
NCLA Minutes

North Carolina Library Association Minutes of the Executive Board April 12, 1985

The Executive Board of the North Carolina Library Association met on April 12, 1985 in the Green Room, Greensboro Building, Greensboro College, Greensboro. Board members present were Leland Park, Pauline Myrick, Roberta Williams, Eunice Drum, Shirley McLaughlin, Mary Avery, Judie Davie, Judith Sutton, Rebecca Ballentine, Patsy Hansel, Stuart Basefsky, Larry Barr, Karen Perry, Mertys Bell, Robert Bland, Emily Boyce, Robert Burgin, Mary P. Williams, and Benjamin F. Speller, Jr. Also present were Patricia Langelier, Marjorie Lindsey, Ariel Stephens, William Mott, Mae Tucker, Arabelle Fedora, and H. K. Griggs, Sr.

The meeting was called to order by President Leland Park. He recognized William R. Mott, Director of Library Services at Greensboro College, who welcomed everyone to the campus and spoke briefly about arrangements for the Spring Workshop.

President Park announced that, due to an increasingly heavy load of academic and teaching commitments, Robert Burgin had resigned as editor of *North Carolina Libraries*. After commending Mr. Burgin for the highly professional manner in which he handled his responsibilities as editor, the President informed the Board that he had accepted Burgin's resignation with regret. The President then announced that Associate Editor Patsy Hansel had agreed to accept appointment as editor, pending approval by the Board. Emily Boyce moved that the Board approve the appointment of Patsy Hansel as editor of *North Carolina Libraries*. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

President Park announced that the Nominating Committee would mail ballots to all NCLA members on May 1. Deadline for returning ballots is May 30. The President shared with the Board a letter from Mr. Warren W. Stumpf of Stone and Edwards Insurance Brokers and Consultants of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. In this letter Mr. Stumpf described the liability insurance program developed by his company for the directors and officers of the Pennsylvania Library Association. He offered to design a similar plan for NCLA officers and Board members. After some discussion, it was decided not to pursue Mr. Stumpf's offer, due to legal issues involved and also due to the fact that a number of Board members already have liability coverage provided by their employers. President Park also shared copies of letters from various federal and state government officials expressing their support of NCLA and library services in North Carolina.

The minutes of the January 25, 1985 Executive Board meeting were presented by Roberta Williams, Secretary. One correction was noted on page 4, paragraph 1. For clarification, the secretary was instructed to rewrite the last two sentences in this paragraph to read as follows:

"Dr. Davie observed that a master's degree is required for state certification, but the salary schedule for media specialists is the same as for teaching faculty with a bachelor's degree."

The minutes were then approved as corrected.

Eunice Drum gave the Treasurer's report and distributed copies to all Board members. She stated that she had been asked about one-year NCLA memberships for individuals planning to retire before the end of a biennium. After some discussion, the question of dues for retirees was referred to the Futures Committee for study and recommendations.

Arabelle Fedora, Chairman of the Futures Committee, reported that her committee was still assessing priorities and gathering data. She handed out copies of a brief questionnaire which she planned to distribute to everyone attending the Spring Workshop. She stressed that the Committee needs input and information from many people in order to accomplish its goals. The Committee hopes to be able to present its recommendations to the Executive Board by Spring 1986.

Reporting for *North Carolina Libraries*, Robert Burgin announced the appointment of Julie Sanders of the Forsyth County Public Library as Advertising Manager. The Spring 1985 issue on Collection Development should be mailed by mid-April. Future issues include Summer 1985, Library History (guest editor, Maury York); Fall 1985, Library Services to Institutions (guest editor, Jim Myrick); Winter 1985, Conference Issue; and Spring 1986, Two-year and Community College Libraries (guest editor, Beverly Gass). Burgin also thanked the Board members for their support during his tenure as editor.

Pauline Myrick, President-Elect, and Ariel Stephens, Conference Manager, gave an update report on plans for the 1985 Biennial Conference. They emphasized the July 1st deadline for printing the conference program and urged that vitae and glossy prints of all conference speakers be forwarded to the Conference Planning Committee as soon as possible. A tentative schedule of conference meetings and activities was distributed along with space assignments. It was noted that 44 exhibitors have already signed up and paid their fees.

The report for the Governmental Relations Committee was given by Ariel Stephens for Louise Boone, Chair. A delegation headed by Louise Boone will represent NCLA in Washington, D.C. at Legislative Day on April 16. Two groups of students from the North Carolina Central University School of Library Science will accompany the delegates.

A report from the Constitution, Codes and Handbook Committee was given by Mae Tucker, Chair. The Committee has studied several problems and proposed changes which have been referred to it by the Executive Board. Chairman Tucker pointed out that the Constitution cannot be amended by mail ballot. Proposed changes and amendments may be recommended by the Executive Board to the membership, but action on the proposed amendments must be taken at a business meeting following proper prior notification. Benjamin F. Speller, Jr. moved that the Constitution, Codes and Handbook Committee send its recommendations for changes in the constitution and by-laws to members of the Executive Board for their study and approval. Board approval may be obtained by mail ballot. All recommendations approved by the Board would then be published in the Summer 1985 issue of *North Carolina Libraries* and distributed to the membership. Action on the proposed recommendations would then be taken at a business session of

the North Carolina Library Association during its biennial conference in October. This motion was seconded and passed. The President then recognized Emily Boyce, who extended congratulations on behalf of the Board to Mae Tucker on her recent retirement. Board members gave Miss Tucker a large round of applause in appreciation of her many contributions to NCLA and to the profession of librarianship.

Emily Boyce reported on recent news from the American Library Association. At the ALA Midwinter meeting in Washington, D.C. on January 5-10, Council approved the report of the ad hoc Planning Process Committee. This important document is entitled *ALA Strategic Long-Range Planning: An Outline*. Ms. Boyce asked the Board's recommendations on the minimum salary questionnaire recently sent out by ALA. After some discussion, it was decided to table this issue.

President Park recognized Marge Lindsey, editor of *Tar Heel Libraries*. He expressed the Board's congratulations and best wishes on her announced plans for retirement. He praised Mrs. Lindsey for her many professional accomplishments and for her service to NCLA. Board members accorded Mrs. Lindsey a hearty round of applause for her dedicated support and many contributions to library service in North Carolina.

Karen Perry, Chair, Children's Services Section, reported that the Section has made a profit of \$90.00 thus far on the sale of notepads. Plans are being made to reprint the notepads in order to have them available to sell at the biennial conference and other events. The Section plans to have a "Notables Showcase" of books, films and filmstrips chosen from the ALA "Notables" list following its Thursday business meeting at the biennial conference. The Section will sponsor a breakfast on Friday morning with author David McPhail as guest speaker. Nominees for Section officers for the 1985-87 biennium will be listed in the Children's Services Section's August newsletter.

Robert Bland, Chair, College and University Section, reported that the Section will sponsor a workshop entitled "The Electronic Network: Sharing the Costs and the Benefits of Library Automation," on May 30-31 at Whispering Pines Country Club.

Stuart Basefsky, Chair, gave the report for the Documents Section. The Section plans to set up a table to display information about the need for public access to state publications at the Public Library Trustee Conference to be held May 29-30 at the Radisson Plaza Hotel in Raleigh. A similar display table will be manned by Section members during the biennial conference October 2-5. Basefsky introduced Ms. Pat Langelier, Chair of State Documents Depository System Committee, NCLA Documents Section. She spoke briefly to the Board about the work of her committee and the need to have NC General Statute §147-50.1 changed to establish a depository system for state documents. Basefsky and Langelier then distributed copies of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, all citizens of North Carolina have a right to information published by their state government and supported by their tax monies; and

WHEREAS, this information is not now easily available to citizens in all areas of the state; and

WHEREAS, the state of North Carolina does not have a state depository law for distribution of state publications to a network of libraries, and is one of the few states in the country without such a law; and

WHEREAS, the State and Local Documents Task Force, the Government Documents Round Table of the American Library Association, and the Association of State Library Agencies have approved suggested minimum standards for state servicing of state documents; and

WHEREAS, the state of North Carolina does not meet the approved minimum standards relating to the distribution of state publications; and

WHEREAS, there is an urgent need for action to correct the inaccessibility to state publications: Now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the North Carolina Library Association strongly supports legislation to establish a statewide depository system for North Carolina state publications that will make these publications available to libraries and citizens throughout the state; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the North Carolina Library Association authorizes the State Documents Depository System Committee of the Documents Section of the North Carolina Library Association to continue preparation of a bill to establish such a depository library system for North Carolina state publications, to work with the Governmental Relations Committee of the North Carolina Library Association to gain legislative support, and to work to gain support of citizens throughout North Carolina.

February 21, 1985

Submitted by Pat Langelier, Chair of State Documents Depository System Committee, NCLA Documents Section

Stuart Basefsky moved that the NCLA Executive Board approve this resolution. The motion was seconded and passed.

Mary Avery, Chair, gave the report for the Community and Junior College Section. Susan Janney, Secretary of the Section, will represent the Section at Legislative Day in Washington on April 16. With input from the Board, she wrote the position paper to be distributed in Washington. The Community and Junior College Board will be investigating a possible off-year summer workshop. Definite decisions on this will be made after the October biennial conference.

Vivian Beech, Chair, Junior Members Round Table, was unable to attend the meeting due to recent surgery. She sent a written report which was shared with the Board by President Park. JMRT members are still working at becoming a more visible and viable group. Brochures and application forms for the B&T Grassroots Grants and the Young Librarians Award are now ready for distribution. The JMRT Board will meet May 17 to make additional plans for the Orientation Program and "Night on the Town" which the Section plans to sponsor during the biennial conference.

The report for NCASL was given by Dr. Judie Davie, Chair. She reported that the Executive Committee of NCASL met on Saturday, February 9 in Greensboro. Action items included: the contribution of \$500.00 to AASL/AECT Standards Writing Committee; the approval of statements of support for the candidacy of Marilyn Miller for President-Elect of the American Association of School Librarians and for the candidacy of Elsie Brumback for Chair of the Supervisors Section within AASL; the establishment of \$5000.00 for the NCASL Scholarship with the interest generated to be awarded as a scholarship at the NCASL Biennial Work Conference; the acknowledgement of the \$5000.00 Appalachian Scholarship with the interest generated to be awarded as a scholarship at the NCLA Biennial Conference. National topics as possible resolutions for the 1985 AASL Affiliate Assembly were discussed. Judie Davie and Helen Tugwell will represent NCASL in Washington for ALA Legislative Day. Continued support for ECIA Chapter 2 Block Grants will be the focus. Former NCASL Chair Dr. Paula Short has been appointed Conference Chair for the Fourth National AASL Conference in Minneapolis, 1986. Clara Crabtree, Supervisor in Durham County Schools, has announced her retirement at the end of this academic year. She has been an outstanding advocate and example of professionalism in school librarianship in North Carolina and the nation. April 17, 1985 will be the capstone for school library events in Spring, 1985 as balloons are launched, stories are told, open houses are held, and media fairs are conducted in celebration of "A Nation of Readers."

Judith Sutton, Chair, gave the report for the Public Library Section. The Governmental Relations Committee of this Section has been extremely busy as N.C. legislative support is sought for HB/SB-301 providing an additional \$3 million annually in State Aid to public libraries. The Section had six representatives in attendance at the Lobbying Workshop held in Washington, D.C. during ALA Mid-Winter. In cooperation with the North Carolina Public Library Directors' Association and N.C. Friends of Public Libraries, the Section is sponsoring General Assembly Day May 2 in Raleigh. Judith Sutton and Nancy Massey will be the Section's official delegates to Legislative Day in Washington, D.C. April 16. The Public Library Section, along with the Trustees Association of NCLA, the State Library and the Institute of Government, will sponsor the 18th Annual Public Library Trustee-Librarian Conference May 29-30 at the Radisson Plaza Hotel in Raleigh. The theme of this year's conference is "Public Libraries and the Governmental Process." In addition to these activities, the Personnel Committee led by Tina Foti produced two outstanding workshops with the joint sponsorship of the Cape Fear Library Association. "How to Improve Employee Performance: Some Essentials of Supervision" was held March 15 and 16 in Clemmons and Fayetteville and featured Dr. Mardy Grothe and Dr. Peter Wylie, nationally known for their work in personal and organizational development. In addition to the continued publication of the nationally recognized "Grassroots," The Young Adult Committee under the leadership of Patrice Ebert produced a workshop March 28 in High Point on "Tools for Term Papers." The Literacy Committee will conduct a workshop, "Learning About Literacy: How to Set Up a Literacy Program in Your Library," in Kinston and Hickory on May 3 and May 24.

Reporting for Reference and Adult Services Section was Larry Barr, Chair. The Program Committee of this Section is planning a program concerning reviewing of reference works for the biennial conference. The editorial board of the proposed quarterly newsletter has selected the title, "The Reference Desk" and plans to publish the first issue in the early summer. The workshop set for May 17 on "Microcomputers in Reference and Adult Services" is fully enrolled. Principal speakers will be Mary A. Holloway, Media Evaluation Services, State Department of Public Instruction; Elizabeth Evans, Department of Psychiatry, School of Medicine, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; Rosann Collins, Business and Information Support Systems, University of North Carolina at Greensboro; and Frada Mozenter, Atkins Library, University of North Carolina at Charlotte.

Benjamin F. Speller, Jr., Chair, gave the Resources and

Technical Services Section report. An Evaluation Committee for the Best Article Award has been appointed. For this biennium's award, articles published in *North Carolina Libraries* since the last award was made will be considered. Guidelines for payment of RTSS members participating in RTSS events have been prepared by Joline Ezzell and approved by the RTSS Executive Board. A proposed revision of the RTSS Bylaws relating to appointment of interest group officers has been approved by the Executive Board; these revisions will be presented for membership vote at the Section's breakfast/business meeting. Activities to be sponsored by RTSS at the biennial conference include: Breakfast/Business meeting on Thursday morning; Cataloging Interest Group panel on "Cataloging Problems and Solutions"; Collection Development and Serials Interest Groups program on "Retrospective Buying"; and the RTSS General Program on "Authority Control—the Philosophy, Where We Are Going, and Update on Project at Library of Congress." Speller also distributed copies of the guidelines and application form for the RTSS grant to assist in expenses and encourage attendance at NCLA Biennial Conferences. Deadline for applications for this year's grant is July 1, 1985.

Patsy Hansel, Chair, distributed brochures on the workshop, "Upper Level Management Speaks to Supervisors, or, Everything We Wish We Had Known When We Started Out," to be sponsored by the Round Table on the Status of Women in Librarianship May 13-14 at the School of Library Science, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The Round Table will sponsor a speaker and fashion show for the Thursday morning session of the Biennial Conference and is moving forward with plans for a reception Thursday evening at the North Carolina State Museum of Art.

Other reports were given by Mary P. Williams (Roundtable on Ethnic Minority Concerns) and Ariel Stephens (Networking).

Treasurer Eunice Drum announced that she had official stationery and envelopes for any Board members who might need them. President Leland Park announced that he would be happy to write letters of thanks, appreciation, etc. on behalf of NCLA if Board members would let him know when such letters need to be written. He also encouraged the Board to attend the various workshops and committee meetings scheduled for Saturday, April 13 and to support these activities with their input and suggestions.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Robert S. Williams, Secretary



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