

MINUTES
ANNUAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING OF THE
NEW MEXICO CONSORTIUM OF ACADEMIC LIBRARIES
TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 1996

The meeting was convened at 12:30p by Jennifer Minter, President.

NOMINATIONS ANNOUNCEMENT:

Jenny Minter, out-going President, announced the following appointments:
Stan Ruckman is the new Vice President
Linda Schappert is the new two-year institution representative
Isabel Rodarte is the new Secretary-Treasurer
Stephen Rollins is continuing his term as the four-year institution representative

TRANSFER OF GAVEL:

Ed Dowlin, incoming President, received the gavel from Jennifer Minter.

MINUTES:

The minutes of the December 18, 1995 general meeting were approved as distributed.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The Treasurer's report was approved as distributed, copy attached.

The following committees volunteered reports:

STATISTICAL COMMITTEE REPORT:

Jenny Minter reported that she had no new IPEDS forms to distribute, we should be getting copies from our institutions. We will need to fill them out by November and send a copy to Jenny.

RESOURCE SHARING COMMITTEE:

Mary Weaver, chair, distributed new Passport Policy sheets and Statistics forms. She asked that they be returned to her by the end of March.

AUTOMATION COMMITTEE:

Stephen Rollins reported that the FirstSearch contract needs to be renewed soon. He will be sending out a questionnaire to participants that should be returned quickly to him. He needs the following information: whether participants want to renew the service, what databases are wanted and what they are willing to budget for FirstSearch. He estimates that with the current databases it would be about \$4.00 per FTE student. Once again participants will be charged according to student FTE. Actual figures are not sufficient yet to charge based on usage, since FirstSearch only really started in September. It was recommended that Public Libraries be charged a FTE rate based on 10% of their registered patrons. LEIAN (the Texas consortium) may have 8 to 9 new participants, we picked up two new participants in mid-year and plan to add Santa Fe Public.

Ethnic News Watch, produced by Softline, is being purchased by three academic libraries in New Mexico. Stephen Rollins introduced the Softline rep who described the product. It contains the full text of articles and goes back as far as 1990. The graphics may be included at a future date, pending copyright clearance. Softline is interested in marketing their data over the Internet and is considering mounting a Web site at UNM as a pilot project.

We should consider joint (centralized) book binding and book vendor agreements. Randy Gaylor already piggybacks on UNM's bindery agreement. For example, NMCAL could get a multi-institutional approval plan. We could use the A+ system at AMIGOS as a model for setting up the rate base.

OLD BUSINESS:

Kay Krehbiel and Betty Reynolds reported that Pony Express prices have increased and service has decreased. They asked that the board investigate alternative methods of document delivery, or assign the task to a committee.

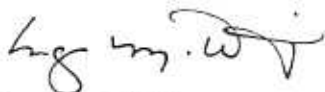
NEW BUSINESS:

Ed Dowlin invited NMCAL members to Portales for a two day Retreat to plan for the coming year and establish committee charges. He would like the Retreat to be inexpensive to encourage Directors to bring their staff. Dorm rooms would be available and shared rooms would run only \$10.00 a night for those bringing their own linen. NMCAL could cover meal costs. Ed suggested having workshops, such as "How to Get the Most out of FirstSearch" or "Creating a Library Homepage," and asked for other suggestions. Please send topics for retreat workshops to Ed Dowlin. e-mail: dowline@golden.enmu.edu Various dates for the Retreat were discussed and it was decided to hold it in early August.

Inga Waite moved that Jenny Minter be recognized for her outstanding work as NMCAL President. The motion passed by acclamation.

The meeting adjourned at 1:20p.

Respectfully submitted,



Inga M. Waite
NMCAL Secretary-Treasurer