NCLA Minutes

North Carolina Library Association Minutes of the Executive Board

July 25, 1986

The Executive Board of the North Carolina Library Association met on July 25, 1986 at 10:30 a.m. at the Pine Crest Inn in Pinehurst, North Carolina. Executive board members present were Pauline F. Myrick, Patsy Hansel, Dorothy Campbell, Nancy Fogarty, Fred Roper, Rebecca Ballentine, Frances Bradburn, Arial Stephens, Benjamin Speller, Jr., Rebecca Taylor, Elizabeth Smith, Janet Rowland, Helen Tugwell, J. A. Killian, Nancy Massey, Jean Amelang, April Wreath, Sylvia Sprinkle-Hamlin, Mary McAfee, Frank Sinclair and Laura Osegueda. Committee members present were Eunice Drum, Maurice York and Pat Langelier. Also present were, Secretary Patric Dorsey of the Department of Cultural Resources; Jane Williams, Acting State Librarian; Howard McGinn, Coordinator of Network Development of the Division of State Library; William H. Roberts, III. President of the North Carolina Public Library Directors Association; Peggy Olney, Media Coordinator for the Moore County Schools and Jerry Thrasher, incoming SELA representative.

President Myrick called the meeting to order and welcomed the group to Pinehurst. She introduced Peggy Olney, media coordinator for the Moore County School System. She recognized Secretary Patric Dorsey of the Department of Cultural Resources who in turn expressed the pleasure of meeting librarians and learning more about our libraries.

The minutes of the April 18, 1986 meeting of the Executive Board were presented by Dorothy Campbell, Secretary. It was noted that the College and University Section is planning a program on online catalogs for Spring 1987, not "Fall" as recorded on page 7 in paragraph 2. With this correction, the minutes were approved.

Nancy Fogarty presented a Treasurer's Report and distributed copies to all members. The report covered the period April 1, 1986 through June 30, 1986 and showed a cash balance of \$5,469.88, disbursements totaling \$10,866.58, and a balance of \$17,409.83 for North Carolina Libraries. The balance sheet for each section was included.

Patsy Hansel, First Vice President/President Elect, presented the report of the 1987 Conference Planning Committee. The Committee requested permission to increase the charge for an exhibit booth to \$300.00. Nancy Massey moved that the Executive Board authorize the Conference Planning Committee to increase the fee for an exhibit booth to a maximum of \$300.00. The motion was seconded by Mary McAfee and passed.

Frances Bradburn, editor of North Carolina Libraries, announced a new office address and telephone number: Central Regional Education Center, 2431 North Boulevard, Gateway Plaza, Raleigh, N.C. 27604; 919/733-2864. October 11 is the projected publication date for the issue on networking. The editor informed the Board that the office is sending out a substantial number of single and complimentary copies per issue of the journal. She requested that input be provided regarding the idea of raising the institutional subscription rate from the present \$20.00 to \$25.00. After some discussion, the North Carolina Libraries Editorial Board was advised that it should make a recommendation regarding the question, basing it on the

increased cost of publication and the expense of the complimentary and exchange copies needed.

Eunice Drum, chair of the Finance Committee, presented the Proposed Budget, January 1, 1987—December 31, 1988. She stated that the budget will have to be adjusted and that the Finance Committee should hear the Futures Committee's report before making concrete recommendations. After discussing the "cushion" the Association has in savings which are not earmarked for scholarship, sections, etc., the committee decided to ask the executive board to consider certain suggested potential uses of some of these funds, with the final decision pending the report of the Futures Committee. The following suggestions were offered: (1) change the percentage of membership dues assigned to the sections, (2) give a one-time allocation of funds to the sections, based on the percentage of their membership in the Association, and (3) distribute a lump sum to each section for program speakers.

Rebecca Taylor moved that the chair of the Finance Committee direct the discussion questions on the Association's cushion to the Futures Committee with a request for their recommendation by the October board meeting, and that if a report is not received by the October meeting, the executive board will discuss these suggestions and make a decision concerning the use of these funds. The motion was seconded by Patsy Hansel and passed. The proposed budget was adopted unanimously.

Maurice York, chair of the Archives Committee, presented the Committee's request for \$150.00 to purchase acid-free document cases and folders. He asked permission for the establishment of a records center in the State Library. He commented about the increased interest in history and the need for security. Rebecca Ballentine moved that the board give consent that the past records of the North Carolina Library Association be deposited in the Division of Archives and History and that the sum of \$150.00 be granted from NCLA funds to the NCLA Archives Committee for the purchase of acid-free file folders and document cases for storing and preserving the records and that the North Carolina State Library be designated as the agency for maintaining the current records. The motion was seconded by Fred Roper and passed.

In the absence of Gene Lanier, chair of the Intellectual Freedom Committee, President Myrick reported on his recent committee activities. She also informed the board that the Scholarship Committee chair, Shelia Core has announced the 1986 recipients as follows: Kathryn Edwards Pagles and Victor Bert Eure, North Carolina Memorial Scholarship; Beth Alford Hutchison, Query-Long Scholarship; Leslee Caldwell Sumner and Roberta Ellen Newman, McLendon Student Loan. On behalf of the Nominating Committee, she announced that Jerry Thrasher will become the NCLA SELA representative for the next four years.

Fred Roper gave the report of the ALA Annual Conference held in New York from June 29—July 3, 1986, noting the following announcements: Margaret E. Chisholm has been elected vice-president/president elect of ALA; a response to the Attorney General's Commission on Pornography Report has been published by the National Coalition Against Censorship; and the time designated for the observance of the 1987 National Library Week is April 5-11, when the theme will be "Take Time to Read—Use Your Library." It was noted that an 800 telephone line with the number 1-800-545-2433 has been established for ALA.

Roper mentioned actions taken during the Conference, including the following: acceptance and endorsement of "Equity at Issue," the report of the Presidential Committee on Library Services to Minorities; the approval of the recommendation that a Public Library Fund be created; and the approval of the School Library Media Program—an interpretation of the Library Bill of Rights which was presented by the American Association of School Librarians. The outgoing councilor then expressed his appreciation to NCLA for giving him the opportunity to represent the Association on ALA Council. Roper's address is College of Library and Information Science, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC, 29208.

Rebecca Ballentine, NCLA representative to SELA, announced that the presidents of state associations in the Southeast and the SELA Executive Committee will meet in Atlanta on August 22, 1986. She stated also that she and Jerry Thrasher, incoming NCLA SELA representative, plan to attend the Biennial Conference in Atlanta on October 15. It was noted that a number of pre-conference programs and other events are previewed in the Spring issue of Southeastern Librarian.

President Myrick thanked Mrs. Ballentine for her service. She recognized Jerry Thrasher, incoming NCLA SELA representative, and expressed pleasure in having him with the executive board.

The report of the Children's Services Section was given by chair Rebecca Taylor. She reported that activity is being centered around preparing proposals related to fundraising, planning to staff membership tables at the State Library Youth Services Workshop in August and at the NCASL Work Conference in October, planning an expanded Notable Showcase for NCASL, and finalizing arrangements to present an author during the 1987 NCLA Biennial Conference. The next issue of *The Chapbook* will be published in September.

Elizabeth Smith, chair of the College and University Section, reported that the Section is continuing to focus on plans for a Spring 1987 program on online catalogs.

Frank Sinclair, vice-chair of the Community and Junior College Section, informed the board that chairperson Mary Avery expects to be present at the next NCLA Executive Board meeting.

The meeting was adjourned for lunch at 12:30 p.m. It was reconvened at 1:30 p.m. and reporting by section chairpersons was resumed.

Janet Rowland, chair of the Documents Section, reported that the workshop held on May 9 was attended by 70 persons and was declared a success. She announced the appointment of Lisa Dalton to the North Carolina Libraries Editorial Board to represent the Documents Section following the resignation of Michael Cotter. Cotter will continue to be the Section's liaison to ALA-GODORT's Documents to the People.

Rowland then presented Pat Langelier, chair of the Section's State Documents Depository System Committee. Langelier reviewed the surveys that were conducted to determine needs and interest in state documents and presented the bill drafted by the SDDS Committee, copies of which had been mailed to board members. After some discussion it was decided the NCLA will support the Documents Section in the effort to gain passage of the bill. President Myrick advised that the Section also communicate with Bill Bridgman, chair of the Governmental Relations Committee concerning this matter.

Laura Osegueda, vice-chair/chair-elect of the Junior Members Round Table, reported for chairperson Stephanie Issette, stating that a Fall workshop featuring Bruce Baldwin as speaker is being planned. The tentative title for the workshop is "Career Planning and Career Changing: The Psychology of Change." Osegueda mentioned that the North Carolina Chapter of JMRT hosted the hospitality suite of ALA JMRT during the 1986 ALA Conference

NCASL chair Helen Tugwell reported that at the 1986 ALA Conference, NCASL was well represented. Many of the members were actively involved in programs; many were appointed to national committees, both AASL and ALA. A resolution drafted by Region V (North Carolina's region) calling for active recruitment to fill school media coordinator positions was the top priority adopted by the Affiliate Assembly. Resolutions concerning accreditation standards and continuing education for school media personnel were also accepted, and an interpretation of the Library Bill of Rights as it pertains to school libraries was presented to Council for consideration.

J. A. Killian, chair of the Trustees Section, reported that the Trustee/Librarian Conference held in Winston-Salem on May 29-30 was a success according to evaluation reports. The presentation of Will Manley as the luncheon speaker was one of the highlights. Killian expressed appreciation for the presence of Secretary of Cultural Resources Patric Dorsey during the conference and for the cooperation of the State Library staff.

Nancy Massey, chair of the Public Library Section, called to the attention of the board activities of various committees. She announced the completion of a proposal for a project grant; the contribution of the Standards and Measures Committee toward the revision of Standards for North Carolina Public Libraries and the State Library Statistical Report; the successful sponsoring of a workshop by the Young Adult Committee and the Youth Services Advisory Committee on May 1; and the involvement of the Trustee/Friends Committee with the Trustee/Librarian Conference on May 29 and 30 in Winston-Salem. Massey said also that section representatives have participated in making recommendations for changes in regulations for the certification of public librarians in North Carolina. She revealed that the Literacy Committee plans to identify organizations working to combat illiteracy.

Chairperson Jean Amelang of the Reference and Adult Services Section reported that the RASS Executive Committee and Duncan Smith, Coordinator of the North Carolina Library Staff Development Program have planned a workshop with the theme "High Touch/High Tech: Enhancing Reference Service with Technology." The workshop is tentatively scheduled to be held on November 7, 1986 in the Shepard Library at NCCU.

Reporting for the Resources and Technical Services Section, chairperson April Wreath announced that the Executive Committee is expecting to mail a brochure about its fall conference "Coping with Change: Strategies for Survival." She reported that a study of the section's profile conducted by Beatrice Kovacs revealed that there were 195 members as of April 16, 1986. Plans are underway for updating the Cataloging Interest Group Directory.

It was noted that the first three numerals for the UNC-Greensboro telephone number should be changed to 334 in the guidebooks.

Chairperson Sylvia Sprinkle-Hamlin reported that the Round Table for Ethnic Minority Concerns and the NCCU School of Library and Information Science jointly sponsored a workshop with the theme "Working Relationships: A Guide to Working More Effectively with Others" on May 2 at the Forsyth County Public Library. Twenty-five participants representing all types of libraries attended. Dr. Ernie Tompkins, Director of the Career Development Center of Winston-Salem was the presenter. REMCO has published a spring newsletter. An increase in the round table's membership has been noted.

Mary McAfee, chair of the Round Table on the Status of Women in Librarianship, announced that the program "Lobbying—How to Get What You Want from Those Who Can Give It to You" will be held at the Forsyth County Public Library on July 31—August 1, 1986. It is also planned that during the NCASL Biennial Work Conference, the round table will present a program with the theme "Everything We Wish We Had Known When We Started Out." The program will be presented twice,—first on October 23 at 4:30 and again on October 24 at 1:45.

Arial Stephens and Howard McGinn reported for the Networking Committee. Thirty libraries have signed up as dial access users of the online catalog which was started up in May. The Union List of Serials will be accessible soon, McGinn informed the board that the Western Union Easy Link Program will be used as the State Library's mail carrier. The State Library will test the electronic bulletin board system during the next twelve months, involving 60 libraries from across the state. The selection of the participating libraries was based on geographical distribution, type of library, and the presence of library staff members who serve on the executive boards of NCLA and the North Carolina Chapter of the Special Libraries Association. Training sessions will be conducted free of charge by Western Union at Meredith College on September 4 and 5. McGinn distributed copies of a fact sheet on the test and sign-up forms. He encouraged the board members to sign up for the sessions.

Commenting on deadlines for Tar Heel Libraries, McGinn advised that notices be submitted three months in advance.

Acting State Librarian Jane Williams reported that the State Library staff has completed preliminary work on its expansion budget requests for new funds for the 1987/88—1988/89 biennium. Requests include additional State Library operating funds, the North Carolina Library Network, the statewide depository system for North Carolina state publications

and additional public library state aid for operations and construction. It is expected that an official announcement will be made soon about the State Library's work with the North Carolina Literacy Association to support a full-time staff and office operation to promote volunteer-based adult literacy programs. Williams noted that the General Assembly again passed a number of special bills giving small appropriations to public libraries. These appropriations will be summarized later in News Flash and Tar Heel Libraries.

William H. Roberts, III, President of the North Carolina Public Library Directors Association, reported that the Association is focusing on plans for a three-day meeting to be held in August. The awards program has been expanded and the effort is being made to collaborate with other state associations. Roberts stated that of 71 systems, 68 have joined the North Carolina Public Library Directors Association. He mentioned that a new Forsyth County branch library will be dedicated on August 10, 1986

President Myrick expressed her gratitude for the work being done. She reminded the board that suggestions for places for 1987 executive board meetings are needed. Indication was given that some board members will confer with President Myrick concerning this need.

The next NCLA Executive Board meeting is scheduled to be held on October 22, 1986 at Forsyth County Public Library in Winston-Salem.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:18 p.m.

Dorothy W. Campbell, Secretary

Williams Appointed State Librarian

Governor James Martin and Secretary of Cultural Resources Patric Dorsey have appointed Jane Williams State Librarian of North Carolina. Williams, a native of Charlotte, N.C., received her B.A. from Pfeiffer College and her M.L.S. from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

She has had extensive experience in academic, governmental, and public library administration, having served as assistant director of the Davidson College Library and assistant director of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Public Library System. In 1980 she joined the State Library as a public library consultant and in 1981 was appointed assistant state librarian. Since November 1985 she has been acting state librarian. Active in national and state professional organizations, Williams has served as an officer of NCLA and is listed in Who's Who of American Women.

Secretary Dorsey has also appointed Howard F. McGinn assistant state librarian. A native of Pennsylvania, McGinn received his B.A. from Villanova University, an M.S.L.S. from Drexel University, and an M.B.A. from Campbell. Since August 1985 he has been coordinator of network development for the State Library of North Carolina. He is a past president of the N.C. Chapter of Special Libraries Association.

Honorary and Life Membership Nominations

The North Carolina Library Association, through its Honorary and Life Membership Committee, is seeking suggestions for nominees for Honorary and Life memberships.

It has been the custom of NCLA to make these two awards based on the following criteria:

1. Honorary memberships may be given to non-librarians who have rendered important services to the library interests of the state.

 Honorary memberships for non-librarians should be given at a time considered appropriate in relation to the contribution made.

3. 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.

Recommendations for nominations should be accompanied by biographical information, including contributions to librarianship.

Recommendations for nominations should be submitted to: Dr. Mell Busbin, Committee Chair, NCLA Honorary and Life Membership Committee, P.O. Box 411, Boone, N.C. 28607, no later than January 31, 1987.