the Children's Services Section, and Judith Sutton, Vice-Chairperson of the Public Library Section, represented their sections. Also attending were Arial Stephens, Louise Boone, Elizabeth Laney, Patrick Valentine and Willie McGough.

President Bell called the meeting to order to 10:30 a.m. The secretary read the minutes of the March 19 and 20, 1982 meetings. They were approved with no corrections.

Bob Pollard gave the treasurer's report for the period January 1, 1982 - March 31, 1982 and distributed samples of the new membership cards. A question was raised about the ALA Representative's expenses. Mr. Pollard reminded the board that the association is on record to pay the representative's full expenses. Rather than amend the budget at this time, the board asked the treasurer to indicate the item as actual expenses.

Arial Stephens gave the final financial report on the 1981 Joint Conference.

Dr. Park reported that Arabelle Shockley has resigned as Local Arrangements Chairperson for the 1983 conference and that Robert Burgin has been appointed to the post. Mr. O'Shea made a motion to approve the appointment, Mr. Pritchard seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Park asked for comments and suggestions for the 1983 conference. The board expressed a preference for no preconferences and encouraged sections to incorporate such activities into the regular conference program.

Jonathan Lindsey reported for *North Carolina Libraries* announcing editorial board changes and plans for upcoming issues. In response to an inquiry about editorial board representation for the Roundtable on the Status of Women in Librarianship, the NCL Board suggests to the NCLA Board that their representation parallel their representation parallel their representation on the NCLA Board.

Ruth Katz made a motion that the NCLA Board approve the addition of a Roundtable on the Status of Women in Librarianship representative on the editorial board of *NC Libraries* and that the Constitution, Codes and Handbook Revision Committee change all references to NCLA "sections" to read "sections and roundtables". Emily Boyce seconded and the motion passed.

In Gene Lanier's absence, Emily Boyce distributed copies of a written report from the Intellectual Freedom Committee. President Bell announced that Dr. Lanier had been awarded the 1982 Hugh M. Hefner First Amendment Award. Gwen Jackson made a motion that a special commendation be given to Dr. Lanier for his substantial contribution to the cause of Intellectual Freedom and in recognition of his receiving the Hugh M. Hefner Award in Chicago on May 1982. John Pritchard seconded the motion; all approved.

There was some discussion about increasing the Intellectual Freedom Committee's budget to cover expenses. It was noted that Dr. Lanier and ECU had absorbed a lot of these expenses. The president agreed to respond to the matter.

Patrick Valentine, reporting for the Library Resources Committee, asked for comments from the membership concerning the revision of North Carolina's Interlibrary-Loan Code particularly in the areas of fees and lending of current fiction.

Carol Southerland, Chairperson of the Membership Committee, distributed samples of the new membership brochure.

President Bell read a report from the Nominating Committee with the results of the election of the SELA Representative. Rebecca Ballentine was elected to the position.

The president announced the resignation of Kay Murray after which there was some discussion concerning the method and qualifications of the replacement. The need for "new blood" as well as the desire to have continuity and experienced board members was expressed. The president asked all section chairpersons to contact their members for nominations for Director and to submit the names with supporting information to her by Sept. 1. Jon Lindsey suggested having an ad hoc committee review the nominations with the president and recommend to the board the replacement for Ms. Murray.

The Scholarship Committee report was given by Elizabeth Laney. Winners were Gail Harrell, Viola Roth and Charlotte Darwin. Loan recipients were Dan Campbell, Barbara Kirby and Joyce P. Kelly.

Willie McGough reported that the Public Relations Committee had surveyed the membership and they expressed a need for assistance with handling censorship issues. He suggested the association produce some high quality TV spots with the funding to come from private industry. Some of the board members were opposed to accepting such funds. Mary Jo Godwin, Chairperson of the Public Library Section Public Relations Committee, invited Mr. McGough to attend their next meeting so the two committees can coordinate their activities.

Louise Boone shared highlights of 1982 Legislative Day. The group called on all thirteen congressmen and the two senators and came home with feelings of satisfaction and conviction.

Section reports were given by Sue Williams for Children's Services, John Pritchard for JMRT, Shirley Jones for Junior College, Judith Sutton for both Public Library and Trustee Sections and Nancy Fogarty for Reference and Adult Services.

Cindy Pendergraft of Documents said the section sponsored a very successful workshop in April which was attended by Raymond Taylor, Superintendent of Documents.

Paula Short of the Association of School Librarians distributed sample copies of the association's newsletter and announced that the association's conference will be November 4 & 5 in Winston-Salem.

The Resources and Technical Services Section Chairperson, Doris Anne Bradley, reported three interest groups, Serials, Cataloging and Acquisitions, have affiliated with the section. A workshop on collection development to be jointly sponsored by RTSS and the College and University Section is being planned for April, 1983. Plans are being developed for a \$250 award to send a technical services librarian to the 1983 NCLA biennial conference.

Ruth Katz of the Roundtable on the Status of Women in Librarianship announced that a workshop, "Getting Our Fair Share: Personally and Professionally", will be held July 29 - 30 at Guilford College. The roundtable is also planning to publish a newsletter.

SELA Representative Mae Tucker reminded the board of the biennial conference in Louisville Nov. 10 - 13. The association held a conference on "School and Children's Services" at Boone June 4 - 6.

President Bell distributed copies of recommended changes in the Honorary and Life Membership Committee proposed by the Constitution, Codes and Handbook Revision Committee. Ms. Boyce made a motion to accept the changes. John Pritchard seconded the motion and all approved.

The State Council for Social Legislation's legislative priorities were presented. Dr. Park and Mr. O'Shea recommended that the board "single-shot vote" for expanded library service. The board agreed to this response.

President Bell read a letter she had written to legislators in support of the ERA. The board concurred. ALA had requested \$2500 for field coordinators for the ERA. NC United for ERA asked for a waiver of the stipulation that these funds be used only for mailing, communication, etc. and not for salaries. President Bell discussed the matter with staff at ALA and decided not to grant the waiver.

A letter from Gail Keresey, JMRT Constitution Committee Chairperson, asking if the JMRT ballot could be included with the mailing of the NCLA ballot was read. Bob Pillard responded that this would not be convenient with the current programming of the computer and would require manual pulling and stuffing of JMRT ballots. There was some discussion and Mr. O'Shea suggested that the president and the treasurer should decide what to do.

President Bell addressed the group of Health Sciences Librarians meeting in May about the benefits of affiliating with NCLA.

The meeting adjourned at 3:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Jo P. Godwin  
Secretary

**Intellectual Freedom Resolution  
Approved September 17, 1982  
Executive Board, NCLA**

- WHEREAS, we as concerned citizens in a democratic society and as librarians do recognize the growing problem of censorship in our state, and
- WHEREAS, we believe that libraries should be a marketplace of ideas and make available the widest diversity of views and expressions to their users, and
- WHEREAS, well known and widely accepted books and other library materials have been attacked by overzealous advocates of so-called "clean" literature, and
- WHEREAS, the First Amendment rights of our citizens have been threatened by these groups, and
- WHEREAS, professional librarians use specific written criteria and review mechanisms for selection of materials in building library collections, and
- WHEREAS, if current state laws are modified, librarians may be subjected to undue harassment or punitive action, and
- WHEREAS, we believe it is impossible to legislate morals, and
- WHEREAS, minors are protected under current legislation, and
- WHEREAS, we believe in the right of an individual to choose, and
- WHEREAS, North Carolina statutes dealing with obscene materials have been declared constitutional by the courts,
- THEREFORE, be it resolved that we do hereby support the retention of the prior adversary hearing in N.C. Statute 14-190.2.

## Honorary and Life Membership Committee By-Laws Changes Adopted June 4, 1982

### Personnel:

Chairman, plus six members, representing various sections, in addition to the President of the Association exofficio. *The Chairman will be selected from the outgoing committee for continuity.*

### Function:

1. To seek recommendations for honorary and life membership by notices in the Summer and Fall issues of *N. C. Libraries*. Recommendations should be accompanied by biographical information, including contributions to librarianship. All nominations should be submitted by January 31 of the conference year.
2. To recommend to the Executive Board, at the Spring Workshop prior to the conference, names of persons deemed worthy to receive these honors. *The President of N.C.L.A. will notify the honorees by phone and letter within a month after the Spring Workshop and report their response to the Chairman.*
- \*3. To prepare the citations and have the certificates lettered and framed.
4. *To notify the honorees of the time and place of the conference and present the awards. The Chairman will perform these duties.*

### Criteria:

1. Honorary memberships may be given to non-librarians who have rendered important services to the library interests of the state.
  2. Life memberships may be given to librarians who have served as members of the North Carolina Library Association and who have made noteworthy contributions to librarianship in the state. These memberships are limited to librarians who have retired.
  3. Honorary memberships for non-librarians should be given at a time considered appropriate in relation to the contribution made.
  4. Contributions of both groups should be above the local level.
  5. Selections of the past are to be reviewed with the idea of adding any persons overlooked.
- \* Number 3, current functions deleted.

## NCLA Nominating Committee Report

The following are nominees for NCLA Executive Board officers for 1983-85. Biographical data will appear in the Spring 1983 issue of *North Carolina Libraries*.

### *First Vice-President (President Elect)*

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### *Secretary*

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Transylvania County Public Library  
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## NCLA Biennial Meeting Dates

**1983:** October 25-28 in Winston-Salem, North Carolina

**1985:** October 1-5 in Raleigh, North Carolina