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# NCLA Minutes and Reports

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## North Carolina Library Association Minutes of the Executive Board

October 25, 1983

The Executive Board of the North Carolina Library Association met on October 25, 1983, in the Regency Ballroom No. 2 at the Hyatt House, Winston-Salem, N. C. Members present were Mertys Bell, Leland Park, Carol Southerland, Mary Jo Godwin, Gwen Jackson, Emily Boyce, Rebecca Ballentine, Robert Burgin, Kathy Woodrell, Robert Bland, Dawn Hubbs, Shirley Jones, John Pritchard, William Bridgman, Nancy Fogarty, Doris Anne Bradley, Ruth Katz, and Gary Barefoot. Also present were committee chairmen, members of the incoming Executive Board, and the conference committee. Board members absent were Bob Pollard, Gerald Hodges, Bill O'Shea, and Paula Short.

President Bell called the meeting to order. She introduced Larry Roland of Ruzicka-South and thanked him for printing the conference program and gave special thanks to Brenda Cotten of Ruzicka for the program design and layout.

Minutes of the July 22, 1983, meeting were read and approved.

The president recognized Dr. Park, who announced that preconference registrations were over 1,000 and exhibit booths rented numbered 90 and that Mrs. Bush would not be attending due to the crisis in Lebanon. Park thanked all who had worked hard toward making the conference a success, particularly Robert Burgin, Bill Kirwan, Sharon Crowe, Ariel Stephens, and the staff at Forsyth County Library.

Mr. Stephens announced the dates of upcoming conferences: SELA October 15-20, 1984, Biloxi, MS; and NCLA October 1-5, 1985, Raleigh. Winston-Salem is being considered as the site for 1992 SELA Conference by the SELA Site Selection Committee.

Committee and section chairs were reminded to submit all biennial reports by November 8 if they are to be included in the next issue of *North Carolina Libraries*, the conference issue. New section chairpersons should notify NCL editor Robert Burgin as to who will be their section representatives on the NCL Editorial Board. The journal's new advertising manager is Jeff Sauer of Western Carolina. The rate for foreign subscriptions has been increased to \$25.00.

Eunice Drum distributed copies of the treasurer's report for January 1, 1983-September 30, 1983.

The president recognized the section chairpersons for reports. All submitted written reports. Dr. Shirley Jones, chairperson of the Junior College Section, presented the section's revised bylaws which had been reviewed by the section and the Constitution, Codes, and Handbook Committee. She made a motion that they be approved. Ms. Boyce seconded, and the Board approved. She announced that Doris Betts, the scheduled conference speaker, was unable to attend due to the death of her father. Dr. James Clark will substitute with a presentation on Thomas Wolfe. Beverley Gass has been selected as the section's representative on the NCL Editorial Board.

Judie Davie reported for NCASL. She thanked the program committee for arranging one full day of school-oriented programming. Paula Short, NCASL president, now resides in Shreveport, LA, and gave birth on October 14. The section has prepared a guide book for School Library Media Day to be held April 11, 1984. Governor Hunt has prepared a proclamation designating the day "School Library Media Day in North Carolina."

RTSS Section chairperson, Doris Anne Bradley, reported that Mary D. Ruble, Belk Library, Appalachian State University, was the winner of the RTSS Grant of \$250 for the Biennial Conference. Catherine Baron, systems engineer for IBM, was the recipient of the Best Article Award of \$100 for her article, "Open Versus Closed Periodicals Stacks in a Research Library: How to Study the Question."

President Bell recognized and introduced the incoming NCLA officers and Board members.

Roy Day, Community Education Committee chairperson, reported that the committee had completed a survey of North Carolina libraries' efforts to combat illiteracy. They concluded that a cooperative effort involving the community colleges, public libraries, public schools, local literacy councils, and other agencies or organizations appeared to be the most effective means of addressing the literacy problem.

Ben Speller submitted a written report from the Goals and Objectives Committee with the results of the committee's membership attitude survey. The committee found the sample to be representative of the North Carolina population and that type of library environment appeared to have no impact on librarians' attitudes toward NCLA. North Carolina librarians maintain NCLA membership because of an obligation to support the association, for the opportunity to communicate with colleagues and because of an interest in library legislation. The committee outlined six recommendations for the Executive Board.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Mary Jo P. Godwin, Secretary

## North Carolina Library Association Minutes of the Business Meeting

Friday, October 28, 1983

The North Carolina Library Association met during the Biennial Conference at 9:00 a.m., Friday, October 28, at the Benton Convention Center, Winston-Salem, N.C. President Mertys Bell called the meeting to order. All present joined in a moment of silence in memory of deceased librarians and trustees. President Bell read aloud the names of the deceased.

The president recognized Emily Boyce who presented proposed changes in the association's constitution as recommended by the Executive Board and the NCLA Constitution, Codes, and Handbook Committee. The proposed change extends the term of treasurer to four years rather than the present two

years and becomes effective at the adjournment of the biennial meeting following his election. Ms. Boyce made a motion to adopt the change as presented. The motion was properly seconded and was approved by the membership.

The president recognized Martha Davis, chairperson of the Resolutions Committee, who presented a resolution regarding participation of librarians in curriculum reform. The resolution calls for the appointment of a librarian representing NCLA to the N.C. Commission on Education for Economic Growth. This appointment would assure a librarian's participation in the state-level discussion and development of revised curricula for grades K-12. The motion to adopt the resolution was seconded by Nancy Fogarty and approved by the membership.

Ms. Davis presented the following resolutions: a resolution of thanks to the officials of the City of Winston-Salem and Forsyth County, the staff of Benton Convention Center, Hyatt Hotel, and all individuals actively involved in the planning and activities of the conference with special thanks extended to conference speakers; a resolution honoring W. Robert Pollard, NCLA treasurer for the past four years; a resolution of gratitude to Jonathan A. Lindsey, editor of *North Carolina Libraries* for the past five years; and a resolution of appreciation to Mertys Bell for dedicated service as president. Gary Barefoot seconded the motion to adopt the resolutions as presented. The motion passed.

President Bell gave a report to the membership highlighting the association's accomplishments during the biennium. She challenged the association to continue to focus public awareness on libraries and library related matters such as illiteracy. President Bell passed the gavel to Dr. Leland Park, the new president, who adjourned the meeting.

Mary Jo P. Godwin, Secretary

# North Carolina Library Association Minutes of the Executive Board October 28, 1983

The Executive Board of the North Carolina Library Association met Friday, October 28, at 7:30 p.m. in the Granville Suite of the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Winston-Salem. Members present were Leland Park, Pauline Myrick, Jane Williams, Roberta Williams, Bob Pollard, Mertys Bell, Eunice Drum, Robert Burgin, Jerry Thrasher, Karen Perry, Andrea Brown, Judie Davie, Benjamin Speller, Dorothy Burnley, Vivian Beech, and Mary P. Williams. Bill Bridgman represented the Public Library Section. Also present were Arial Stephens and Elizabeth Laney. Board members absent were Emily Boyce, Rebecca Ballentine, Shirley McLaughlin, Robert Bland, Emily Correll, Judith Sutton, Larry Barr, and Patsy Hansel.

President Park called the meeting to order. He welcomed the group and called on those present to introduce themselves.

President Park announced that Mary Jo Godwin, NCLA secretary for the 1981/83 biennium, would forward her minutes of the Executive Board meeting held on October 25th and that copies would be distributed to all board members prior to the January 1984 board meeting.

President Park announced the procedure to be followed for the recording and distribution of the minutes of future board meetings:

1. At each board meeting, written copies of all reports are to be given to the president, secretary, the editor of *North Carolina Libraries* and the editor of *Tar Heel Libraries*.

2. The secretary will record the minutes and attach file copies of all reports. The minutes will be sent to the president for his approval within two weeks following each board meeting.
3. Copies of the minutes will be distributed to all board members ten days prior to the next meeting.

President Park distributed a schedule of the executive board meetings for 1984. He also distributed a directory with addresses and telephone numbers of the 1983/85 NCLA Executive Board. Corrections were noted and made in the directory.

President Park announced the following appointments:

1. Robert Burgin will continue to serve as editor of *North Carolina Libraries*.
2. Louise Boone will chair the Governmental Relations Committee, with Nancy Bates as vice-chair.
3. Gene Lanier will chair the Intellectual Freedom Committee.
4. Arial Stephens will serve as representative to the State Steering Committee on Networking and will report on the work of this committee to the NCLA Executive Board.

A general discussion and review of the 1983 NCLA Biennial Conference followed. Robert Burgin reported a total registration of 1,273. He also announced that 90 exhibitors spaces were sold and that the exhibitors were pleased with the response and interest shown by conference attendees. The board expressed its gratitude to Robert Burgin, Arial Stephens, Leland Park, and other members of the Conference Committee for an outstanding and successful conference. The board also expressed gratitude to the staff of the Forsyth County Public Library for all their help and especially for the wine and cheese party which they hosted.

Mary Williams, chair of the Roundtable for Ethnic Minority Concerns, reported that, by the end of the conference, 100 persons had joined the new roundtable. Officers were elected for the 1983/85 biennium, and the roundtable membership approved a proposed set of bylaws. The bylaws will be forwarded to NCLA's Constitution, Codes, and Handbook Committee for study and approval.

Bob Pollard, 1981/83 treasurer, discussed the current budget. He stated that the transfer of books from the 1981/83 treasurer to the 1983/85 treasurer will take place January 1, 1984. Pollard also announced that, as of October 20, 1983, NCLA had a total membership of 1,857.

Robert Burgin reminded everyone of the November 10 deadline for the next issue of *North Carolina Libraries*.

Arial Stephens noted that both NCLA and the Public Library Section have representatives on the North Carolina Public Librarian Certification Commission. Judith Sutton has been serving as the NCLA representative. However, she is now serving as 1983/85 chair of the Public Library Section, and, as chair, will automatically be the Public Library Section representative on the commission. Therefore, the Public Library Section voted to recommend to the Executive Board that Bill Bridgman be appointed NCLA representative to the commission. Bridgman excused himself from the meeting at this point. Robert Burgin moved that the board approve the recommendation of the Public Library Section. The motion was seconded and passed.

Mertys Bell reported on the Southeastern Library Association's Seventh Annual Presidents' Meeting which was held in Atlanta on August 25, 1983.

Elizabeth Laney distributed copies of the application forms for NCLA scholarships.

President Park presented Mertys Bell with a special engraved plaque and gavel in recognition of her outstanding leadership as 1981/83 NCLA president.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Roberta S. Williams, Secretary