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Jan Blakely
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The new editor of the Oklahoma Librarian is Jan Blakely of the Oklahoma Department of Libraries staff. Appointed during the June meeting of the OLA Executive Board, Jan will serve as editor for the next three years succeeding Karen Weddle.

"I am looking forward to an exciting, challenging and rewarding experience with the Oklahoma Librarian," she commented. "I am hoping to hear from librarians throughout the state concerning the activities of their various libraries and and their work for OLA."

Jan received her B.S. and her M.L.S. from the University of Oklahoma and is currently studying for a Masters in Public Administration there. Her experience in libraries includes work with Allie Beth Martin on A Strategy for Change in Public Libraries, Assistant Librarian at Panhandle State University and a cataloger for ODL. She has been the head of the Administrative Office at ODL since 1976. In this capacity, she oversees the administration of LSCA funds throughout Oklahoma. She also edits the ODL Source.

In accepting her appointment as editor of Oklahoma Librarian, Jan quoted the famous Al Jolson by saying, "You ain't heard nothin' yet, folks."

Andrew Peters
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Andy Peters was not born in Oklahoma, but has lived most of his life here. A graduate of McAlester High School (1969) and the University of Oklahoma (B.A. 1972, M.A.-English 1974, M.L.S. 1977), he currently resides in Norman with his wife, Mary, and son, Christopher. At Central State University Library he is a reference librarian with primary responsibilities in periodicals. On being appointed assistant editor for the Oklahoma Librarian Andy says, "I am looking forward to this opportunity to serve at the core of communications among Oklahoma librarians. Certainly my own depth of experience will benefit. I hope to contribute correspondingly to the fair facilitation of our vital communication processes."
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President’s Message

This is an exciting time in the history of Oklahoma libraries. It is a time to reflect on the past, scrutinize the present, and plan for the future. The planning that is being done now will have a great impact on the destiny of all the libraries in the state.

The Battelle Study sponsored by the Oklahoma Department of Libraries and funded by an LSCA grant is completed and has been widely distributed. It will be a topic of conversation for some time to come. There are those who dislike the study, others who disagree with the recommendations, and some who feel that nothing new has been said. But every study has its critics, and two things have been accomplished: first, the history of the development of Oklahoma libraries has been drawn together; and secondly, the recommendations for the future development of our libraries have been put into a printed form. The study is a place for us to begin; and, in that regard, it has been a worthwhile project.

In addition to the Battelle Study, this was the year of the Governor’s Conference on Libraries and Information Services. The Conference itself reflected the months of planning that was put into it by a group of dedicated librarians who served on the Steering Committee. As a participant, it was a revelation to me to observe a group of citizens grow in their interest and knowledge of libraries in the three short days of the Conference. In meeting with the delegation from my area prior to the Conference, one individual appeared to be bored by the whole thing and could have cared less about libraries and their problems. By the last day of the Conference, this same individual had developed into a zealous and vocal library supporter. Upon returning to Tulsa, he wrote a lengthy letter to the newspapers extolling the merits of libraries. I am sure that many of the other delegates underwent the same transformation. Not only did we obtain many lay advocates; it also gave librarians and citizens an opportunity to plan together. Hopefully, the delegates will return to their communities and transfer some of their enthusiasm to others. As preparations for the White House Conference are being made, this next year is the time to capitalize on that which has already begun to make citizens throughout the state aware of our needs.

You will recall that the theme of this year’s annual OLA Conference was “COMMUNICATE IN ’78”; but it was more than just a conference theme — it was a plan. We should all concentrate in the coming year on communication, and recognize its importance. There should be an exchange of information on three levels, if we are to continue to grow: we must communicate with the people in our communities, with the governing officials controlling the money, and with each other.

The last three years have brought about many positive changes in our state: an increase in state aid, the development of the legislative network, a strong state library, plans for cooperative ventures among all types of libraries and the vast improvement in our library school. All of these accomplishments have been brought about in part by the encouragement and assistance of OLA. I hope you will take an active part in OLA in the coming year and help work toward the improvement of all libraries in Oklahoma.

Communicate in ’78!
Future Directions for the

OKLAHOMA LIBRARIAN:

Results of Readership Survey*

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University of Oklahoma

Background

Of all the species that inhabit library world, perhaps none is so maligned as periodae biblia, or, the library periodical. Indeed, abuse of library-related publications is equal in tradition to discounting one’s training in library science. None other than Leon Carnovsky, patriarch of Library Quarterly, has written that “library literature is so dull!” And after serving a number of years as editor for Library Journal, Eric Moon described the quality of material submitted as a stream of garbage. Alas, poor periodae biblia — abused, maligned, scorned, and unloved.

Against such a backdrop the editor of the Oklahoma Librarian and the editorial advisory board embarked to survey the periodical’s readers as to the strengths and weaknesses of the quarterly — truly an act of courage. Is the Oklahoma Librarian a primary means by which the state library association stays in contact with the membership? If so, the quarterly would provide a mechanism by which the membership could (1) stay abreast of current library-related developments in the state, (2) learn of the activities of other state librarians, and (3) be informed as to the activities of the various component parts of the Oklahoma Library Association.

A second act of courage on the part of the editor of the Oklahoma Librarian is the attempt to develop a set of guidelines and policy statements regarding the purpose, procedures, and policies to govern the periodical. Officially, the Oklahoma Librarian is shrouded in mystery as to its purpose. The By-laws (Article XII Section 1) state that the “official organ” of the Association shall be the Oklahoma Librarian which will be published quarterly and mailed to the membership. Although not explicitly stated, it seems safe to assume that the Oklahoma Librarian is intended to foster the accomplishment of the Association’s basic goal, “to promote all library interests and services in the state of Oklahoma.”

As input to a written policy statement regarding the operation of the journal, a questionnaire was sent to all subscribers as part of the January 1978 issue. The survey was intended to identify areas of strengths and weaknesses in order to make the journal a more effective communication mechanism for Oklahoma librarians. The purpose, then, of this article is to report the findings of the survey, to draw some conclu-

*The author wishes to acknowledge the assistance of the O.U. Library School for providing computer time in support of this project as well as the assistance of Judy Clarke, Research Assistant, for coding the data.

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sions, and to offer some recommendations that may improve the status of periodiae bibliæ oklahomus.

Method

The questionnaire was included in January, 1978 issues as a center page "pull out" with instructions to be completed and returned to this writer in care of the O.U. Library School. Unfortunately, the center page "pullout" technique appears to have been less successful as attention grabbers than similar center-folds in other magazines as only 61 returned questionnaires resulted from the initial mailing.

Because of the limited response, the editor distributed the questionnaires to one of the general sessions of the 1978 OLA annual conference — approximately 350 people. This second attempt resulted in a return of 19 more questionnaires for a total of 80. In short, the response rate appears to be the first indicator as to the status of the Oklahoma Librarian. Of some 870 individual members in the Association a little less than 10% bothered to return the questionnaire. Numerous reasons can be put forward for the response — or lack thereof. Likely as not a combination of (1) the questionnaire's length, (2) not looking at the issue, (3) too many other things to do, and (4) general apathy, contributed to the poor return.

It is interesting to note that compared to the general membership a greater percentage of academic librarians and library educators responded whereas fewer school librarians and public librarians, relatively speaking, responded. Such a finding may be suggestive as to group preferences as well as perceived value of the Oklahoma Librarian.

Nonetheless, the responses were coded for computerized statistical analysis to determine if the sample response represented the entire membership. As figure 1 indicates, the respondents do appear to represent the membership in terms of librarian categories, overall. At the risk of offending puritan statisticians, suffice to say that appropriate statistical checks of reliability and validity coefficients suggest that the sample is both valid (representative of the membership) and reliable (the data is consistent).

Despite positive indicators of reliability and validity, the response rate was small and the integrity of the data should not be overstated. Mark Twain once noted three kinds of lies: lies, damned lies, and statistics. His warning is well-heeded and the following results and conclusions are based on the assumption that the data, generally speaking, are valid and reliable. However, the analysis should be seen as providing only general indicators of readership preferences and satisfaction.

### FIGURE 1

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<th>Librarian Category</th>
<th>% Actual Membership</th>
<th>% Respondents</th>
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<tr>
<td>Academic</td>
<td>24%</td>
<td>31%</td>
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<td>Public</td>
<td>40%</td>
<td>34%</td>
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<td>School</td>
<td>24%</td>
<td>19%</td>
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<td>Special</td>
<td>1%</td>
<td>2%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Library Educators</td>
<td>1%</td>
<td>5%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Other</td>
<td>10%</td>
<td>11%</td>
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### Results

The most expeditious means of reporting the results of the survey appears to be via a tabular presentation of the findings. Therefore, the findings will be reported in numerical order corresponding to the questionnaire. Whenever possible a tabular format will be made to reduce the verbosity of the report.

### Background Information

Information pertaining to the background of the respondents was obtained in order to have a composite picture of the "typical" Oklahoma Librarian reader. Figure 2 describes the jobtype of respondents. Figure 3 their educational background, and Figure 4 summarizes the respondents' reading of other professional library periodicals.

### FIGURE 2

<table>
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<th>Jobtype</th>
<th>% of Respondents</th>
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<tr>
<td>Administrative</td>
<td>41%</td>
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<td>Public Services</td>
<td>16%</td>
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<td>Library Educator</td>
<td>17%</td>
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<td>Technical Services</td>
<td>12%</td>
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<td>Library Trustee</td>
<td>2%</td>
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<td>Other</td>
<td>12%</td>
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### FIGURE 3

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<th>Educational Level</th>
<th>% of Respondents</th>
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<td>High School Diploma</td>
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<td>Bachelor's</td>
<td>23%</td>
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<td>MLS</td>
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<td>Subject Masters Only</td>
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<td>MLS and Subject Masters</td>
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<td>Doctorate</td>
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As Figure 2 suggests, a large percentage of respondents classified their primary jobtype as administrative. This finding is due in part to two
explanations. First, a number of libraries in the state are small in size with only one or two librarians; thus, by default, a number of librarians are administrators. Second, the higher response rate from administrators also suggests that in general, administrators may be a primary audience of the Oklahoma Librarian.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Number of Journals</th>
<th>% of Respondents with Subscriptions to Journals</th>
<th>% of Respondents who Regularly Scan Journals</th>
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<tr>
<td>None</td>
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<td>2</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>4%</td>
<td>9%</td>
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<td>6</td>
<td>3%</td>
<td>5%</td>
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<td>7 or more</td>
<td>15%</td>
<td>29%</td>
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As further explanation to Figure 4, subscriptions to the Oklahoma Librarian were not included in the count. Therefore, 20% of the respondents subscribe ONLY to the Oklahoma Librarian. Subscriptions to professional literature by Oklahoma librarians appears to be very similar to that found by other studies. This study suggests that the "typical" respondent subscribes to two journals (including the Oklahoma Librarian); similarly, academic librarians in the Northeast typically subscribe to two journals as well. The primary difference is that of the two journals typically subscribed to by the academic librarians in the Northeast, the subscription did not include the publication of the state library association. It is interesting to note that for 20% of the respondents, their only subscription to professional library literature is to the Oklahoma Librarian.

Additionally, the questionnaire collected information as to the journals chosen by respondents for subscription. The most likely subscription was to American Libraries, closely followed by Library Journal with SWLA Newsletter the third likely choice. After these first three a broad spectrum of titles were listed defying any generalized summary except that librarians generally subscribed to (1) journals that accompany an organizational or association membership and (2) topical journals reflecting personal interest.

Overview of Oklahoma Librarian

The second part of the questionnaire collected information specifically about the respondent's general evaluation of the Oklahoma Librarian as of January, 1978. Figure 5 summarizes respondents' overall comments regarding the publication in terms of frequency read, satisfaction, value, appropriateness of theme issues, illustrations, and typesize.

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<th>1. Frequency Oklahoma Librarian is Read. Average = 4.4</th>
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<td>1. Never 2. Infreq. 3. some times 4X freqly 5. Always</td>
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<td>1. Unsatisfied 2. somewhat satisfied 3. satisfied 4. satisfied 5. satisfied</td>
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<td>1. too few 2. right 3. many</td>
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<td>1. too small 2. right 3. large</td>
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The overview of the Oklahoma Librarian by respondents suggests that the publication is read on a frequent basis (at least by those who returned the questionnaire). They appear to be somewhat satisfied with its content but generally find the material to be of limited value for them in terms of aiding them at their library or for their specific job. Respondents appear to believe that theme issues (one issue devoted to one specific topic) would be appropriate for the Oklahoma Librarian, that the typeset is about right but that more illustrations and photographs are desired.

Features and Articles

The third portion of the questionnaire collected information as to the readers’ preferences for various types of “features” or specific formats of library-related information. As a means of determining features to be included in future issues both those that have appeared in the journal as well as those that have not been utilized as of this writing were evaluated by respondents. The scale of evaluation ranged from one, or “no value,” to five, or “very valuable.” Figure 6 summarizes the respondents’ evaluation of the various types of journal features in rank order of preference.

Except for the top four or five rated features the basic response to these features appears to vary between tweedle-dee and tweedle-dum. Interestingly, the highest rated feature is a calendar of events which received additional support in the comments sections of the questionnaire. A number of respondents suggested a regular feature that provided capsule summaries of both future events of interest to Oklahoma librarians as well as summaries of recent library-related events in Oklahoma and the region.

The desire for features of current information about ourselves and our libraries is strongly suggested by the high ranking of “profiles of Oklahoma librarians and libraries.” Such a feature would not be difficult to institute and would help us to know who’s who, and who’s doing what in the state.

Also noteworthy is the relatively high value placed on letters to the editor. However, a recent conversation with the editor suggested that she has not, in fact, been overwhelmed with letters. Indeed, all the letters to the editor in the last year could be counted on one hand! Nonetheless, this is a good example of the need for input from the members of the Oklahoma Library Association — and letters to the editor could become an excellent forum for the exchange of opinions and ideas about librarianship in Oklahoma.

Of little surprise is the lower ranking ascribed to the various formal proceedings of the association — treasurer’s reports, committee reports, minutes of the executive board, etc. However, the vast majority of features currently in use in the Oklahoma Librarian are ranked around the 3.0 - 3.5 range. This range can be described as “of some value,” which translates into a more meaningful term such as “ho-hum!”

**FIGURE 6**

SUMMARY OF FEATURE PREFERENCES

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<th>Rank</th>
<th>Feature</th>
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The last section of results has to do with the respondents’ preferences for article types. Respondents were asked to ascribe a priority to four generic types of articles in terms of selection criteria for articles to be published in the journal. As Figure 7 suggests, articles that reviewed current issues affecting Oklahoma librarianship and articles of “How-I-do-it-good” received the highest ranking. Scholarly articles were least preferred as a priority to be published.

**FIGURE 7**

PREFERENCE FOR ARTICLE TYPES

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The preferences for article types is another indication of the pragmatic outlook of the respondents. Similar to their perceived value of various features (see Figure 6), the message appears to be one of wanting features and articles that will be of assistance to the practicing librarian “out-in-the-trenches.” This result, when matched to the respondents’ evaluation of the Oklahoma Librarian’s value for their library/position suggests an editorial stance of accenting current topics with pragmatic implications for how librarians can improve both their personal performance as well as to improve the performance of their library.

Conclusions

Inescapably, the Oklahoma Librarian represents the generic animal known as periodae biblia. As such, it will receive some scorn and abuse simply because it is a library periodical and, therefore, deserving of such abuse. Indeed, every library-related periodical has the same cross to bear. Some do it better or worse than others, but the problems confronting editorial policy and content for the Oklahoma Librarian may be more complex than for other state library association periodicals.

One pattern that emerges when examining the results of the survey is the levelling effect, that is, most of the averages tend to center around “some value,” “no opinion,” and “somewhat satisfied.” Despite these non-committal and ho-hum averages many respondents provided sharply pointed answers on the extremes of the continuum. A pessimist might choose to see such results as a general indication of apathy, however, another conclusion is possible.

The make up of members in the Oklahoma Library Association is incredibly diverse. Not only are they diverse in terms of academic, public, school, special, jr. college, library trustee, etc., but also in terms of being in small one-two person rural libraries as opposed to large complex library organizations. The diversity is also apparent in terms of educational background as well as their diverse community environments. In short, there is no such thing as the “typical” Oklahoma Librarian reader.

Thus, the journal is left with the unenviable task of trying to please all of the various interest groups all of the time. Because of the diverse needs and interest of the respondents, the average scores are “levelled” — one sharp opinion is moderated by the second opinion at the other end of the spectrum. Based on this consideration, the Oklahoma Librarian’s content must be of interest to many different types of librarians over a broad span of situations.

Impossible? No. Based on the results of this survey as well as personal comments from the membership, the journal can increase its visibility as well as its usefulness by incorporating the following suggestions:

1. Provide greater emphasis on current issues and topics that affect all Oklahoma Librarians such as fund raising, federal grants, public relations, organization of materials, etc.

2. Articles and features should be pragmatically oriented to suggest how something can be actually done, that is, how to organize a friends of the library, how to use specific budgeting techniques, basic minimum reference works, or new useful reference material for specific subjects, etc.

3. Accent human interest stories about people in Oklahoma libraries and the innovative projects they are currently developing.

4. Begin a number of short regular columns that address a specific target audience in the readership either in terms of (1) type of libraries, (2) types of services, or (3) types of materials.

5. Use more illustrations, charts, and photographs with the various features and articles.

6. Present “hot topics” as theme issues with viewpoints from a number of Oklahoma Librarians expressing opinions and comments as to the topic’s current state of the art in Oklahoma as well as recommendations for the future. Possible topics include cooperation in Oklahoma, analysis of the recent Battelle study of libraries in Oklahoma, etc.

7. Reduce or remove entirely the “archival” information about the association such as executive board minutes, treasurer’s reports, etc. Such information might better appear in an annual report issued by the executive secretary.

8. Encourage the publication of controversial or opinionated articles and features as a means of obtaining more feedback from the readers. While these suggestions will not secure that the Oklahoma Librarian will please all of the people all of the time they may help to please more of the readers some of the time.

Recommendations

At the risk of sounding trite, it should be remembered that “a profession gets, obviously, only the press it can produce and, directly and indirectly support.” Similarly, the publication of the Oklahoma State Library Association’s journal will be as good as the membership want it. After all, the journal’s content is almost entirely composed of the writings of the membership. To complain that no letters to the editor appear is more an evaluation of the membership than it is one of the journal itself.

Thus, the suggestions for improving the specific content of the journal are all well and fine.
and might put more “Shazam!” as Gomer Pyle would say — into the publication, but broader recommendations affecting the organization, policy, and procedures of the Oklahoma Librarian may also be of assistance in terms of better integrating the journal into the Oklahoma library community as a dynamic communication and information mechanism.

Therefore, the third and final act of courage surrounding this readership survey will be throwing all caution to the winds and making what this writer believes is important recommendations for additional attention and study. Hopefully, these recommendations will serve as an impetus for improving the journal and providing some guidelines as to future directions for the Oklahoma Librarian.

1. The editor, with the assistance and advice of the editorial advisory board, should produce a written statement of specific objectives for the Oklahoma Librarian. Furthermore, policies and procedures regarding the content and operation of the publication should be formally prescribed and approved by the Executive Board of the Oklahoma Library Association.

2. The editor should receive a substantial honorarium for assuming the responsibilities associated with the publication of the Oklahoma Librarian. An outstanding and dynamic journal must be supported by both membership input as well as by financial assistance to the editor. The large amounts of time that must be spent on editorial chores should be rewarded by the Association. A number of state library associations currently provide such an honorarium as well as financial support for clerical assistance. Such an honorarium serves as a reward for service as well as means to attract qualified individuals to serve in the position.

3. An assistant editor should be appointed to help the editor fulfill the myriad responsibilities associated with the position. The editor and assistant editor should serve two-year staggered appointments such that the first year is served as assistant editor and the second year is served as editor. Thus, every year an assistant editor would be appointed. This procedure would limit the editorial chores to a two-year stint, provide continuity and training for the editors, and reduce the tremendous workload currently delegated to the editor only.

4. A feasibility study should be undertaken for the cooperative publication of the Oklahoma Librarian between the Oklahoma Library Association and the Oklahoma Department of Libraries. A number of excellent state publications such as Illinois Libraries utilize such an approach with resounding success. Such a cooperative effort will serve to better integrate the state library into Oklahoma librarianship, provide additional support to the publication, and provide for a single state publication directed to Oklahoma Librarians.

5. The editor of the Oklahoma Librarian must take an active role in contributing to the writings appearing in the journal as well as identifying and encouraging selected members to contribute to the journal. There is a great amount of librarian know-how and expertise in the state of Oklahoma that needs only to be tapped for inclusion in the journal. We must all learn to share our knowledge and experiences with each other via the Oklahoma Librarian.

6. To promote the appearance of quality articles in the Oklahoma Librarian, an annual award with honorarium should be given to the “best” article submitted during the previous year. The award would be presented by the awards committee and would encourage Oklahoma librarians to put their thoughts on paper and submit them to the journal for possible publication.

Despite the above suggestions and recommendations, the quality of the state library association’s journal ultimately rests with the membership. What do you want from your state publication? What are you willing to contribute to the effectiveness of the journal? What suggestions do you have to improve the publication? After all, even library periodicals need a little love and affection from time to time. Periodae biblia oklahomus is no exception; a little membership support and financial loving will go a long way toward making this species an important and dynamic force in the Oklahoma library world.

NOTES


The OKLAHOMA LIBRARIAN wishes to thank those members who responded to the Readership Survey. Your interest and assistance are appreciated.
Library budgets that are increasingly tight, necessitating hard decisions as to which subscriptions must be discontinued and how the overall funding that is available should be expended to achieve the greatest benefit, seem to be a continuing fact of life for most librarians nowadays. At the same time, however, one witnesses a proliferation in the world’s published literature, the rapidly expanding capability to provide additional and improved library services through application of the latest technological developments, and the increasing demand of library users for rapid access to the latest information on a myriad of subjects. The interaction of these factors has in recent years resulted in the acute realization that even the largest libraries must increasingly rely upon sources of information and new technologies that are available outside their own walls.

The Oklahoma Department of Libraries has assumed a leadership role in Oklahoma to enhance interlibrary cooperation through the creation in June of 1977 of a Network Advisory Council. The roots of NAC’s creation embrace the assumption that the combined library and information resources in Oklahoma and those throughout the other forty-nine states comprise a total resource which should be strengthened, organized, and made available to the maximum degree possible in the public interest. This view, which is reflected in the proposed “National Program” of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science (NCLIS), also includes the idea that all people have the right, according to their individual needs, to realistic and convenient access to this national informational resource for their personal enrichment and achievement and for the progress of society. Implicit in this latter view is the assumption that the latest technology, if adequately funded and applied, can create an integrated, nationwide network from the multitude of disparate and discrete library entities which exist. Indeed, one has only to reflect upon the extent to which many of us in the last few years have come to depend upon OCLC, the AMIGOS Bibliographic Council, and since 1968 upon OTIS, to name only a few of the more obvious examples, to realize how far we have already come along the road of increased cooperation and resource sharing.

The ODL charge to the NAC is rather broad-based and includes the following areas of responsibility:

A. To advise the Oklahoma Department of Libraries on development of and policy matters arising in administration and implementation of networking activities in Oklahoma and the evaluation of such activities;

B. To advise on the incorporation of these activities in the Basic State Plan, the Long Range Plan, the Annual Program, and the Oklahoma Department of Libraries budget request;

C. To analyze the findings of the Statewide Needs Assessment Study as it relates to interlibrary cooperation and networking and to recommend a state wide multi-type interlibrary network endorsed by library and trustee organizations, the Oklahoma Department of Libraries, the Board of Regents for Higher Education, and the Oklahoma Department of Education;

D. To insure that planning and project implementation for networking in Oklahoma is done within the context of the work of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science;

E. To propose, identify, and analyze programs or projects for the sharing of resources at all levels, including the AMIGOS Bibliographic Council, the Southwestern Library Interstate Cooperative Endeavor, and the National Program for Libraries and Information Services for their implications to planning in Oklahoma; and

F. To specifically identify, plan, and assist the Department of Libraries in implementing programs that are most likely to achieve efficient and effective resource sharing.

The first two meetings of the Network Advisory Council, held in September and October of last year, concerned a proposal to create an online union catalog of monographic holdings for the Oklahoma Department of Libraries, the Tulsa City-County Library System, and the Metropolitan Library System. The Council recommended that LSCA funding be provided to convert retrospective monographic records to a machine-readable form which could be input to the OCLC data base. This process, which is now under
way, will result not only in improved access to and sharing of materials between ODL and the two major public library systems, it will provide other libraries utilizing OCLC with on-line access to the same holdings records.

The several meetings of the NAC which have been held since December have focused largely on organizational matters. It was apparent from the outset that it would be very difficult, if not impossible, for the Council to function effectively as an advisory body on “networking” if there were not a common frame of reference upon which to base discussions and recommendations. A perusal of the professional literature revealed no substantial agreement concerning a definition of the term “network”; while there are elements in common in the existing published definitions, there are about as many dissimilarities. In order to provide a common basis for deliberation, therefore, one of the Council meetings concerned itself with the development of a working definition of the term. A consensus was reached among the members, and the following definition has been adopted:

A group of libraries of various types participating in a formal agreement and interconnected by communications links which are used for sharing of resources and information; thereby providing better service than can be provided by a single library.

Another product of Council deliberation has been the development of by-laws which include a high priority upon a membership that will reflect the views and interests of all types of libraries, librarians, and library associations in Oklahoma. The Council consists of 15 voting members whose terms of service are two years, on a rotating basis, with 7 members initially holding two-year terms and 8 persons holding one-year terms. The current membership, their terms, and the libraries which they represent are included below:

ONE-YEAR TERM
(Expires May 1979)

Carolyn Beson, AMOCO Production Company, Tulsa
Ruth Blake, Tulsa City-County Library
Betsy Bowers, East Central State University Library
Betty Fry, Clinton High School Library
Mary Hardin, Oklahoma Department of Libraries
Jim Healey, University of Oklahoma Library School (Chairperson)
Jim Welsh, Metropolitan Library System
(1 additional person to be elected by September 1978)

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Marilyn Vent, University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center Library
(3 additional persons to be elected by September 1978 to represent a private, 4-year college library, a rural public library not affiliated with a regional system, and a private university library)

Vacancies are to be filled by Council action with consideration for the type of library and area represented by the outgoing members, with the OTIS resource centers each having permanent representation. Regular meetings are to be held at ODL every other month on the second Monday of the month from September through May.

All meetings of the Council are open to interested persons and voting on all substantive matters is on the basis of a roll call vote for the public record. A special provision in the bylaws makes it possible to appoint ad hoc committees which may include non-Council members whose expertise is deemed necessary to assist in deliberations toward a particular end.

The substantive work of the Council has awaited the Report of the Statewide Needs Assessment Study conducted by the Battelle Laboratories, Columbus, Ohio, and the results of the Oklahoma Governor's Conference on Libraries and Information Services, held at Oklahoma City's Lincoln Plaza, April 30-May 2. Battelle's Preliminary Report, which was the only one available at this writing, and the results of the Governor's Conference were considered by the Council at its May meeting. A decision was made to analyze the numerous recommendations included in the report to determine whether they should be accepted and implemented, not implemented, or implemented with certain mod-

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**Allie Beth Martin Scholarship Award**

The Tulsa Library Trust is now accepting applications from residents of Oklahoma for the Allie Beth Martin Scholarship Award.

**PURPOSE:** In order to encourage people to advance their careers in librarianship, the Allie Beth Martin Scholarship Fund, administered by the Tulsa Library Trust, is designed to provide financial assistance to residents of Oklahoma who wish to attend a post high school educational institution to further their education in library science or improve their library skills.

**SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION:** The Allie Beth Martin Scholarship Fund gives grants which do not require repayment. The amount of the grant in any one academic year is based upon the monies available and/or the needs of the applicant or applicants. Scholarships may be used to help meet educational costs including tuition, books, seminar registration fees, and any related expenses. The recipient of the award is not necessarily required to continue in library work, but it is hoped he or she will.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Any person, living in Oklahoma, who wishes to further his education in the field of library science, and can show financial need, may apply for a grant. Individuals who have received an Allie Beth Martin Scholarship award previously are not barred from applying again.

**PROCEDURE:** Applicants must notify the Personnel Officer of the Tulsa City-County Library by letter stating the course of study to be pursued, the educational institution to be attended, and the need for financial assistance. Applicants must be willing to give full, detailed information on their financial resources if needed. All information will be treated confidentially. All applications must be received by November 1 for the second semester. Upon receipt of all applications, the Personnel Officer will consult with the Director of the Library System as to the merits of the applicants and of their applications. An interview with the applicant may be scheduled.

**AWARDING THE GRANT:** The recipient or recipients of the scholarship grant will be notified by the Tulsa Library Trust no later than December 15. A check in the amount stated will be sent to the recipient upon notification to the Tulsa Library Trust of his or her enrollment in the educational institution he or she has stated.

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ilications. It is anticipated that this task may occupy most of the Council’s time during the coming year.

The substantive work of the Council is at last under way. The members are fully aware that the effectiveness of their work and its ultimate value to the state depend upon publicizing the activities of the Council and in providing opportunities for broad-based grass roots input to its deliberations. Accordingly, a task force was appointed at the May meeting to focus special attention on this matter during the summer. The group will report its recommendations to the Council in September.

Two other task forces were appointed at the May meeting. One of these groups will investigate the means of document delivery which are now in use in Oklahoma as well as alternative methods, including relative costs, benefits and disadvantages. The other group will consider the future of the Oklahoma Union List of Serials, including the possibility of expanding the number of libraries participating in the project and the input of the information to the OCLC data base. The recommendations of the task force on the Union List will be presented to the Council in August, while the task force on document delivery will present its recommendations in September.

In the last analysis, the extent to which the Council is successful in enhancing interlibrary cooperation in Oklahoma will probably depend upon several key factors: (1) the ability not only to take into account but to reconcile successfully the various barriers to cooperation which are, in varying degrees, present in all libraries; (2) the capacity to understand the needs and special interests of the various types of libraries and to develop a plan which is flexible enough to take these into account; and (3) securing the voluntary participation of librarians in a statewide plan based upon a demonstration that there are far more benefits to be gained than disadvantages to be endured for each library as well as for the total library community.

As the work of ODL’s Network Advisory Council progresses, the members will undoubtedly benefit from states such as Colorado and Wisconsin which have already formalized their plans to extend interlibrary cooperation. Librarians and other interested persons are encouraged to become involved in the process by contacting members to discuss their comments and suggestions. The Council members share a commitment to reflect fairly the interests and needs of all types of libraries and librarians in the work which is now under way. The road to be traveled is not clearly charted; it will be periodically complex and frustrating, but the prospects which lie ahead should more than justify the time and efforts of all of us who are involved.
Sequoyah Award Winner:

Clyde Robert Bulla

Dr. Carolyn Croft*

Clyde Robert Bulla received the twentieth Sequoyah Children's Book Award for his book, SHOESHINE GIRL. The award is given annually to an author by the Oklahoma girls and boys in grades 3-6.

Biographical Sketch

"Clyde Robert Bulla grew up on a farm near a very small town," King City, Missouri. Most farm children have to work hard to help their families, and so did Clyde. Schooling had to be squeezed in between chores, when there was time. Clyde went to a one-room schoolhouse where his older sister was the teacher; he finished high school by correspondence course.

But his meager schooling, rather than turning him away from learning, had the opposite effect. Clyde devoured books; he listened to music and stories on the radio. He began to think up his own stories. And he began to write. Writing is hard and lonely work. It is hard to find someone who wants to publish what you've written. But Clyde did. An editor liked his stories about real people. His first book, THE DONKEY CART, was published in 1946, and it marked the beginning of a writing career that has now produced over forty books, ranging in subject matter from history to fantasy, Bible stories to opera. And children love them all.

Writing stories has won Clyde Robert Bulla many honors and pleasures over the years. Among these was the request he received to write a story for blind children. The result was THE MOON SINGER, a story full of music for children who could not see. Later, the story was set to music and performed in a young people's performance by the Philadelphia Orchestra.

Mr. Bulla often travels to the setting of his stories — to Ireland, to Finland — but usually he lives on a quiet street in Southern California close enough to busy Los Angeles to be in touch with people — for it is people that enrich his work." His most recent books are BEAST OF LOR and KEEP RUNNING. ALLEN.

Acceptance Speech

Mr. Bulla was invited to come to the Sequoyah Luncheon to accept his award but previous travel commitments in the South Pacific prevented his attendance. His editor, Marilyn Kriney, received the award in his behalf. Mr. Bulla's acceptance speech follows.

"Thank you for this award. Since it comes from the boys and girls, it has a special meaning to me. This meaning is made even more special by the fact that the award comes from Oklahoma.

I was born in Missouri, one of four children. My aunt and uncle settled in Oklahoma, and four children were born to them there. As soon as we cousins could write,

*Dr. Croft is an associate professor at Oklahoma State University and is immediate past Chairperson of the Sequoyah Committee.
we began writing letters to one another. This was our parents' idea. They hoped the correspondence would not only keep us in touch, but help us learn to express ourselves in writing.

Some of my first literary attempts must have been letters to my cousins. I can’t recall what I wrote, but I remember the letters they wrote me. They told about life in Oklahoma, and their letters awakened my interest in far places — because Oklahoma was a far place in those days. I dreamed of visiting my cousins and seeing farms where cotton and broomcorn were raised. I longed to look up at a real oil derrick and to see Indians and perhaps talk with them.

I never visited my cousins, but years ago, on a trip with friends, I drove through Oklahoma. The fields and farms and cities were as beautiful as I had pictured them, the people were as friendly. I wish I could be there now, and some day I hope to come back. Meanwhile, I am happy to know that my books are there.

A question I am often asked is: “Of the books you have written, which do you like best?” My answer is that I couldn’t single out one as a favorite. But if I were asked to choose a favorite character from my books, it might well be Sarah Ida, the heroine of SHOESHINE GIRL.

My first glimpse of her came when I saw a girl in a shoeshine stand in a city not far from my home in California. She was small and silent and rather defiant-looking. She eyed me suspiciously when I climbed into the chair and asked for a shoeshine. I must have been her first customer. The shoeshine man told her, “I’ll shine one shoe. You watch everything I do, and then you shine the other one.”

She was slow. She dropped the brushes on the sidewalk. She spilled the water she was using. It was all deadly serious with her. The man seemed equally serious. Not once did he smile at her. I sensed a tension between them.

She haunted me. A few days later I went back, but she was gone. When I asked about her, the man said, “That girl? I don’t know where she went,” and that was all the answer he would give me.

I never saw her again, but she was much in my mind. One day I realized she was becoming a character in a story. I had been asking myself questions about her, with my imagination filling in the answers. I knew where she had come from, why she had gone to work in the shoeshine stand. I knew how she talked, what her thoughts and feelings were. I even knew her name. It was Sarah Ida. It had to be Sarah Ida.

When the story was finished and I had sent it out, I was as anxious as some parents are when they send a child off to school for the first time. I was fond of Sarah Ida, but would others like her? Would they understand and accept her?

She was defiant and rebellious, she insisted on being herself, and there was nothing I could do to change her. I hope you have liked her in spite of her thorny disposition. Somehow I think you have, and I feel you have given her understanding and acceptance, as well. For this I thank you — the girls and boys and librarians of Oklahoma.”

Bibliography

James R. Wilkerson

This is the text of the speech given at the Distinguished Service Award presentation during OLA’s annual conference on Friday, March 31. It was written by Frances Kennedy, Past President and former Executive Secretary, and delivered by Irma Tomberlin.

“Presentation of Awards” was listed on last night’s program; but it was decided to save the best for the last. And so tonight is Awards night — the time when we present the DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD to one of our members.

The DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD was established by the OLA constitution of 1950 to recognize those men and women whose contribution to our profession cannot be measured or even adequately described — those who give greatly of themselves. It is the highest honor which can come to an Oklahoma librarian. It is a most coveted award, and is not presented every year — only at those times when the members of the association deem that one of their associates should be publicly acknowledged for service, leadership, and unusual contributions to Oklahoma libraries and to the profession of lib-
arianship. A minimum of 5 years of such service must precede the recognition, but in reality the length of service is usually much longer. It should be remembered that the award is not given for longevity, or for doing well what one is paid to do in one's position.

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The librarian we honor tonight has earned his place on the list of DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD recipients who have preceded him.

He was born in a town of two words, whose name is so unusual that his identity would be immediately revealed if we told you now. And he went to high school in a town whose name should have been an accurate forecast of his later profession. Even as a teenager he was a man of letters — a three year letter man in football, basketball, and baseball. But he was already revealing leadership qualities. He served as vice president of his sophomore class, president of the junior class, and was elected all around junior boy.

Oklahoma City University was his choice of colleges, and he received his BA degree there in 1962. But again it wasn’t all work and no play. He spent many hours courting the young lady who became his wife in 1958. It may seem strange that he did not work in the college library. So many young librarians begin their career there. He vows that he applied to be a student assistant, but that the old lady librarian, with flat heels and glasses, turned him down. The old lady librarian denies this — she denies even being old at the time she says she was — and she has no recollection that he ever applied! She is convinced that if he had applied, she would have recognized his potential and employed him at once.

What many of you, his friends, may not know, is that his first profession was as a Methodist minister, even during his college days. But he soon decided that he could also serve people as a librarian, and minister to their many needs through the printed word. So he shifted gears, and became a member of the Oklahoma State Library staff for two years, before becoming librarian of the Moore Public Library from 1964 to 1968. It was in 1968 that he received his MLS from the OU School of Library Science, and rejoined the renamed Oklahoma Department of Libraries as institutional consultant for one year. In this position he became thoroughly familiar with Oklahoma’s correctional institutions, and he has led an exemplary life ever since!

Then the Muskogee Public Library called him, and he is still there. He was an ardent worker for the establishment of the Eastern Oklahoma District Library following a six county demonstration begun in August 1970. Muskogee’s new library building was completed in 1972.

But all of the preceding is an account of what he was paid to do, and it is not for this that he is receiving the award tonight.

In the Oklahoma Library Association he has been chairman of the Public Library Division, Chairman of the Recruitment Committee, Secretary of OLA, First Vice President and then President of the Association for the year 1975-1976. Since 1974 he has worked faithfully as Circulation Manager of the OKLAHOMA LIBRARIAN, certainly an unsung task.

Last year he was chairman of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee, and hammered out, through ice, sleet, rain, chug holes, and hunger, the new constitution and bylaws of the Association. He would be the first to say it is not a perfect document. But it represents hours of work on the part of the committee and its chairman.

If there is an irksome task to do for the good of the association, this librarian is always ready to tackle it — not only tackle, but complete it. He is often responsible for much of the behind the scenes work which makes for a smoothly operating association. One has to have worked with him to realize how much this librarian has done for OLA.
Tonight's honoree has also been active in SWLA — as a member of the Executive Board in 1975-1976; member, and then vice chairman of the SLICE COUNCIL in 1977-1978. He is a member of ALA, and has been active in the Library Administration Division. By now you know who the honoree is, and I can tell you that he has a son, Mark, now a freshman at OSU, and a daughter, Beth, a junior in high school in Muskogee. His wife, whom he courted at OCU, is an elementary school teacher in Muskogee. He has kept his interest in sports alive through Mark, who was a football star in high school.

His hobbies, in addition to his family, are reading, model building, and the latest — string and wire art.

And now I can tell you that Cloud Chief was the place of his birth, and Carnegie where he attended high school. Most appropriate, wasn't it?

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Summer vacation for most of us is a time to relax and gather ideas for "next year." Next year is the object of several summer activities for the O.A.S.L.M.S. members.


Chairperson-elect Ann Henderson, and Susan Babbit from O.A.E.C.T. are working with their joint committee planning for the O.E.A. convention in Tulsa on October 12 and 13, 1978. Plan to attend both days of the convention. On Thursday O.A.S.L.M.S. is planning a model elementary media-center in the mini-clinic program for the entire O.E.A. membership. Your help will be needed in encouraging teachers and administrators from your district to visit the Model Media Center to make it a success.

This project is the direct result of the hard work of the O.L.A. and O.A.S.L.M.S. legislative committees during the past year. The diligent and persistent efforts of Anne Rounds, Charlie Lou Rouse, Barbara Duffy, Edith La Force and many other members and legislators resulted in the appropriation of $300,000 for school library media programs by the state legislature. Thanks to all of you for your support. We will need as much this year as you provided last year to insure quality library media programs in Oklahoma schools. $300,000 is just a beginning.

The Friday morning program meeting at O.E.A. will be a joint effort of O.A.S.L.M.S. and O.A.E.C.T. Tentative plans are for a program on practical ways to promote media programs to students, teachers, administrators and parents.

Many thanks Charlie Lou Rouse for your leadership and guidance in the past year. I am looking forward to further help this year.

If you have wished to be a more active member of O.A.S.L.M.S. and would be willing to serve on a committee notify any officer. We need you. Officers are Linda Cowen, Norman, Chairperson; Ann Henderson, Stigler, Chairperson-elect; Peggy Givens, Watonga, Secretary; Carla Jordan Evans, Stillwater, Treasurer; Sylvia
C. E. Materials Fair

Because of the past success and growing interest, the joint meeting of SELA/SWLA will include a Continuing Education Materials Fair. Pat Dorsett and Sandy Ellison from the CELS Advisory Group along with Nancy Doyle Bolt for SELA will co-ordinate the Fair in New Orleans during the October 6-8, 1978 Joint Conference.

The C. E. Materials Fair will be held on Friday, October 6 from 12:00 noon to 4 p.m. If your library or library association has something to share from workshops, in service training, adult education programs, literacy programs, adult independent learners programs, or projects, please bring it to New Orleans. We are asking each library or library association to have a person stay with the materials to explain why they were created, how they were used, results and future plans. The diversity of approaches including audio tapes, video cassettes, instructional packages, modules, etc., should be of assistance in planning future Continuing Education activities. The C. E. Materials Fair is held in an informal setting to encourage the sharing of ideas, methods, and techniques. We know a lot is happening in C. E. in our region and this will

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Literary Notes

Judith Ann Walden

Dr. John W. Morris has documented Oklahoma history with early day photographs and a selected bibliography in Ghost Towns of Oklahoma, University of Oklahoma Press, 1977. The 130 ghost towns which are described in this volume are interestingly presented, giving names of people who lived there and where that community fitted into the history of Oklahoma. It is not only a must for the library but also for personal use when traveling around the State.

Glenn Shirley has recently published a new work on outlawry in Oklahoma called West of Hell's Fringe; Crime, Criminals and the Federal Peace Officer in Oklahoma Territory, 1889-1907, University of Oklahoma Press, 1978 ($14.95). This work, after much additional research, replaces Shirley's earlier work published in 1955 called Six-Gun and Silver Star. Illustrated with maps and photographs, it will help to dispel some of the myths and romanticism that television and western writers have helped to create.

An interesting bit of Prague history is Czech-Town, U.S.A. "Kolache-Ville", Hooper Printing, 1977 ($6.00). Published by the author, Melva Brown, the work is based on interviews of some of the older residents. It is illustrated with photographs and may be of interest to local history collections and genealogists.

Albert S. Gilles, Sr. recalls his experience shortly after the turn of the century, when his father had a trading post in "Comanche Country" in Oklahoma in Comanche Days, SMU Press, 1974 ($6.95). The author is strongly sympathetic toward the Indian's difficulties in adjusting to changes occurring as their land was in the process of becoming the white man's land.

Also for those interested in Oklahoma Indians is Jack F. and Anna G. Kilpatrick's 1977 reprint of Run Toward the Nightland; Magic of the Oklahoma Cherokees, SMU Press ($6.95). This work divulges secrets of Indian witchcraft and a wide variety of magical incantations.
give us all an opportunity to see these C. E. materials first hand and be able to talk to the planners and producers of some great C. E. experiences.

If your library is interested in participating, please contact Sandra Ellison (SWLA), Chairperson, Oklahoma Department of Libraries, 200 N.E. 18th Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105 (405-521-2502).

Membership News
Mary Ann Williams
Membership Committee, Chairperson

At the First General Session at the 1978 OLA Conference, the Association voted to change the membership year to July through June. During the transition, members will need to pay dues for an eighteen-month period instead of the normal year. Therefore, the Membership Committee has established two payment plans. Plan I allows a member to pay for January-June, 1979 in January, 1979, at half of the current rate. Then the dues for July, 1979 through June, 1980 are payable in July, 1979, at the current yearly rate. Plan II allows a member to pay for January, 1979 through June, 1980 in one payment at 1½ times the current rate in January, 1979.

You will receive membership blanks in the fall outlining these plans.

Ramblin’
with the Editor

Sul Lee has been named Director of the University Libraries for O.U., replacing James K. Zink who resigned in November. Lee has been Dean of Library Services and Professor of Library Science at Indiana State University. He received a B.A. degree from Bowling Green State University, an M.A. from the University of Toledo, and an M.A. from the University of Michigan. James B. Alsip will continue as interim Director until Lee assumes the post in August.

Jim Wilkerson, formerly Director of the Eastern Oklahoma District Library, is now Director of the Arkansas Valley Regional Library Services System in Pueblo, Colorado.

Ken Tracy, Humanities Librarian at Edmon Law Library, O.S.U., and immediate past Secretary of OLA, has received a fellowship from Columbia University and will be taking a one-year leave of absence to complete his Ph.D. in Library Science.

Marvin Guillfoyle, formerly U.S. Documents Librarian for Bizzell Memorial Library, O.U., is Assistant Director for Public Services at the John Vaughn Learning Resources Center, Northeastern Oklahoma State University in Tahlequah.

Dr. David Eyman, Director at N.E.O.S.U.’s John Vaughn Library/Learning Resources Center, will be leaving Oklahoma in August to become the Director of Libraries at Juniata College in Huntington, PA (16652).

Dr. Kay Parker Fagin has been selected as the new Director for the Oklahoma Image project. A recipient of the Ph.D. in Anthropology from the University of Oklahoma, she has served as a regional humanist for the project during its planning stage. "I am looking forward to an exciting two years of work with Oklahoma librarians and scholars under Oklahoma Image. With such a high caliber of people involved in the project, I have no doubt that we will produce high quality programs and materials," said Dr. Fagin. Official announcement of funding of the National Endowment for the Humanities is expected in October.

Delegates elected to represent Oklahoma at the White House Conference on Library and Information Services in the fall of 1979 are Pat Chambers, Chickasha; Leonard Eddy, Moore; Helen Holmes, Guthrie; Dale Miller, Altus; Charlie Lou Rouse, Stillwater; Nancy Walker, Elk City; Marvin Williamson, Oklahoma City; and Barbara Winder and Pat Woodrum, Tulsa.

Donna E. Rhein has been appointed Executive Director of SWLA effective May 25, 1978. A graduate of the University of Cincinnati with an M.L.S. from Drexel University of Philadelphia, she has served as a reference and subject librarian at the Orlando (FL) Public Library, Head Librarian of the Circulation Processing Division at Yale University Library, and Director of Old Lyme (CT) Library.

The Library Personnel Interchange has been established "to share human and information resources among all types of libraries." The Interchange provides a way for library staff at any level to switch jobs for varying lengths of time in order to observe new practices, compare techniques, and generally broaden horizons. Any library professional or support staff member who has been in his/her present position for at least six months may participate. For more information contact John Hinkle, CE Coordinator, Oklahoma Department of Libraries, 200 N.E. 18th, Oklahoma City 73105 (405-521-2502). For opportunities on the national level, contact Sandy Cooper, Association of State Library Agencies,ALA, 50 East Huron Street, Chicago, IL 60611 (312-944-6780).

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MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

The Executive Board Meetings of The Oklahoma Library Association are OPEN MEETINGS. All members are invited and encouraged to attend. Meetings are held on the third Friday of each month. For time and place of meeting contact the Executive Secretary.

Date: February 23, 1978
Place: Oklahoma Department of Libraries, Oklahoma City
Present: James Alsip, Lee Brawner, Robert Clark, Aarone Corwin, Alfreda Hanna, Jean Harrington, Ted Rodarm. Anne Rounds, Roscoe Rouse, Ken Tracy
Absent: Jan Keene, Karen Weddle, Pat Woodrum
Guests: Frances Kennedy, Mary Hardin

CALL TO ORDER
President Rounds called the meeting to order at 10:09 a.m.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 16, 1977 MEETING
It was called to the Secretary's attention that the name of the organization is the Oklahoma Library Association, not the Oklahoma Department of Libraries as printed in the heading for the minutes. The Secretary claimed sabotage of the minutes. There were no additional changes, and Alfreda Hanna moved, seconded by Jean Harrington, the minutes be approved as corrected. The motion passed.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER
In the absence of the Treasurer, written reports were distributed for both January and February. A balance of $6,633.96 was shown on the February report.

REPORT OF THE EDITOR OF THE OKLAHOMA LIBRARIAN
There was no formal report, but it was announced that the Editorial Board is now functioning. Karen Weddle has resigned as Editor effective at the end of the summer.

REPORT OF THE FEDERAL RELATIONS COORDINATOR
Esther Mae Henke sent a report that the main concern of the ALA Washington Office is the Ford amendment to HEA Title II A and President Carter's budget. The Ford amendment would double the amount of funds available under Title II A, while Carter has recommended no funding for HEA Title II A, B, C, or Title VI A. Only twenty grants will be funded under HEA Title II C this year. The Washington Office needs information concerning needs, especially of urban libraries and the HEA Titles which were not funded under the Carter budget.

Robert Clark reported that April 4 is National Legislative Day and ALA has asked for information on needs and use of LSCA and HEA Title II A funds for use in their lobbying efforts.

REPORT OF THE ALA COUNCILOR
Roscoe Rouse distributed an extensive written report.

REPORT FROM THE OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARIES
Robert Clark reported that Governor Boren's budget includes $50,000 for state aid and funds to improve the Archives and Records Division. The House Appropriations Committee added $100,000 to make a total of $11c per capita. Full funding of $300,000 will be asked for by the ODL Director. Bills of interest include a "Publications Clearinghouse Bill" which will require the deposit of twenty-five copies of state publications in ODL for distribution to state libraries and will also unify all current laws having to do with state publications. There is also a bill to require state surveyors to deposit surveyors in ODL.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
Aarone Corwin reported 741 members for 1978 compared with 682 for 1977 at the same time. A written report of the SWLA Executive Board Meeting was distributed to OLA Board members. Forty-nine percent of the election ballots have been returned. ALA is considering the establishment of a chapter relations office. A general discussion of matters relating to the office of the Executive Secretary resulted in the following actions:

Lee Brawner moved to authorize funds to pay for a mailing to SWLA members promoting Bob Clark as SWLA president. Alfreda Hanna seconded, and the motion passed.

Alfreda Hanna moved, seconded by Roscoe Rouse, that fifty copies of the most recent years of the Oklahoma Librarian, and twenty-five copies of other years be kept on file for possible sale as replacement copies. All copies in excess of these numbers should be advertised in the Oklahoma Librarian for free distribution to OLA members and any remainder be offered for sale to others. Any issues not thus claimed may be destroyed. The motion passed.

Roscoe Rouse moved, seconded by Robert Clark, to authorize the Executive Secretary to establish an office in the Del City Branch Library and pay any necessary expenses of providing for a phone. The motion passed.

Lee Brawner moved that a committee be established to look into the problem of the Executive Secretary's salary and make a recommendation to the Board, Alfreda Hanna seconded, and the motion passed.

REPORT OF THE PROGRAM COMMITTEE
There was no report, but the Executive Secretary
announced that a registration fee of $17.50 for nonmembers, $10.00 for members, and $3.00 for students had been approved by a telephone vote of the Board.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
March 14 is Legislative Day and participation is needed.

REPORT OF THE AWARDS COMMITTEE
Frances Kennedy presented the report of the committee which will remain secret until the awards presentation at the Conference. Robert Clark moved, seconded by Alfreda Hanna, the report be approved. The motion passed.

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK COMMITTEE
There will be no honorary chairperson this year. It was suggested that a statewide service organization such as the Jaycees be asked to be "chairman" next year.

REPORT OF THE CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS COMMITTEE
The problem of the difference between the fiscal year and the membership year was presented again for the Board's consideration. After considerable discussion Lee Brawner moved to ask the Constitution and By-Laws Committee to suggest revisions in the Constitution and By-Laws to reflect a change in the membership year to a July 1 - June 30 basis, and to accomplish same we should seek dues at the present dues rate for an eighteen month period to cover January 1, 1979 -- June 30, 1980. Alfreda Hanna seconded, and the motion passed.

Robert Clark moved that the Constitution and By-Laws Committee be asked to draft revisions in the Constitution and By-Laws to change the beginning of the officers' terms of service from the close of the Annual Conference to the beginning of the fiscal year (July 1). James Alsip seconded, and the motion passed.

REPORT OF THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY
Ted Rodarm presented a report on the possible formation of local friends of the library groups in Oklahoma and also a statewide organization made up of representatives from the local groups. President Rounds was asked to appoint an ad hoc committee to study ways to implement the organization of such groups. The committee should try to get some material together prior to the Governor's Conference.

REPORT OF TELEPHONE VOTES
OLA support for the SWLA job hotline was given approval by telephone vote, as was the proposed registration fees for the Annual Conference.

ADJOURNMENT
The meeting adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

DATE: March 17, 1978
Place: Tulsa City-County Library
Present: Lee Brawner, Aarone Corwin, Alfreda Hanna, Jan Keene, Ted Rodarm, Anne Rounds, Roscoe Rouse, Ken Tracy, Pat Woodrum

Absent: James Alsip, Robert Clark, Jean Harrington, Karen Weddle

CALL TO ORDER
President Rounds called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 23, 1978 MEETING
Pat Woodrum moved, seconded by Roscoe Rouse, the minutes be approved as amended. The motion passed.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER
Jan Keene distributed a report which gave a current balance of $11,933.01. Excluding the $4,981.75 of the total which represents conference registration fees, this balance is about $3,000 more than was shown at the same time last year.

REPORT OF THE ALA COUNCILOR
No report was submitted.

REPORT OF THE EDITOR OF THE OKLAHOMA LIBRARIAN
No report was submitted, but suggestions were requested for a possible replacement for Karen Weddle as Editor.

REPORT OF THE FEDERAL RELATIONS COORDINATOR
No report was submitted. Anne Rounds passed on a request from Alice Fite of ALA to support ESCA Title IV B with a separate section which would fund school library programs rather than combining that section with one relating to school counselors.

REPORT FROM THE OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARIES
No report was submitted. President Rounds said that the plans for the Governor's Conference are going well, despite the fact that former Rep. Carl Albert and Sen. Henry Bellmon will be unable to attend. Norman Cousins is confirmed as a keynote speaker, and tickets will be available for non-delegates to some events.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
Aarone Corwin reported 833 members at the present date. The recent election had a sixty-three percent return of ballots, which was very good. The Executive Secretary is now in her new office at the following address:

Dal City Branch Library
4509 SE 15th
Dal City, OK 73115
Phone: (405) 672-2580

REPORT OF THE PROGRAM COMMITTEE
Pat Woodrum reported that over forty exhibitors are already committed for the conference and ten more are possible. The budget was planned with forty exhibitors expected. Materials for the registration packets were presented, and Pat Woodrum moved, seconded by Ted Rodarm, that they be approved. The motion passed.

REPORT ON LEGISLATIVE DAY
Aarone Corwin reported seventy-seven librarians participated in Legislative Day, and that proclamations were accepted in both Houses of the Legislature.

OLD BUSINESS
Ted Rodarm distributed a written report giving additional details concerning the formation of Friends of the Libraries groups in Oklahoma. A task force will gather additional information prior to the Annual Conference.
Lee Brawner reported the Task Force on the Executive Secretary's Salary has held discussions by phone, but has not met pending projections of association finances. Nonetheless, the committee recommended, and Lee Brawner moved, an increase in salary of the present Executive Secretary from $200 to $250 per month, retroactive to January 1, 1978. Roscoe Rouse seconded the motion. During discussion, it was pointed out that this was perhaps the intention of the last Board when a replacement was hired for Frances Kennedy, although documentation has not been located concerning this. Alfreda Hanna stated this was the intention, but the last Board did not want to obligate the Association until it was known how much income would be received during the next year. The question was called and the motion passed. The Task Force will continue to study the problem and make more definitive recommendations at a later time.

NEW BUSINESS

It was announced that the SWLA job hotline will not be implemented. President Rounds suggested that the outgoing Executive Board meet during April after the Annual Conference and draft goals for the Association based upon the recommendations contained in the committee reports from the Conference. The Board considered the idea a good one, but suggested care should be taken to avoid restricting the activities of the new officers.

Roscoe Rouse passed out a brochure describing the use of on-line data bases in the Oklahoma State University Library, and announced that OSU will probably be named a regional depository for government documents.

Ann Rounds passed out an information sheet on the Governor's Conference, and announced that the mailing in support of Bob Clark for SWLA President will be a letter from the Association on official stationary.

Alfreda Hanna suggested naming Mrs. David Boren as Honorary Chairperson of National Library Week because of her increasing support of libraries in the Oklahoma area.

Lee Brawner suggested that the Library Development Committee send a general questionnaire regarding library legislation to all candidates for state office. Information should also be given to the candidates on a person basis explaining library related matters. It was agreed that this should be done.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:53 a.m.

Date: March 30, 1978
Place: Sheraton Inn-Skyline East, Tulsa
Present: James Alsip, Lee Brawner, Robert Clark, Aaron Corwin, Alfreda Hanna, Jan Keene, Ted Rodarm, Anne Rounds, Roscoe Rouse, Ken Tracy, Pat Woodrum, Karen Weddle
Absent: Jean Harrington
Guests: Tom Ballard, Esther Mae Henke, Marilyn Vesely

CALL TO ORDER

President Rounds called the meeting to order at 12:18 p.m.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 17, 1978 MEETING

Lee Brawner moved, seconded by Jim Alsip, the minutes of the previous meeting be approved. The motion passed.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

No report was submitted.

REPORT OF THE EDITOR OF THE OKLAHOMA LIBRARIAN

Karen Weddle reported the next issue of the Oklahoma Librarian will be late because of changes suggested by the Editorial Board and the printing schedule of the Norman Transcript. All reports are requested by May 15 in order to be included in the summer issue. A special issue will be published in the future emphasizing libraries and the handicapped.

REPORT OF THE FEDERAL RELATIONS COORDINATOR

Esther Mae Henke reported that President Carter's budget was not as good for libraries as had been hoped. No funding was requested for several HEA titles and LSCA Title II. However, the White House Conference on Libraries and Information Services was funded.

REPORT FROM THE OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARIES

Robert Clark announced that all ODL related bills had passed both the House and the Senate. $577,000 in state aid was approved. A contract was presented which would grant $16,000-$22,000 to OLA in exchange for the Association's providing services related to the Governor's Conference on Libraries. Robert Clark moved the contract be approved. Pat Woodrum seconded and the motion passed.

REPORT OF THE ALA COUNCILOR

No report was submitted.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Aaron Corwin reported a total of 876 members compared with 806 at the same time last year. The ALA membership will be renewed.

REPORT OF THE PROGRAM COMMITTEE

No report was submitted.

REPORT OF THE SITES COMMITTEE

Jim Alsip moved to accept the report of the Sites Committee as prepared for distribution to the membership of the Conference. Alfreda Hanna seconded, and the motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

Ted Rodarm reported he had contacted "friends" groups in other states for organizational information. The trustees attending the Annual Conference will be surveyed concerning their willingness to serve on a local "friends" group. Delegates at the Governor's Conference will also be asked to assist in the formation of such a group in Oklahoma.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:44 p.m.

Date: May 19, 1978
Place: Tulsa City-County Library
Present: Aaron Corwin, Alfreda Hanna, Jan Harrington, Jan Keene, Ted Rodarm, Anne Rounds, Ken Tracy, Karen Weddle, Pat Woodrum
Absent: James Alsip, Lee Brawner, Robert Clark, Roscoe Rouse
Guests: James Beavers, Barbara Eskridge, Betty Gatchell, Barbara Spietersbach, Nan Sturdivant, Marilyn Vesely

CALL TO ORDER

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President Rounds called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 30, 1978 MEETING
Ted Rodarm moved, seconded by Jean Harrington, the minutes be approved as distributed.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER
Jan Keene distributed a report showing a checking account balance of $7,681.35 as of May 15, 1978. In addition, $5,040.07 is available in the OLA savings account. Over $1,100.00 was cleared from the Annual Conference.

REPORT OF THE EDITOR OF THE OKLAHOMA LIBRARIAN
Karen Weddle reported she often has requests to exchange the OL for newsletters of other state library associations. She asked the Board what action she should take concerning such requests. The consensus of the Board was that no exchanges should take place, rather the Editor should respond to each request with OL subscription information. The Editor reported on changes in format of the OL and gave credit to the Editorial Board for their suggestions. The Editorial Board is still finalizing policies and procedures. In the future, the year end Treasurer's report will appear in the October rather than the July issue in order to coincide with the change in the OLA fiscal year. The next issue of the OL will contain a report on the Governor's Conference.

REPORT OF THE ALA COUNCILOR
No report was submitted.

REPORT OF THE FEDERAL RELATIONS COORDINATOR
Esther Mae Henke sent a report on the status of legislation currently before Congress. Librarians are asked to contact members of the Full House Appropriations Committee and the Senate Labor-HEW Appropriations Subcommittee to urge adequate funding for the program they are interested in most directly. (LSCA increases still do not exceed $60 million to help urban libraries and HEA II-A funding will not be sufficient to fund the full $5,000 basic grant for college libraries). Tom Steed is a member of the House Committee on Appropriations. Oklahoma does not have a representative on the Senate Subcommittee but Henry Bellmon is on the full committee.

REPORT FROM THE OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARIES
No report was submitted. Anne Rounds said OLA had received a note of thanks from the Governor's Conference Steering Committee for helping with the Conference.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
Aarone Cowlin reported a total of 920 members (887 personal) at the present date. A group travel plan was presented, but as there was no real savings beyond what one could make by using advanced reservations, it was decided not to promote the plan. The final draft of the OLA Handbook was circulated for comments and suggestions. The Handbook should be available in time for the Leadership Workshop in June. The Executive Secretary asked that Library Development Committee responsibilities be added to the job description for her office. (Please see attached listing of duties.)

REPORT OF THE CONTINUING EDUCATION COMMITTEE
Nan Sturdivant was present to hear comments and suggestions from the Board concerning a manual to be used by divisions, round tables, and committees in the planning and development of workshops. The manual was written by the Continuing Education Committee as part of its charge to assist in the planning of all continuing education activities of the Association. A few changes will be made in the manual, and it will be available at the Leadership Workshop for use by the new OLA officers.

REPORT FROM THE SEQUOYAH COMMITTEE
A brief report was given by Anne Rounds which explained the Sequoyah Committee's plans to seek funding from the Kerr Foundation to help support the efforts of the Committee.

OLD BUSINESS
It was reported that the Recruitment Committee recorded parts of the Governor's Conference on video tape.

Ted Rodarm reported on the activities of the Friends of the Library group. A Steering Committee has been formed and has met twice since March. The Committee is refining procedures to be used for the organization effort. Questionnaires were distributed at the Governor's Conference, and at least one hundred people have indicated an interest in the organization. No report was received from the Task Force on the Executive Secretary's Salary.

NEW BUSINESS
President Rounds said she hoped that goals could be established for the 1978-1979 OLA Year. To help with the development of such goals, she will compile the recommendations from the reports given by the division, round table, and committee chairpersons at the recent Annual Conference. These will be available prior to the Leadership Workshop.

Several applications have been received for the soon to be vacant position of Editor of the Oklahoma Librarian. The position will be filled by appointment by the President. After considerable discussion concerning the position, Alfreda Hanna moved the President appoint an Editor and also an Acting Associate Editor, and that the Executive Board recommend to the Constitution and By-Laws Committee the changes be made in the Constitution and By-Laws to make the position permanent. Pat Woodrum seconded, and the motion passed. During discussion on the motion, it was pointed out that the intent of the action was to provide an experienced person to move into the position of Editor when needed; however, the Constitution and By-Laws Committee should consider the question of whether such promotion should be automatic.

ADJOURNMENT
The meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Executive Secretary
Job Description
Addenda

Library Development Committee Responsibilities:
Serves as coordinator of the committee by:
A. Coordinating the legislative network.
B. Activating the network upon the word of the chairperson of the committee.
C. Attending the monthly meetings of the committee.
D. Maintaining the files of the committee.
E. Keeping the membership informed of committee activities.
F. Acting as liaison to the publicity committee.
G. Serving as a consultant.
H. Notifying federal legislators when action needs to be taken on national matters.
I. Maintains historical files of legislator responses (includes clippings, surveys, legislative day responses).

Kenneth Tracy
Secretary
Minutes of the 71st Annual Conference

OKLAHOMA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

March 30-April 1, 1978, Tulsa

FIRST GENERAL SESSION
March 30, 1978

CALL TO ORDER

President Rounds called the First General Session to order at 1:35 p.m.

INTRODUCTION OF EXHIBITORS

President Rounds introduced Bob Mottar, Chairperson of the Exhibits Committee, and thanked him and all the exhibitors for their efforts in making the Conference a success. Mr. Mottar then introduced representatives of each of the exhibitors and reported forty-seven spaces had been sold with a net income to the Association of approximately $3000.00.

ADOPTION OF CONFERENCE RULES

Anne Hoyt, chairperson of the Resolutions Committee announced the procedures for submitting resolutions to the Committee. Elsie Bell moved, seconded by Heather Lloyd, the Conference Rules be approved as distributed. The motion passed.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE 70th ANNUAL CONFERENCE

President Rounds asked for additions or corrections to the Minutes of the 70th Annual Conference as they were printed in the Oklahoma Librarian. There being none, she declared the Minutes approved.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Jan Keene presented a report which indicated a balance of $11,933.01. A full reporting of income and expenditures will appear in the Oklahoma Librarian.

REPORT OF THE EDITOR OF THE OKLAHOMA LIBRARIAN

Karen Weddle told the membership that her report was an on-going one, consisting, in part, of the issues of the Oklahoma Librarian which the members receive quarterly. The newly formed Editorial Board is working and has put down in writing, staff duties, policies, and procedures. A questionnaire designed to solicit input from members concerning the content and format of the Librarian has been distributed to the membership. The Board has also reviewed material submitted for publication in the January and April issues and recommended changes and additions, as well as topics for future issues. In conclusion, the Editor thanked the Editorial Board for their work and the membership for their cooperation during her term as Editor. She announced that she will be resigning after the July issue.

REPORT OF THE ALA COUNCILOR

Roscoe Rouse reviewed the controversy surrounding the ALA film, "The Speaker." The film was the subject of extensive debate, both at the ALA Annual Conference in Detroit and Midwinter Meeting in Chicago. The debate has received national coverage on network television and will be the subject of a report on the program "60 Minutes." While there may have been some grandstanding by some Councilors for the benefit of television, the division in the Association is real and deep, and at one time threatened to break the Association apart.

In other business at the Midwinter Meeting, the Library Education Division was dissolved effective January 31, 1978 and a new Standing Committee on Library Education (SCOLE) was created. The Association of State Library Agencies and the Health and Rehabilitative Library Services Division were voted to be merged effective September 1, 1978, and a single division formed under the name, The Association of Specialized and Cooperative Library Agencies (ASCLA).

Additional details of ALA activities will appear in the ALA Councilor's Report which will be printed in the Oklahoma Librarian.

REPORT OF THE FEDERAL RELATIONS COORDINATOR

Esther Mae Henke gave a review of current legislation before Congress. Of particular concern this year for librarians and trustees is funding for college library and training programs and the Library Services and Construction Act. The membership was encouraged to write their Representatives and Senators about the programs.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Aarone Corwin announced a membership goal of 1000 for 1978 with a total of 876 already reached. Division and Round Table Chairpersons were reminded to have all materials ready for the new officers in the near future. The next OLA Conference will be held in Oklahoma City on March 22-24, 1979. The Leadership Workshop will be held on June 16, 1978 at a site to be announced later. Suggestions for the improvement of the Association are always welcome.
COMMITTEE REPORTS

All committee reports were approved as distributed with no changes or additions. In addition, Elizabeth Guis moved, seconded by Roberta Kauskay, the changes in the "Constitution and By-Laws" be approved as distributed prior to the Conference and included in the Constitution and By-Laws Committee Report. The motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:28 p.m.

SECOND GENERAL SESSION
March 30, 1978

The second general session was a dinner meeting with Anne Rounds presiding. After the invocation, given by Reverend Gene Augustine, welcoming remarks were offered by Ken McCharen, chairman of the Tulsa City-County Library Commission. The keynote speaker for the evening was Charles Kuralt, news correspondent for CBS. Mr. Kuralt related his experiences "On the Road," and gave his ideas concerning the continuing vitality and importance of the print medium in a modern age.

THIRD GENERAL SESSION
March 31, 1978

The third general session of the Conference was held following a noon luncheon on Friday. Reverend Charles Webb offered the invocation. John Anderson addressed the Conference on behalf of the Southwestern Library Association, James Hailey reported on the status of the Oklahoma University Library School, and Mary Beth Ozmun informed the Association of a proposal to the National Endowment for the Humanities on "Oklahoma Image." An update on the Governor's Conference on Libraries and Information Services was presented by H. Wayne Morgan, Dee Ann Ray, and Robert Clark.

FOURTH GENERAL SESSION
April 1, 1978

CALL TO ORDER

Anne Rounds called the meeting to order at 9:36 a.m.

REPORT OF THE PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Pat Woodrum introduced members of the program committee and thanked them for their work during the past year.

REPORT OF THE LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS COMMITTEE

Richard Parker reported a total registration of 673, including 100 exhibitors and 55 complimentary registrations.

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Anne Hoyt presented the following resolutions which received action as noted:

WHEREAS the Local Arrangements Committee for the 1978 OLA Conference has worked tirelessly to make this OLA Conference outstanding, and

WHEREAS this Committee's efforts ordinarily go unnoticed,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Oklahoma Library Association in annual conference April 1, 1978 that they be commended and thanked for their contributions to Oklahoma librarianship.

Anne Hoyt moved the resolution be adopted. Jim Wilkerson seconded, and the motion passed.

WHEREAS throughout the years the exhibitors at the annual conference of the Oklahoma Library Association have given their unqualified support to the Association, and

WHEREAS the Association is appreciative of the exhibitors' contributions, both professionally and socially,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Association expresses its thanks to the exhibitors for their continuing contributions to the success of the annual conference of the Association.

Mary Ann Wentworth moved, seconded by Marilyn Vesely, the resolution be approved. The motion carried.

WHEREAS Oklahoma school libraries/media centers are below standard in resources, and

WHEREAS Oklahoma school libraries/media centers are not supported as they should be, and

WHEREAS Don Johnson of Pawnee proposed an amendment to Senate Bill 454 to provide $700,000 for certified school media personnel in school libraries/media centers in the state,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Oklahoma Library Association at its annual conference on April 1, 1978, that Mr. Johnson be commended and that a copy of this document be sent to him.

The motion to adopt was made by Lee Graham, seconded by Edith La Forge. The motion passed.

WHEREAS Oklahoma school library/media centers have been for many years below standards in resources, personnel, and funding, and

WHEREAS the State Department of Education in the Library and Learning Resources Division has provided for professional leadership and resources for school library/media centers in Oklahoma,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Oklahoma Library Association at its annual meeting, April 1, 1978, commend the Oklahoma State Department of Education for its continued interest and support for school library/media centers.

Edith La Forge moved the adoption of the resolution. Linda Cowen seconded, and the motion passed.

WHEREAS Bob Clark was appointed Director of the Oklahoma Department of Libraries at a period of unrest, and
WHEREAS his guidance and co-ordination of efforts placed O.D.L. in the center of library leadership in the state,
BE IT RESOLVED by the membership of O.L.A. at its annual conference on April 1, 1978, that Mr. Clark be commended.

Jim Stevenson moved to approve the resolution, seconded by Lee Browner. The motion passed.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Jim Wilkerson submitted the results of the 1978 election of officers for the Association. A copy of the report is attached to these minutes. Anne Round introduced the new officers of the Association and its division and round tables.

OLD BUSINESS
There was no old business to consider.

NEW BUSINESS
There was no new business to consider.

PROGRAM
Pat Woodrum introduced the speaker Jay Cronley, columnist for the Tulsa Tribune and author of Fall Guy. Mr. Cronley spoke on the topic “Humor Makes the Message Magic.”

ADJOURNMENT
The meeting adjourned at 10:29 a.m.

Committee, Division and Roundtable Reports 1977-1978

ARCHIVES COMMITTEE
Chairperson: Karen Stanton File
Other Personnel:
REPORT:
This year the committee is taping as many of the Convention proceedings as possible so that the membership will have an oral record of the excellent speakers. We hope this will become a continuing tradition.
A reminder to association officers, please forward copies of information on workshops and their important items to the O.L.A. Archives at the Oklahoma Department of Libraries.

RECOMMENDED OBJECTIVES FOR THE 1978-79 YEAR:
The committee should draw up guidelines identifying material important to the Archives and then begin a vigorous campaign to assure that this material is gathered each year. There remains a continuing need for an inventory and cataloguing of existing material.

AUDITING COMMITTEE
Chairperson: James B. Alisp
Other Personnel: Betty Guinn, Verlene Delaney, Stephen Skidmore
REPORT:
The Audit Committee met for its annual meeting on August 10, 1977 at the University of Tulsa Library. Purpose of the meeting was to examine the financial records of the Association in order that the treasurer, Josh Stromang, could relinquish the books to the incoming treasurer, Jan Keene. All aspects of the general working account were verified. This included such items as the active ledger, receipts, cancelled checks, and statements. In addition, the Past President’s Fund, along with the Special Gaylord/SIRS records, was examined.

Every thing was found to be acceptable and in excellent order. Josh was given permission to transfer the records and the accounts to Jan Keene.

AUTOMATION ROUNDTABLE
Chairperson: James B. Alisp
Other Personnel: Norman Nelson, Vice-Chairperson, Harriett Hobbs, Secretary
REPORT:
At the 1977 OLA annual convention, the Automation Roundtable, in conjunction with the Technical Services division, sponsored a program at which the Director of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science delivered an address. Mr. Al Trezza delivered a speech in which he discussed the agency’s role in the future of libraries throughout the United States. An estimated 125 people attended this presentation.
After some planning between the officers of the Automation Roundtable and the College and University division, a workshop co-sponsored by both groups was arranged and was held on November 20 at Oklahoma Baptist University. The subject of the workshop was Library Security. Over thirty (30) people registered and attended the day long event. They had an opportunity to examine several electronic library book security systems, as well as, to listen to a debate between Dr. Guy Logsdon, University of Tulsa, and Ms. Mary Esther Saxon of the University of Oklahoma. The topic of their debate was the merits of an open versus a closed access library.
After subsequent discussion, it was decided that the Automation Roundtable and the College and University division would once again cosponsor an event, this would be the formal program at the 21st Annual Conference in March 78. It was decided to invite Ms. Carolyn M. Cox, Assistant to the Director of the AMIGOS Bibliographic Council, to develop and present
a program. Subject of her formal presentation is to be "On line Reference Service: State of the Art."

AWARDS COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Frances Kennedy
Other Personnel: Carolyn Price
Fern Crispin
Frances Alsorth
Elizabeth Gels

REPORT:
The Committee recommended that the Distinguished Service Award be given this year to a librarian who must remain unnamed at the time of this report. The Executive Board approved the nominee by a unanimous vote at its meeting on March 10th. The award will be presented by the Chairperson of the Awards Committee during the 1978 annual conference, at the dinner meeting on March 30, 1978. The name of the person honored will be attached to this report before it is printed in the OKLAHOMA LIBRARIAN.

RECOMMENDED OBJECTIVES FOR THE 1978-79 YEAR:
It is recommended that the award, Distinguished Service Award, be continued in its present pattern, and given only to an Individual who has really served the profession, and the association. It should be remembered that it is never given for doing well the job for which one receives a salary, or for longevity! The fact that the DSA is not necessarily an annual award enhances its prestige. This committee should review any and/or all projected awards, as it has in the past.

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Anne Rounds
Other Personnel: Pat Woodrum, Jan Keene, Josh Stromer, Leonard Eddy, Mary Sherman, Aaron Conwin

REPORT:
The Budget Committee met twice during the 1977-78 Association year. The first meeting was held on May 13, 1977. At this meeting the Committee made the following recommendations:

1) That the Association should continue its affiliations with the American Library Association ($50), the Southwestern Library Association ($24), Freedom to Read ($25) and SLICE. Also, a $200 contribution to the ALA Washington Office would be made.

2) That OLA should assume the following expenses:
   — for the ALA Annual and Midwinter Conferences, expenses for the President, the ALA Councillor and the Executive Secretary.
   — for SWLA Conferences, expenses for the President and the Executive Secretary.
   — for the OLA Conference, expenses for the Executive Secretary.

3) That all workshops for the ensuing year must be self-supporting. A pre-registration deadline should be set for each workshop and if expenses are not covered by that time the workshop should be cancelled.

4) That the program, membership and fiscal years run simultaneously from July 1 through June 30. New officers would assume their elected positions on July 1 with the interim time between the OLA Conference and July 1 used as a training and planning period.

5) That the Publications Committee be asked to investigate increasing advertising costs for the OKLAHOMA LIBRARIAN. A new format for the Membership Directory should be utilized to save money.

6) That the Program Committee be asked to charge member and non-member registration fees for the Conference.

7) That budget planning and request forms be prepared and included in the packets for the Leadership Conference to assist committee, division and roundtable chairpersons in planning for the year. September 30 was set as the deadline for all budget requests.

8) That the Membership Committee be urged to solicit more institutional memberships.

All of these recommendations have been implemented.
The second meeting of the Committee was held on October 10, 1977. Budget requests from committees, divisions and roundtables were considered and the budget for the new fiscal year was developed. Recommendations made at this meeting were:

1) That a "Policy Sheet" be developed for the Association. This sheet would be kept current and would be included in the OLA Handbook.

2) That an expense form be prepared to be used by Association officers for whom expenses to conferences are paid.

3) That a procedure be implemented for reporting all 1977-78 expenses by June, 1978 whether or not invoices are available by that time so that funds may be encumbered. This would allow a clear picture of the financial status of the Association at the beginning of the new fiscal year.

Implementation of these recommendations should be accomplished by June, 1978.

In addition to the above meetings, Anne Rounds, Jan Keene and Aaron Conwin met on December 1, 1977 to study the budget and consider a change in format for the Treasurer's Report and, consequently, a change in the method used in entering income and expenses in the ledger. Budget categories were established and a separate account is now maintained for each.

RECOMMENDED OBJECTIVES FOR THE 1978-79 YEAR:

1. The Committee should project anticipated income and expenses through 1980 and prepare a new dues schedule for consideration by the Executive Board and the Constitution and Bylaws Committee.

2. An Ad Hoc Committee has been appointed to consider a much needed increase in the Executive Secretary's salary and to consider additional possible benefits which might be offered the Executive Secretary. (Members: Lee Brawner, Jim Alsip, Frances Kennedy) The Budget Committee should assist in this study.

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CHILDREN'S AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S DIVISION

Chairperson: Sharon A. Saulmon
Other Personnel: Janet Gallaway, Vice President; Marilyn Young, Secretary

REPORT:
The officers met once during the year to establish what might be accomplished. Plans were made to have workshops on reading and storytelling. Due to scheduling difficulties and general lack of interest by the contacted members, these were not planned.

A nominations committee was appointed with Lenore Beard as chairperson to prepare this year's slate of officers.

The chair appointed Mary K. Huffman as a member to the newly created advisory council of the Sequoyah Board Award Committee to represent the Children's and Young People's Division.

The Executive Board prepared a draft of the division's description for the OLA Handbook.

This year's conference program was jointly sponsored by the Intellectual Freedom Committee and the Social Responsibilities Roundtable. The Division is setting up a display of children's and young adult's books that have been censored.

RECOMMENDED OBJECTIVES FOR THE 1978-79 YEAR:
Survey the members to see if interested in actively participating in the division and what they would be willing to participate in and do.
Publish a column in the President's Newsletter about activities around the state.

COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY DIVISION

Chairperson: David H. Eyman
Other Personnel: Chairperson-elect: Darryl Morrison; Secretary, Anita Evans

REPORT:
The College and University Division of the Oklahoma Library Association co-sponsored a workshop with the Automation Roundtable on Library Security at Oklahoma Baptist University on November 30, 1977. This workshop, attended by thirty-three people, considered the question of security from two points of view: Unrestricted vs. restricted access to facilities and electronic book theft detection systems. The morning session featured two speakers: Dr. Guy Logsdon, from the University of Tulsa, spoke on restricted access to libraries, citing the experience of the University of Tulsa before and after restricted access to the facilities. Ms. Mary Esther Saxon, from the University of Oklahoma, spoke on the concept of unrestricted access to library materials. Both presentations were well-received. The afternoon session involved a presentation of the 3M and Checkpoint security systems followed by a question-and-answer period for representatives for each company.

For the 1978 O.L.A. Conference the Division and the Automation Roundtable will co-sponsor a program about on-line reference services. Carolyn M. Cox, Assistant to the Director of the Amigos Bibliographic Council, will examine existing and anticipated data bases in this "state-of-the-art."

RECOMMENDED OBJECTIVES FOR THE 1978-79 YEAR:
1. Present a workshop on some aspect of academic library operations which will pique the interest of a wide number of Oklahoma librarians.
2. Investigate the advantages and disadvantages of affiliating with the Association of College and Research Libraries of the American Library Association.

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Ruth Anne Brown
Other Personnel: Sara Jane Bell, Valeria Turnell, Jim Stevenson, Jim Wilkerson, Frances Kennedy, Frances Alsworth, Vickie Phillips, Elizabeth Gels, Mary Hardin, Josh Stroman

REPORT:
This year the Constitution and Bylaws Committee was given the task of revising the Oklahoma Library Association Handbook. Along with this task several suggestions were made concerning the newly revised Constitution: namely combining the fiscal, membership and officer years into one date (July 1) rather than the three dates which presently stand. This constitutional recommendation was presented to a vote of the Executive Board and is now a consideration of the membership at large to be voted upon at the Annual Conference.

As to the revision of the OLA Handbook, this has proved to be an extremely slow task. The Committee felt we should take our time rather than hurry the project through, in order to insure a workable handbook that would be of great benefit to the entire leadership of OLA.

As of this time, the revision is still in the working stage with a first draft hopeful by July 1, 1978.

RECOMMENDED OBJECTIVES FOR THE 1978-79 YEAR:
2. Continued updating and revision of the OLA Constitution and Bylaws.

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS OR RESOLUTIONS:
In order to complete the Handbook revisions this total committee, or at least a partial group of this committee, should be carried over to allow continuity in what has been accomplished to date.

CONTINUING EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Nan Sturdivant
Other Personnel: James Beavers, Rilla Cobb, Annette Cock Duffy, Sandy Ellison, Laura Gasaway, Paige Graening, John Hinkle, Charles McClure, Katherine MacNeill, Marilyn Shackleford, Barbara Spriesterbach, Jimmie Lee Welch, Ruth Wender, Gerry Wright

REPORT:
This committee met monthly with an active, interested membership. The functions of this committee are:
1. Encourage the development of and participation in continuing education programs for the members of OLA.

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2. Suggest workshops, conferences and continuing education programs.

3. Serve as consultant to divisions, roundtables, or committees planning and implementing workshops, conferences, and continuing education programs. Executive Board of OLA will instruct the chairperson of the C.E. committee to assign consultants to each workshop planning group.

4. Meet with newly elected officers of divisions, roundtables, and committees at the close of the OLA conference to discuss plans for continuing education activities for the coming year. This will avoid unnecessary duplication and correlate dates.

5. Encourage the establishment of a clearinghouse within the state for continuing education activities.

The group recommended to the executive board that the committee structure be changed to: "The OLA Continuing Education Committee will consist of 12 appointed members which would include a chairman, chairman-elect, and past chairman. Each member would be appointed for a three year term on a rotating basis. The Coordinator for Continuing Education for the Oklahoma Department of Libraries would serve as an advisor on a permanent basis."

Projects initiated by the OLA Continuing Education Committee were the preparation of a manual to help OLA groups plan and implement workshops, the development of a personnel interchange program among Oklahoma libraries, and the sponsorship of a booth at the OLA conference.

RECOMMENDED OBJECTIVES FOR THE 1978-79 YEAR:

2. Complete personnel interchange program.
3. Change structure of committee.
4. Serve more actively in the consultant role to divisions, roundtables, or committees planning and implementing workshops, conferences, and continuing education programs.

GOVERNOR'S MANSION LIBRARY COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Lee B. Brawner
Other Personnel: Robert Clark, Anita Johnston, Mary Sherman, Thelma Jones, Bruce Haney, Mary Esther Saxon, Barbara Spriesterbach

REPORT:
The committee as a whole met twice during the year and a sub-committee to finalize new additions to the Governor's Mansion Library will meet on April 3. Some of the new books being added to the library will be displayed in the Model Library at the Governor's Conference on Libraries.

Presentation of the new books to the Governor will be scheduled in May.

Meetings with former committee members and staff from the Oklahoma Department of Libraries, who serve as liaison to the committee, proved valuable in defining the goals and functions of the committee. The chair is especially indebted to Harriet Barbour of the ODL (and a former chair of this committee) for her assistance in defining the liaison and services provided the committee from the ODL. Governor Boren was contacted for his suggestions regarding new additions to the collection.

While publicity about this year's additions to the collection will be generated in May the committee had a special treat at its Jan. 16 meeting; thanks to the assistance of Barbara Webb, administrative assistant in the Governor's office, Oklahoma's First Lady, Mrs. Molly Boren, hosted the committee at the Governor's Mansion. The committee reviewed the collection and received Mrs. Boren's suggestions for possible additions.

(During this meeting Mrs. Boren inquired about volunteering her services as a children's storyteller at the Ralph Ellison Branch of the Metropolitan Library System; arrangements were made and she presented the storyhours on March 14 and 21 with front page publicity and photo in the OKC press.)

Thanks to the assistance of Robert Clark and the ODL staff, the ODL will initiate this year a program to purchase and place on loan in the Governor's Mansion Library current editions of selected reference books. This will mean the OLA funding can be applied to the purchase of other permanent books for the collection.

RECOMMENDED OBJECTIVES FOR THE 1978-79 YEAR:

Consider the design and production of a special brochure describing the initiation and development of the Library in the Governor's Mansion.

INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM COMMITTEE

Chairperson: J. Michael Bruno
Other Personnel: Karen Andrews, Lee Brawner, Norma Dryer, Keith Edwards, Vicki Funk, Lee Graham, T. H. Milby, Joan Tanner, Jean Thompson, Judy Walden, and Herbert Winn

REPORT:
The current membership of the Intellectual Freedom Committee sensed that one of the most important contributions it could make this year was to initiate a series of ongoing programs that could be continued during 1978-1979. Accordingly, a survey tool was designed by Lee Brawner to ascertain how many public libraries in the state have officially endorsed the principles of intellectual freedom as spelled out in the various statements of ALA. This survey is in progress at this time. Plans were formulated to conduct workshops, but due to extreme weather conditions this year, this activity was not completed.

With the help of Oliver Delaney Oklahoma Legislation was monitored and no bills were introduced that would fail in this committee's province of concern. Senate Bill No. 328 (Lambert of Senate and Twidwell of House), Amending O.S. 1971, section 1021 which was introduced last session and amended by the House (May 25, 1977) was returned to the Senate and apparently is dying there without further action anticipated. On the national scene, Senate Bill No. 1011, "Sexual Exploitation of Children" passed the House (with amendments) and was recently signed by the President.

During the annual OLA Conference we will share in the presentation of two programs. In a supportive role we are aiding the SRRT in a showing and discussion of a film, "The Speaker." The program for which we have
primary responsibility concerns itself with intellectual freedom for children, and our main speaker will be Dr. Kenneth Donelson, Professor of English, University of Arizona. A reactor will consist of four lay people: Mrs. Estelle Hamilton, civic leader, homemaker and mother of three children; Rev. Eugene Augustine, Associate Pastor, First Presbyterian Church (Tulsa); Mr. Art Hill, a Native American and a member of the School Board (Oklahoma City); and Mr. Gerald Kamin's, an attorney associated with the American Civil Liberties Union. The Children's and Young People's Division are aiding us in our presentation.

RECOMMENDED OBJECTIVES FOR THE 1978-79 YEAR:

It is hoped that the survey of public libraries will be continued and finished, and that a like survey be initiated on the school library level. At least two workshops should be offered and should be conducted in two distinct areas of the state.

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS OR RESOLUTIONS:

In order for this committee to carry on the important work assigned to it, some method of carryover of membership should be initiated by the powers that be. The committee passed a resolution to the effect that at least one-third of the membership be carried over to the newly appointed committee in order to carry out the work that was not finished during the preceding year.

INTERLIBRARY COOPERATION COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Heather Lloyd

REPORT:

During 1977-78 the interlibrary Co-operation Committee considered three areas of concerns which relate to library interrelationships. The committee divided into two subgroups to consider "Resource Sharing" (Virginia Owens, facilitator) and "Interlibrary Loan Operations" (Terry Basford, facilitator). The Committee as a whole considered items related to "Networking."

The "Resource Sharing" subgroup surveyed some 340 libraries of all types in the state to determine if there might be a need for a "Union List of Microform Sets in Oklahoma Libraries." Committee members felt that such a union list would benefit patrons of all libraries in the state, as well as the libraries themselves. Microform sets are costly, and some unnecessary duplication of acquisitions of very important but less frequently used sets might be avoided. These resources could be shared through interlibrary loan and/or by advising patrons of the proximity of specific material available for research use at the owning library.

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By type of library, the academic libraries were very much in favor of such a list:


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Since the Association would be financially unable to support such an endeavor, the Committee recommended to the library directors at the University of Oklahoma and Oklahoma State University that such a union list might be a project for a grant proposal. (Unfortunately, the funding program we had in mind had the requirements for proposals changed before it was finally enacted.)

The "Interlibrary Loan Operations" subgroup considered the implications of the new copyright law and ways to comply with it to be of primary importance. It was observed that the Oklahoma Department of Libraries was distributing information on copyright compliance and other library groups were presenting workshops on the subject, so this subgroup opted to delay further action on this concern until the new legislation has been in effect for a while.

The Committee also considered the ramifications of networking activities around the state. When the LSDA/ODL Network Advisory Council was formed in July, the Committee urged that it have representation in its membership. This has been done, and this will enable both groups to operation with an awareness of what the other is doing.

In an effort to make fellow OLA members aware of interlibrary activities and prospects in Oklahoma, the Committee made arrangements to present a panel/forum program, OKLAHOMA LIBRARY RESOURCE SHARING, at the Annual Conference, on Friday, March 31, from 2:15 to 4:40 p.m.

RECOMMENDED OBJECTIVES FOR THE 1978-1979 YEAR:

Possibilities to consider:

Prepare "Resource Sharing Notes" for the Oklahoma Librarian (?), ODL Source (?), other publications (?).

Further study of copyright compliance guidelines. Provide a workshop on same (?).

More intensive study of possible networking activity, with consideration of NAC activity and that of other groups interested in networking. Consider sharing expertise of fellow librarians through workshops/seminars on such possible topics as:

- maps, U.S. documents, Oklahoma documents, orientation/instruction, microforms, data bases, etc.

LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Elsie L. Bell
Other Personnel: Barbara Duffy, co-chairperson; Stanley Boson, academic library subcommittee chairperson; William Lowery, public library subcommittee chairperson; Barbara Duffy, school library subcommittee chairperson; Robert L. Clark, Jr., state library liaison; Esther Mae Henke, federal liaison

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October 18, 1977 a legislative network workshop under the direction of Aaron Corwin brought together 65 librarians and library supporters from around the state who will be responsible for contacting legislators on library legislation. The orientation session included remarks by Representative Charles Cleveland of Tulsa.

The Academic Library Subcommittee sponsored a November 4 workshop at OBU on "Securing Financial Support for Academic Libraries." A panel of academic officials considered the topic which was followed by an address by Dr. John Dowgray, Jr., vice-president of Academic Affairs at the University of Tulsa. Dr. Dowgray stressed the many problems involved in promoting the library and its needs with the increasing competition for institution funding. Oklahoma college and university libraries receive approximately 4% of the education budget and are seeking an increase of 6% which is the national recommendation.

The Academic Library Survey conducted out of the Office of the State Regents for Higher Education was released in December, 1977, and has made an impact on the academic community. LDG member Dr. Roscoe Rouse and other members of the Academic Library Resources Committee are to be commended on their work. Most state academic libraries were rated below accepted standards. The legislature was petitioned during the annual HEACO conference on December 3 for better funding for the OU and OSU libraries which ranked 84 and 92 out of 94 Association of Research Libraries. Action has been taken by the State Regents urging "upgrading of libraries as a goal" and recommending institutions "budget funds as necessary for moving toward national standards."

A Needs Assessment Study being prepared by the Battelle Corporation will be completed in the spring of 1978. This study is designed to evaluate the effectiveness of libraries in Oklahoma and construct a long-range plan for library development in Oklahoma, 1978-1987.

Public libraries meeting the criteria for state aid received, for the first time, a portion of the $125,000 state appropriation for public libraries. The Governor's budget for 1978-1979 proposed to increase funds from $125,000 to $175,000. An additional $100,000 was added by the House and $300,000 by the Senate near the end of the legislative session bringing the total appropriation to $575,725. The House Bill is now in the General Conference Committee for Appropriations.

A proposal for $1.4 million to be distributed to schools with centralized media programs, drafted by the Library Resources Division staff and school librarians across the state, has been written into the State Department of Education budget as a line item at the direction of Dr. Fisher. In September a meeting was arranged by school librarians to speak with Governor Boren in Tulsa about the need for certified school librarians. The $1.4 million has since been reduced to $700,000.

The OLA Legislative Day was held at the Capitol March 14 and all legislators were contacted and given library legislation packets containing information relating to all types of libraries. Seventy-eight librarians and trustees attended and some legislators were taken to lunch. A large group visited with Lt. Gov. Nigh on funding problems affecting all libraries. Barbara Duffy and Ann Rounds were handed a citation declaring March 14 Library Legislative Day from the House and Barbara was introduced from the floor of the Senate. Legislators were invited to attend the reception for delegates, legislators and librarians on May 1 during the Governor's Conference. Barbara Duffy and her Legislative Day Committee are to be commended on an outstanding job.

LDC will sponsor a legislative breakfast March 31 at the OLA Conference. A panel composed of federal, state and local officials will examine the role of all libraries at the various levels of government. The panel moderator will be Robert L. Clark, Jr., Director of the Oklahoma Department of Libraries, who has been of great assistance to the committee in all aspects of legislation.

The committee has responded to calls for action at the federal level especially in the extension of LSCA funding. Barbara Duffy will travel to Washington, D.C. in April to participate in National Legislative Day.

RECOMMENDED OBJECTIVES FOR THE 1978-79 YEAR:

1. Strengthen operation of the library legislative network.
2. Consider possible joint bond issue for purchase of library materials to benefit all types of libraries.
3. Investigate separate source of funding for OLA legislative action.

LIBRARY EDUCATION DIVISION

Chairperson: Judith Ann Crouch, Northwestern Oklahoma State University
Other Personnel: Chairperson-Elect: Polly Clarke, Northeastern Oklahoma State University; Secretary: Elizabeth R. Scott, Central State University

REPORT:
The LED Chairperson attended the OLA Past Presidents' Leadership Workshop on June 10, 1977, at the Oklahoma Department of Libraries. This Workshop provided information and instructions for the work of the OLA committees, divisions, and roundtables for the year.

The annual fall Library Education Division Workshop was held October 7, 1977, in the Library Science Department of Central State University, Edmond. Media educators in the state were guests of the library educators for the 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Workshop. Thirty persons attended.

Guest speaker for the afternoon was Dr. Robert B. Kamm, Past President of the Oklahoma State University, who addressed the topic "Higher Education in a Changing Oklahoma." The talk was followed by questions and discussion with the audience.

A slide-tape presentation on the University of Oklahoma School of Library Science, prepared by Dr. James Healey, Director, was presented by Dr. Bernice McKibben, OU faculty member.

Following refreshments, Dr. John Ludrick, Chairperson of the Library Media/Instructional Media Certification Revision Committee, presented the Learning Resources Certification Revision Proposal developed by the Committee. Frances Alsworth presented the suggested revisions to this proposal from an Oklahoma Association of School Library Media Specialists Committee. Dr. Polly Clarke and Dr. Elizabeth McCorkle
presented a "Modified Texas Plan" as a minority report on the program. After discussion of the three presentations, the Library Education Division voted to support the "Modified Texas Plan" and asked that the LED Chairperson send formal word of this support to the Professional Standards Board for the State of Oklahoma, the Oklahoma Association of Educational Communications and Technology, and the Oklahoma Association of School Library Media Specialists. Following the Workshop, the LED Chairperson sent a letter to each of these groups informing them of the action taken by the Library Education Division.

Forms for listing names of young people interested in librarianship were distributed from Sheila Wilder Hoke, Chairperson of the Recruitment Committee of OLA. Educators were encouraged to complete the forms and return them to Mrs. Hoke by December 1, 1977, so that the Committee would have time to contact the individuals.

The Nominating Committee, appointed by the LED Chairperson, included Elizabeth Scott (Chairperson), Ray Lau, and Dr. John Sayre. This Committee selected the following slate of candidates for the 1978-1979 LED offices. Vice-Chairperson, Chairperson-Elect: Anne K. Hoyt, Oklahoma State University, and Jon M. Suter, East Central Oklahoma State University. Secretary: Bonnie McKee, Western Oklahoma State College, and Alice Shaklee, Phillips University. Mailed ballots were to be returned by March 11, 1978. Results of the election will be announced at the divisional meeting during the annual conference.

Dr. Polly Clarke, Judith Crouch, and Dr. Elizabeth McCorkle have represented LED on the Library Media/Instructional Media Certification Revision Committee. This Committee is in the process of drafting a joint certification proposal for the two curriculum areas.

Judith Crouch has represented LED at all meetings of the OLA Program Planning Committee. The Library Education Division will meet during the 1978 OLA Conference in Tulsa on Friday, March 31, from 2:15 p.m. to 4:40 p.m. Dr. Jane Anne Hannigan, Professor of Library Science, School of Library Service, Columbia University, will be the guest speaker. Her presentation, "Media: Meaning and Accountability," will deal with the question of media in library education with some elaboration on the relationship of media to teaching strategy.

RECOMMENDED OBJECTIVES FOR THE 1978-79 YEAR:
The functions of the Library Education Division as developed this year for the revised OLA Handbook will serve as a guide for the work of the Division. These objectives are:

1) To further the purpose of the Oklahoma Library Association in its effort to promote library service and leadership in the state.

2) To promote librarianship as a profession of service dedicated to the educational, social, and economic needs of society.

3) To improve the quality of library education programs in Oklahoma by a cooperative, dedicated, and informed effort on the part of Division members.

4) To provide a vehicle whereby library educators in the state can exchange ideas, expertise, and information relative to the library education programs in the colleges and universities of Oklahoma.

5) To support the continuing education of library educators by sponsoring workshops and annual OLA Conference programs on topics of current importance.

6) To bring outstanding librarians to Oklahoma to share their knowledge from an international, national, and/or regional standpoint.

7) To involve Division members in issues affecting the library education programs offered in the state.

8) To encourage library educators to do research into the problems and needs of the profession and to develop new teaching materials and new methods of teaching.

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS OR RESOLUTIONS:
In an attempt for the Division to become self-supporting, it is recommended that the LED membership give consideration to charging a small registration fee for the fall workshop to cover the cost of bringing non-OLA speakers for programs when deemed to be of value to the membership.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
Chairperson: Claudette Hagle
Other Personnel: Linda Dunham, Susan Gilley, Sue Ann Harrington, Lucaila Hinson, William A. Martin, Marilyn Smith, Beverly Sprehe, Evelyn Thornton, Patte Wallace, Mary Elizabeth Webb, Mary Ann Williams

REPORT:
The Membership Committee met September 28, 1977 at the Oklahoma Dept. of Libraries to get things rolling for the membership year. Membership forms on hand were revised listing the name and address of the new Executive Secretary and also a space provided for the member's social security number. Membership brochure was revised incorporating the "Communicate in '78" theme and containing the new dues schedule, a Calendar of Events for the current year, and changes in the information given about OLA. Mary Ann Williams was responsible for getting the brochure designed and 2,000 copies printed in green and black.

The committee prepared two separate updatings of that portion of the OLA Handbook dealing with the Membership Committee, one to cover the present policy on the membership year, and another to cover any changes passed by the OLA membership. This was forwarded to the Constitution and By-laws Committee.

In order to better inform members about OLA and to get them involved in the organization, it was decided to request a scheduled time for a Hospitality Hour and Orientation for New Members at the annual convention. This was approved and will be held at the OLA Conference in Tulsa, March 30, from 4:40 to 5:30 P.M.

Membership in OLA was promoted at several professional meetings. Among those were the OEA Convention at which Lucaila Hinson, Evelyn Thornton, and Aaron Conwin represented the committee; the Most Important Employees Workshop at which Sue Harrington and Patte Wallace distributed membership material for OLA; and the Library Educators Workshop at Central State for which Claudette Hagle took brochures and membership forms.
Members of the committee assigned as contact persons for types of libraries were: Lucalila Hinson and Evelyn Thornton (School Libraries); Mary Ann Williams and Beverly Sprehe (Public Libraries); William Martin, Linda Dunham, and Sue Harrington (Academic Libraries); Susan Gilley (Special Libraries).

At the October 17, 1977 meeting of the committee 1,000 membership forms and brochures were sent out to the current membership. In late November an institutional membership letter was sent to 257 in-state and 5 out-of-state institutions. Aaron Conway and Claudette Hagle worked on the institutional mailing.

The final meeting of the committee was held on January 10, 1978 (just before the snowy days began!) and brochures and membership forms were again sent to 564 members who were delinquent in getting dues paid by Jan. 1.

The number of new members and renewals will be available at the OLA Conference in Tulsa.

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS OR RESOLUTIONS:
Membership is everybody's business. Get involved in the organization, help promote libraries, and encourage your colleagues to do so, too.

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK
Chairperson: Lynda Baldwin
Other Personnel: Judy Tirey, Secretary; Lucalila Hinson, Susan Landers, Donna Skvaria, Bertha Innis, Lesslie Roberts, Bonnie Nix, Cecelia Hoffhines, Barbara Huntman, Sharon Saulman, Dean Doerr.

REPORT:
The National Library Week committee has strived to provide each librarian in Oklahoma with a variety of materials to help celebrate National Library Week. Materials of a wide variety were included in the packet to benefit various types of libraries. Committee members worked very diligently during December to complete the work on the packets and prepare them for mailing.

To provide additional publicity for National Library Week, the committee decided to have a booth at OLA. Ideas presented at the booth would be ditto, games, etc. which could be prepared quickly. The committee invited Susie (S.E.) Hinton to be our guest at OLA on Friday, March 31, and sign autographs at the NIW booth. She accepted, and we are all delighted. The Delacorte Publishing Company was kind enough to furnish three hundred (300) copies of her books to be given away at the conference.

To encourage participation in National Library Week and to obtain more ideas for materials and activities, an idea exchange was held at Belle Isle Library on February 18, 1978. We had a good turn-out in spite of the slippery roads. Hopefully, those attending went away with new ideas on how to make NIW more successful. The committee members wish to thank those who attended.

RECOMMENDED OBJECTIVES FOR THE 1978-79 YEAR:
The committee recommends that a civic organization, such as the Jaycees, be asked to serve as National Library Week Honorary Chairpersons for 1978-79. They need to be contacted as early as possible in order to be placed on their national schedule. In addition, we recommend that a study be made to update information about Oklahoma authors. During the process of compiling the NLW packets, it was discovered that no listing is available of authors currently living in Oklahoma. We feel that compiling a current list of Oklahoma authors would be a worthwhile project for the NLW committee. It could be useful for publicizing NLW in 1978-79.

Other recommendations: The National Library Week committee suggests that appointments to the committee be made on a two-year rotating basis. The combination of experienced members and new members would help keep ideas flowing and allow for objectives to be better accomplished.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE
Chairperson: James R. Wilkerson
Other Personnel: Alfreda Hanna, Donna Denniston, Edith LaForge, Anne Hoyt, and Harriet Barbour

REPORT:
The committee was called together early this association year to elect the four new directors. Two nominations were made which represented a cross section of types of libraries in the association. Those elected were: James Alsip; Lee Brawner; Robert Clark and Jean Harrington.

When the nominating committee met again it was to select a slate of nominees for the 1978-79 association year. Nominations were made. The following will serve the association as officers on the Executive Board for 1978-79:

President—Pat Woodrum
First Vice-President-—President Elect—James Alsip
Second Vice-President—Barbara Eskridge
Secretary—Betty Gatchell
Treasurer—Jan Keene
Directors—Jim Beavers, Mae Jennings, Barbara Spietersbach, Marilyn Vesely

OKLAHOMA ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL LIBRARY MEDIA SPECIALISTS
Chairperson: Charlie Lou Rouse
Other Personnel: Linda Cowen-Chairperson-elect; Emma Jeanne Bartlett-Secretary; Blanchie Gray-Myes-Treasurer

REPORT:
This has been a busy and exciting year for our division. The first AASL Affiliate Assembly, efforts toward school library legislation and certification provision, revision of the constitution, and the upcoming Governor's Conference are some of the matters we have had before our organization for action.

The two Oklahoma delegates to the Affiliate Assembly of AASL, Arlene Chapman and Charlie Lou Rouse, sat as our official members of the first assembly when that body convened to set up the new organization in Detroit on June 19, Ronald G. Billings from Michigan, a member of both ALA and AECT, was elected temporary chairperson. A bylaws committee was named with a representative elected from each region. Region VI, which includes Oklahoma, elected
Mary Choncott, Arizona Department of Education, as its representative.

The biggest news in library media legislation was the inclusion of $1,400,000 in the State Board of Education budget for the improvement of school library programs. Although the Governor failed to include it in his budget, the effort may yet bear fruit. Representative Don Johnson from Pawnee introduced an amendment to Senate Bill 454 to include $700,000 for school library media programs, which received approval in the Appropriations Committee and we hope it will now pass in the House and Senate. Though not as much as we had hoped for, this would nonetheless be a good start.

On March 3 a special task force of OASLMS members met with Superintendent Leslie Fisher and Assistant Superintendent Campbell to discuss funding for library media programs. Dr. Fisher and Dr. Campbell expressed their intention of providing an opportunity for OASLMS to present our state library media needs to superintendents from over the state when they meet in Oklahoma City in June.

Because of proposed OLA constitutional changes and because of our relationship to a new unit, the Affiliate Assembly of AASL, the OASLMS constitution is in need of change. A revision has been drafted and Linda Cowen will present it to the OASLMS membership at the OLA conference for a vote at our meeting in October.

At the OASLMS semiannual meeting last fall Dr. Mary Boyvey, Program Director, Instructional Resources Division, Texas Education Agency, spoke on the Learning Resources Specialist Certificate which was sanctioned for Texas school systems last year. Following her talk three certification proposals for Oklahoma were brought before the membership in a clear and comprehensive manner by panel members representing OAECT, OASLMS, and LED. Discussion was good and it seemed obvious that a better understanding was gained of all aspects of the new certification proposals.

With this bipartisan input, Dr. John Ludrick, Chairman of the Library Media Certification Committee called a meeting in December for the purpose of completing the revision of the certification proposal. An all-day session resulted in a draft of a final proposal which is to be distributed to members of the committee for reading. It will subsequently be sent to the chairpersons of OAECT, OASLMS, LED and then to the State Department of Education for action.

The Oklahoma Governor's Conference is scheduled for April 30 through May 2 at the Lincoln Plaza Inn, Oklahoma City, and OASLMS has a part to play in the program. Several school librarians are involved in planning the conference, others will appear on the program and still others will attend as delegates.

The OASLMS meeting at the 1978 OLA Conference is scheduled for Friday, March 31, from 10:30 to 12 noon. Our speaker will be D. Philip Baker, Coordinator of Instructional Media Programs for Stamford, Connecticut, Public Schools who will discuss “Trends in School Library Media Programs.” Mr. Baker is an associate editor of School Media Quarterly and is AASL Region I Director and a delegate to the Affiliate Assembly.

RECOMMENDED OBJECTIVES FOR THE 1978-79 YEAR:

1. Revise the OASLMS Constitution.
2. Continue efforts toward legislative funding to improve school library media centers, especially the provision of funds for certified librarians.
3. Continue efforts to convince school administrators of the importance of school media centers and certified librarians.

OKLAHOMA IMAGE STATEWIDE HUMANITIES PROJECT

Chairperson: Mary Beth Ozmun Watkins

REPORT:

The concepts of the Oklahoma Image Project developed in 1975 when five Oklahoma librarians attended a workshop on humanities programming development. Their idea of reflecting the state's multicultural heritage in public programs in libraries was presented in draft form to the Oklahoma Humanities Committee, the state-based funding agency of the National Endowment for the Humanities. Realizing the potential of the Oklahoma Image concept, the OHC mounted an effort to develop a coordinated statewide project on historical and cultural themes. Other organizations, including the Oklahoma Department of Libraries, Oklahoma Library Association, Oklahoma Museums Association, Oklahoma Historical Society, Oklahoma Humanities Committee, Oklahoma Arts and Humanities Council and University of Oklahoma School of Library Science. In October of 1977, the National Endowment for the Humanities awarded a planning grant of $53,380 to the seven sponsors to support their efforts to determine a statewide, cohesive project including programs and materials development for the general adult public. Topics and themes underlying such development have been those peculiar to Oklahoma history and heritage.

With the planning period completed, the Oklahoma Department of Libraries, Oklahoma Library Association and University of Oklahoma School of Library Science have presented their proposal for programs and materials development to NEH to be reviewed during the summer of 1978. Notification of award is anticipated in October of 1978. The Oklahoma Humanities Committee has endorsed the goal of the project and is eager to serve Oklahoma Image as a resource clearinghouse as a potential funder of local programs.

Proposal plans include the development of the following materials:

1. A series of booklets on 10 ethnic groups significant in the settlement of the state: Indians, Czechs, Blacks, Jews, Italians, Hispanics, Poles, Germans, Germans from Russia and immigrants from the British Isles.
2. A slide-tape program on ethnic groups that have contributed to the building of Oklahoma and that have enriched its heritage, including the groups above and others such as the Chinese, Vietnamese, Scandinavians, et cetera.
3. Photographic exhibitions depicting the various racial and cultural groups of prominence in state history.
4. Radio series of 52 five-minute anecdotal/biographical programs featuring both well-known and less-known Oklahomans who have contributed to the development of the state.

5. Stationary slide-tape program on Oklahoma themes to be placed in the State Capitol Building.


Programming will be developed under Oklahoma Image throughout the state and will fall into two time periods: March 1979 through December 1979 and January through October 1980. During the first period, programming will be developed around existing community resources and interests. Programs held during this time will range from a library school workshop on the literature and history of Oklahoma to local library programs on the collection and preservation of ethnic community records and history/heritage fairs sponsored jointly by local historical societies and libraries. Programming during the second period will be developed around materials produced by the project.

All materials will be available in quantity to facilitate programming on the local level. Programs will touch on themes and topics not developed during the first programming period.

It is the intent of the project that all aspects of the state's multi-cultural heritage — e.g., crafts, music, local festivals, theatre, art — be drawn into and reflected by Oklahoma Image programming in order to provide a multi-faceted view of the state. The coordination of Oklahoma Image efforts with other programs related to state history and heritage will be an essential function of the project and project staff.

Target audiences for the project include senior citizens, newcomers to the state, ethnic groups and the traditional patronage of public libraries and cooperating local institutions. Other groups with which the project should cooperate may include businesses, industries, departments of the state, civic groups, etc.

The Oklahoma Image Project budget has been requested at $250,000. Aside from the project director who reports to the Executive Committee, the requested staff includes a program coordinator to oversee program development throughout the state, an administrative assistant and a part-time clerical assistant. The project director will hire for all other positions. The Oklahoma Department of Libraries will house the project office and will serve as fiscal agent.

Scholars knowledgeable about Oklahoma have already made commitments to work on the development of various materials and programs of Oklahoma Image. Librarians from across the state have pledged their time to serve on a variety of project committees during the next two years and to develop programs at the local level.

Summary prepared by Project Staff.

PRINTING ARTS ROUND TABLE

Chairperson: Harry Clark
Other Personnel: Roberta Hamburger, Chairperson-elect, Carol Tanzer Johnson, Secretary

REPORT:
The Printing Arts Round Table gave a workshop on "Binding problems and processes at the Motter Bookbindery in Muskogee, Oklahoma, Friday, December 9, 1977. Because of limited space, attendance had to be restricted to fifty participants, and there was a capacity attendance.

The program consisted of a tour of the bindery conducted by Mr. Robert Motter, and panel discussion of bindery problems and processes from the librarian's point of view. Panelists included: Calvin Brewer, Oklahoma State University; Virginia Collier, Oklahoma Department of Libraries; Ruth Harrington, University of Tulsa; Harriet Hobbs, Northeastern Oklahoma State University; Carol Tanzer Johnson, Oklahoma County Libraries; and Carol Schultz, Tulsa City-County Library System.

Coordinator for the workshop was Harry Clark, chairperson of PART. Clark and Roberta Hamburger, chairperson-elect, served as facilitators.

PART is presenting a conference program on Friday afternoon, "Publishing in Oklahoma — Past and Present." Speakers are Professors L. E. Carter and C. J. Holland of the University of Oklahoma School of Journalism. Conference-goers are invited to visit the PART booth in the Exhibits area. Impressive!

RECOMMENDED OBJECTIVES FOR THE 1978-79 YEAR:
PART hopes to continue its success in bringing worthwhile workshops in the book arts to interested Oklahoma librarians.

PROGRAM PLANNING COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Mrs. Pat Woodrum
Other Personnel: Cathy Audley, James Alsip, Sharon Saulmon, David Eymann, Judith Ann Crouch, Charlie Lou Rouse, Velma Lake, Allan Tanner, Lee Lilly, Marion Patmon, Harry Clark, Barbara Eskridge, Jan Keene, Richard Parker, Anne Rounds, John Hinkle, Aarone Corwin, Mr. Robert J. Motter, Jr., Meredith Cockrell, Carolyn Croft

REPORT:
The Program Planning Committee met on a regular schedule throughout the year, in order to plan the 1978 Annual Conference in Tulsa. Each member assumed the responsibility for planning the program for their own area; and consequently, this year's conference has a wide variety of speakers and programs.

As a committee, we had completed our work by the first of February and only last-minute details remained to be taken care of in March.

PUBLIC LIBRARIES DIVISION

Chairperson: Velma Lake
Other Personnel: Chairperson-Elect: Aarone Corwin; Secretary: Mary Looney
REPORT:
The Public Libraries and the Reference Divisions held a one-day Genealogy Workshop in the Oklahoma State Historical Building in Oklahoma City March 9 with 46 persons present.

"Science Fiction in Libraries"
The Public Libraries and Reference Divisions will feature Hal W. Hall, author of "Science Fiction Book Review Index, 1923-1973" at their meeting, Friday, March 31, at 10 a.m. Mr. Hall is Special Formats Librarian at Texas A&M University.

PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE
Chairperson: Oliver De Laney

REPORT:
This committee has been undergoing a slow metamorphosis during these last two chairmanships in an attempt to redefine the committee's role and function within OLA. Where once this committee was primarily responsible for ensuring the publication of the association's official organ, the Oklahoma Librarian, it is now tasked with the responsibility for establishing and/or reviewing the guidelines for all official publications of the association. In this regard and in light of a resolution passed at last year's conference establishing an Editorial Board for the Oklahoma Librarian this committee (through its Chair) has been working on developing an editorial policy for the Librarian and guidelines for its publication. These are now in the formative stage.

It is expected that once these guidelines have been completed, the Publications Committee will then develop similar policies and guidelines for other publications of the association that may be presented to the committee for review in keeping with the committee's task. To date no other publication has been presented to this committee for approval until very recently when the Social Responsibilities Roundtable (SRRT) chair, Lee Lilly, requested a review of its newsletter. Because of the lateness of this request, it will be presented to next year's committee for review.

This committee has also worked with the Continuing Education Subcommittee on Workshops in assisting to develop a basic working manual for conducting conferences.

RECOMMENDED OBJECTIVES FOR THE 1978-79 YEAR:
(A) The Executive Board has requested this committee to investigate the recommendation that no in-state subscription to the Oklahoma Librarian be sold. Thus, to receive a subscription individuals and institutions would have to join OLA (a second subscription would be available at cost, $5.00).
(B) Investigate the possibility of increasing subscription rates to OkLib.
(C) Finalize OkLib editorial policy and publication guidelines.
(D) Complete and publish workshop manual of Continuation Education Committee.
(E) Develop essential publication guidelines for all other publications of the association.

(F) Review request from SRRT on status of its Newsletter.

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS OR RESOLUTIONS:
(A) Launch a modest publication program.
(B) It is recommended that the second sentence outlining the tasks and responsibilities of this committee (Bylaws, Article VI; Sec. 2k) be changed to read: "This committee shall monitor editorial, fiscal, production and personal policies of the official publications."

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE
Chairperson: Cathy Audley, Tulsa City-County Library
Other Personnel: Dean Doerr, Missi Freuhauf, Sally Harris, Gayle Miller, Sybil Connolly, Jean Harrington, Nancy A. Smith

REPORT:
The OLA publicity committee met twice in the Fall of 1977. Members of the committee were assigned to act as liaisons with other OLA committees to determine their publicity needs and make arrangements to meet those needs. The committee also decided that there is a need for establishing a publicity/communication network of librarians across the State. Network representatives would handle media contact concerning OLA news in their area of the State. As of this writing, the proposed network has not been established. However, we do feel this should be a goal to be accomplished by the committee during 1978.

The committee has discussed in depth the possibilities of sponsoring a public relations workshop for the entire state. After completing research on the matter and receiving feedback from other librarians, it was decided that 1) The emphasis of the workshop should be on the philosophies of PR and how to "make" news happen, as opposed to the "how tos" of writing news releases, PSA's, etc. 2) A PR expert from outside of Oklahoma should be brought in to conduct the workshop. 3) The content of the workshop should be of value to all types of librarians. 4) The committee should continue to explore the possibility of co-sponsoring the workshop with ODL. 5) The best time period for the workshop would be in the Fall of 1978. 6) We should continue to consider holding the workshop in three central locations.

The committee is gathering a collection of radio and TV public service announcements promoting libraries in general. We will be putting an OLA tag on the end of each, and then making them available to all Oklahoma stations.

The committee is also handling all OLA Conference publicity, including announcements of 1978-79 officers, award winners, etc.

We plan to meet again before the end of this fiscal year.

RECOMMENDED OBJECTIVES FOR THE 1978-79 YEAR:
1) Establish a publicity/communication network of librarians across the State.
2) Publicize (make the public aware of) OLA and Oklahoma libraries at every opportunity.
3) Sponsor a public relations workshop for librarians in Oklahoma.
4) Provide all radio and TV stations in Oklahoma with library public service announcements.
5) Publicize the 1979 OLA Conference to its fullest.
6) Consider establishing an on-going Oklahoma libraries’ PR exchange.

RECRUITMENT COMMITTEE

Purpose: "This committee shall develop a statewide recruitment program to encourage promising young people to enter librarianship.

ARTICLE VI, Sect. 2m

Chairperson: Mrs. Sheila Wilder Hoke
Other personnel: Charles Lookout, Claudette Hagle, Alice Shaklee, Christina Akers, Kay Parham, Martha Woltz, Jim Healey, Jan Chesnut.

REPORT

On September 13, 1977, Anne Rounds, President of the Oklahoma Library Association, telephoned Sheila Wilder Hoke to ask her to be chairman of the Recruitment Committee since Christina Akers wished to be relieved of the chairmanship.

The Recruitment Committee met on October 17 and agreed that its purposes would be recruit minority groups and others for library careers and to recruit for non-professional as well as professional positions.

On November 20 at 10:30 A.M. Sunday morning, a group of librarians were interviewed on the program, TRIBES, VOICES FROM THE LAND, on KOCO-TV Channel 5. Mr. Charles Lookout, a librarian at the Tulsa City-County Library; Miss Deena Harragara, a student at the O.U. Graduate Library School and formerly Miss Indian USA; and Mrs. Hoke, Chairman of the Recruitment Committee and Director of the Southwestern Oklahoma State University Library, were interviewed by Mr. Kelley Haney (Tonkel) to present the opportunities of the library profession to Native American young people.

The Recruitment Committee in order to identify those interested in the library profession has done the following:

1) Eight packets of flyers have been given to Mrs. Barbara Spriesterbach, Coordinator, State Department of Education, for distribution to workshops of school librarians concerning the recruitment program.
2) Recruitment flyers were distributed to the Library Educators at the fall Library Education Division, OLA workshop.
3) Packets of recruitment materials were given to the three mobile career units that visit every elementary and secondary school in Oklahoma.
4) Flyers were distributed to approx. 65 counselors and administrators at COUNSELOR’S DAY at SWOSU on October 6.
5) Flyers were distributed to a Talent Search Seminar sponsored by the Western Oklahoma Indian Service Center and a packet of recruitment information was left at the Southwest Indian Cultural Center in Weatherford.
6) Recruitment notices have been placed in Indian newspapers such as AKWEASNE NOTES.
7) The Recruitment Chairman visited with the Director of UNITY concerning the program.
8) An article concerning the program was included in the February OLA, THE PRESIDENT’S NEWSLETTER.

Approximately fifty people have been contacted individually from replies received from the sources above.

The Recruitment Committee plans to have a display of current literature and information concerning ordering it at the annual OLA Convention in Tulsa on March 30-April 1.

On March 31 at 2:00 P.M. on the local Tulsa TV station, the Recruitment Committee will have a 30-minute program on libraries, librarianship with the need for minority librarians, and the status of Oklahoma libraries. The following librarians will be on the program: Mrs. Sheila Wilder Hoke, Chairman of the Recruitment Committee and Director of the Southwestern Oklahoma State University Library; Dr. Guy Logsdon, Director of the Tulsa University Library; Mr. William McVain, Director of the Library of the Blind; Mrs. Thelma Jones, Coordinator of the Oklahoma City School Libraries; Dr. James Healey, Director of the University of Oklahoma Graduate Library School; Mrs. Claudette Hagle, Oklahoma State University Reference Librarian; and Mr. Charles Lookout, Tulsa City-County Reference Librarian.

RECOMMENDED OBJECTIVES FOR 1978-79 YEAR:
The Recruitment Committee started to think about a slide-sound program with the Oklahoma Department of Libraries (John Hinkle) writing and assisting with it. Perhaps this could be done next year if the ODL is willing.

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS OR RESOLUTIONS:
The chairman of the recruitment committee had a hard time getting the committee together for meetings because of weather and the distances where the members lived. Perhaps the meetings should be scheduled early in the fall and the members could be selected for the committee who live closer to each other.

REFERENCE DIVISION

Chairperson: Joan Meador
Other Personnel: Chairperson-Elect Allan Tanner; Secretary—Marilyn Vassely

REPORT:

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS OR RESOLUTIONS:
Chairperson should represent Division on Program Committee
Chairperson-Elect should be in charge of workshop.

RIGHT TO READ COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Meredith Cockrell
Other Personnel: Rita Cain — Secretary, John Hinkle, Sue Lawson, Otissey B. Denton, Irene Stone, Carolyn Wright, Donna Denniston, Paige Græning,
Ellen Luck, Vickie Gauglilude, Sister Mildred Christoph, Wilma Tipps, and Sharon Saulmon.

REPORT:
The Right to Read Committee of the Oklahoma Library Association met on Thursday July 21st at 10:00 a.m. in the small conference room of the Oklahoma Department of Libraries. Committee members present were: Rita Cain, Meredith Cockrell, Donna Denniston, Paige Graening, Irene Stone, Carolyn Wright and Sharon Saulmon.

Information was presented on the availability of matching federal funds for local RIF (Reading Is Fundamental) programs. A workshop was scheduled for the first week of October, but due to conflicts of scheduling, the workshop was cancelled. As reading has become a top priority, a workshop based on the RIF Program should be rescheduled.

RECOMMENDED OBJECTIVES FOR THE 1978-1979 YEAR:
To schedule a reading workshop with follow-up activities in conjunction with the RIF Program.
To form as a committee project a program for the non-reading adult.

SEQUOYAH CHILDREN'S BOOK AWARD COMMITTEE
Chairperson: Dr. Carolyn Croft
Other Personnel: Judith Ann Crouch, Elizabeth George, Barbara Johnson, Lois McGrew, Jeanette McQuilty, Celia Morris, Shirley Riggs, Clarice Roads, Kathy Rusk, and Mary Ann Wentroth.

REPORT:
The Sequoyah Committee met in May, September, November and February to consider titles for the 1978-79 masterlist and to discuss methods of increasing participation in voting on the award by Oklahoma boys and girls in grades 3-6. The Committee was concerned that only 11.9% of those eligible to vote were participating. They considered the program one of value and felt that a publicity campaign would help increase participation.

Numerous promotional activities have been undertaken which include:
(1) a September luncheon meeting with the Advisory Council.
(2) a booth at the Oklahoma Education Association Convention.
(3) moving the time ahead for selection of the masterlist titles from January to November to allow for time to get promotional materials ready for distribution in February so schools and libraries may have Sequoyah Award activities in the spring as well as the fall of the year.
(4) requested and received a $400 grant from the Cherokee Tribe to finance printing of bookmarks for free distribution to each Oklahoma student in grades 3-6.
(5) additional promotional materials including informational brochures, posters, and were printed and a sound slide program of the masterlist titles was produced.
(6) invited three educational groups to name representatives to the Sequoyah Advisory Council.
(7) developed a Sequoyah Selection Statement.
(8) submitted a proposal to The Kerr Foundation for funds for a five year awareness and publicity campaign (decision is pending).
(9) made plans for newspaper and television coverage of the award.

The ballots were counted in February and a total of 24,881 Oklahoma school students voted which represents 14.5% of those eligible. The winning author was Clyde Robert Bulla for his book, SHOESHINE GIRL. Mr. Bulla's previous travel plans will not permit him to accept the award in person. His editor, Marilyn Kinney, will be in Tulsa, April 1 to attend the Sequoyah Luncheon and to accept the award on behalf of Mr. Bulla.

RECOMMENDED OBJECTIVE FOR THE 1978-79 YEAR:
PUBLICITY!!

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:
(1) Have a meeting with the Advisory Council during the OLA Conference to emphasize the new masterlist titles and promotional materials and eliminate the fall luncheon. This will allow for material to be distributed in the spring rather than fall.
(2) Increase the length of time the Advisory Council members serve to two year terms with half the council members being new each year.

SITES COMMITTEE
Chairperson: Tom Ballard
Other Personnel: Dean Doerr, Annette Duffy, Ruth Herrington, Bob Motter, Eva Roberts.

REPORT:
The Committee met in Tulsa twice and in Oklahoma City once. The early meetings in Tulsa were in preparation for the finalization of the 1978 site in Tulsa. The Sheraton Skyline East was selected for March 30, 31 and April 1, 1978.

With approval of the Executive Board, it was decided to book alternating sites in Oklahoma City and Tulsa for five (5) years in advance. The following places and dates are confirmed and holding from 1979 thru 1982.
1979—Oklahoma City, Lincoln Plaza — March 22, 23, 24, 1979
1980—Tulsa, Williams Plaza — March 20, 21, 22, 1980
1981—Oklahoma City, Lincoln Plaza or Sheraton Century Center. Both hotels holding. Committee will decide in April, 1978 the exact hotel. — March 19, 20, 21, 1981
1982—Tulsa, Williams Plaza — April 15, 16, 17, 1982

RECOMMENDED OBJECTIVES FOR THE 1978-79 YEAR:
Continue with alternate sites selection to keep ahead of accelerating demands on convention sites in Oklahoma.

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SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITIES ROUND TABLE

Chairperson: (Acting) Lee R. Lilly
Other Personnel: Katherine Hale, Secretary

REPORT:
SRRT met in October and November 1977 and February and March, 1978. The roundtable was engaged in the following activities:

1) SRRT planned a program for the annual OLA conference consisting of showing the ALA produced film "The Speaker" to be followed by a panel reaction and audience discussion.

2) The roundtable also planned a booth for the OLA annual conference encouraging outreach service to deaf and hearing impaired patrons. A demonstration of equipment for telephone communication with the deaf is planned.

3) Entries were invited for the SRRT Citation of Merit for the outstanding Outreach Program in an Oklahoma library. The Citation will be presented at the OLA annual conference.

4) The growing Resource File of Outreach Projects which have been carried out in Oklahoma libraries over the past few years was abstracted and compiled in loose leaf format and will be available at the SRRT booth.

5) The OLA SRRT Newsletter, begun last year and published prior to each SRRT meeting, was continued.

TECHNICAL SERVICES DIVISION

Chairperson: Marian G. Palmon
Other Personnel: Vice Chairperson/chairperson Elect, Janice Donnell; Secretary, Beth Freeman

REPORT:
At the request of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee the following statement was prepared for the OLA Handbooks. The functions of the Technical Services Division are to discuss, plan and study the activities, problems and services relating to acquisition, identification, cataloging and classification and the preservation of library materials.

Members of the Nominating Committee for the Division were Jan Blakely, Chairperson, Ann G. Williamson and Elsie Branton. Sarah Rinehart was elected Chairperson and Carolyn Pate was elected secretary.

Plans are now being formulated for a Workshop on Serials to be held at East Central University in Oklahoma. Members of the Committee for the Workshop are Stephen Skidmore, Chairperson, Donna Denniston and Harriett Hobbs. Paige Graening is the liaison person for the Continuing Education Committee.

RECOMMENDED OBJECTIVES FOR THE 1978-79 YEAR:
Recommended that the workshop on microfilms which was planned in 1976-77 be rescheduled.

TRUSTEES DIVISION

Chairperson: Barbara Eskridge
Other Personnel: Mrs. Marewaile John, Vice-Chairman/Chairman-elect

REPORT:
Three trustee’s workshops were held June 26, 27, and 28 in Lawton, Oklahoma City, and Tulsa. Our speaker and moderator, Alice Ihig, Past President of ALTA, generated a lot of enthusiasm for library work. The workshops were sponsored by the Continuing Education Unit of the ODL and were attended by 97 persons.

A hard working nominating committee, made up of Mrs. Ann Henderson, Chairman, of Stigler, Mrs. Kay Davis, Guthrie and Mrs. Josephine Rabin, Lawton, selected a fine double slate of candidates for the offices of Vice-Chairman/Chairman-elect, and secretary/treasurer.

A “Special Day for Library Trustees” has been planned during the OLA Conference. Three workshops are for the “beginning trustee and three are for the “old hands.” An outstanding array of speakers are lined up and three trustee reactors will be with each speaker. All trustees received a brochure and contact was made with all board chairman (that could be reached) in the state.

John Hinkle of the Continuing Education Unit of ODL was the prime mover in setting up and advertising all the workshops. Our thanks to a very nice man who is great to work with.

RECOMMENDED OBJECTIVES FOR THE 1978-79 YEAR:
Revise the 1972 Trustees handbook and make it available to all new trustees.

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS OR RESOLUTIONS:
Have a workshop each year during the conference for new trustees.

UNION LIST OF SERIALS COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Norman Nelson
Other Personnel: Ruth Blake, Betty Brown, Ron Curtis, Sue Anne Harrington, Evelyn Hesley, Carol Tanzer Johnson, Bernice McKibben, Marie Sparks

REPORT:
The Union List of Serials Committee has given its attention during the past year to the future of the Union List Project. As early as 1976, it was rather clear that the high editorial and coordination costs involved in updating, production and sale of the List would preclude the OSU Library and probably any other single library from continuing to absorb the financial burden from its regular operating budget beyond the 1977 edition. If the List is to have a future, therefore, it seems clear that: (1) Special, ongoing funding arrangements will have to be worked out; and (2) The List must be placed on a more solid and predictable basis with detailed procedural guidelines developed.

Prior to the development of detailed plans for future editions, however, the committee felt it was necessary to determine whether the degree of usefulness of the List as an interlibrary loan reference tool would warrant its continuation. Accordingly, in November of last year the committee sought input regarding the future of the List by surveying the directors of all libraries that have purchased a copy.

Fifty nine completed surveys were returned (57.9% return). The results indicated that: a substantial majority of the responding libraries want the List continued, and the category of “Annual” received nearly three times
as many votes as any other single update category. While most libraries indicated they would be willing to pay a somewhat higher purchase price for future editions, it is evident that this avenue would cover a very small part of any future update costs. Only two libraries, one participating and the other nonparticipating from Oklahoma, indicated they were not satisfied with the list in its present form. The participating library suggested that the Union List should be incorporated in the OCLC/CONSER II data base, presumably as a means of standardizing the titles in the List and paving the way for possible on-line access when OCLC makes its ILL Subsystem a viable alternative. The nonparticipating library felt that the value of the List as an interlibrary loan tool would be enhanced if more libraries, particularly special libraries, were encouraged to participate in future editions.

In March of this year, a status report on the Union List of Serials Project was presented to the newly established Network Advisory Council. It was made known that the Union List Committee plans to submit to that body a proposal for LSNA funding to continue the List. Prior to presenting a formal proposal, however, the committee sought comments and suggestions from the NAC that might be useful in preparing a proposal. In addition to reporting the results of the recent survey, the following alternatives were discussed as a possible future basis for the List: (1) Continuation of the List on essentially the same basis as it has been produced in the past (but expand the number of libraries participating, provide for more flexibility in print capabilities and publication formats, and use New Serial Titles as the guide in establishing standards for titles); (2) Use the OCLC/CONSER II serials format to produce a state list (with an archival tape purchased from AMIGOS which could be matched against the Union List master tape to produce a complete state list that would be formatted as required); and (3) input the entire Union List retrospectively to the OCLC/CONSER II on-line data base. In regard to the latter alternative, it has been learned that it will not be possible to input massive retrospec-

tive conversion projects to OCLC until at least 1980 due to problems with certain aspects of the current serials programming. If a decision is made to input the Union List data to OCLC after 1980, it should be recognized that there appear to be several major problems which must be resolved prior to proceeding.

The members of the Council indicated they would not want to make a recommendation to the Union List of Serials Committee concerning a future basis for the List until they could review cost estimates for the alternative methods of updating. The estimates are being developed at the present time. It is the committee's hope that a recommendation concerning the future basis of the List will be forthcoming from the Council as soon as possible after the cost estimates are made available for them (sometime in April). The NAC recommendation will serve as the basis for the Union List of Serials Committee to draft a formal proposal for LSNA funding. The committee would hope to have a proposal ready to present to the Council in May.

RECOMMENDED OBJECTIVES FOR THE 1978-79 YEAR:

The Chairperson recommends that the Union List of Serials Committee for 1978-79 proceed as expeditiously as possible following NAC approval to develop guidelines (perhaps in the form of a detailed procedural manual) for future updates. An opportunity to participate in the Union List Project should be made available to any interested Oklahoma libraries, and input should somehow be solicited from all of the participating libraries as the guidelines for future updates are developed. The process of developing guidelines should include a consideration of a permanent staff (either full-time or part-time), including their housing and support, if the List is to be updated on an annual basis, as well as the possibility of orientation sessions for staff members of participating libraries. It should be possible for the committee in the coming year to establish a target date for the next update of the List.

June 1979 Conference in Dallas. Librarians and consultants with special interest are invited to write to Bernard Kreissman, Library Storage Facilities Program Committee, Shields Library, University of California at Davis, Davis, CA 95616.

For a free publication entitled Disabled USA, write The President's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped, Washington DC 20210. Published ten times a year, this magazine features publicity and how-to-suggestions for serving the handicapped.

Irma Tomberlin, O.U. School of Library Science, was named David Ross Boyd Professor by President Paul F. Sharp at the spring faculty meeting, May 4. To qualify, a faculty member must have demonstrated over a period of years "vigorou performance and leadership in the teaching, counseling, and guidance of students" (Faculty Handbook, 3.15.1). President Sharp noted her initiation of several innovative changes in the School's curriculum and her receipt of OLA's Distinguished Service Award in 1976.
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