

PUBLIC LIBRARIES SECTION

GEORGE LINDER, *Chairman*

The business meeting of the Public Libraries Section was held in the High Point YMCA on Friday, October 21, 1955 with George Linder, Librarian of the Catawba County Library, presiding as Section Chairman. Secretary of the Section, Phyllis Snyder, Librarian of the Nantahala Regional Library, read the minutes of the 1953 meeting in Asheville which were accepted without correction and reported a balance of \$37.00 in the treasury.

Brief summaries of the activities of Section committees were made by the following chairmen:

Paul Ballance reported that the Personnel Committee met twice, assisted in planning the Workshop in April and was responsible for the program at one of its sessions. He also gave the financial statement for the Workshop which started with a balance of \$248.96 from the In-Service Training Sub-Committee, collected \$262.00 registration fees, net Workshop expenses totaling \$395.50, leaving a balance of \$119.50.

Miss Elizabeth Plexico reported that the Audio-Visual Committee held six screening sessions to preview films and two planning meetings to plan block bookings in addition to arranging a program for the Workshop which included a demonstration of a film forum.

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Miss Evelyn Bishop reported that the Adult Education Committee was responsible for the selection of Mrs. Florence Craig, Adult Education Director of the Cuyahoga County (Ohio) Public Library, as a Workshop consultant. She stated that interest in this field is mushrooming so rapidly that it was difficult to decide on a single project but suggested for the new committee that most frequent requests for assistance came from smaller libraries which wanted to know how to start a program.

Miss Elizabeth Copeland reported that the Development Committee continued during the past biennium to work with the Legislature for increased State funds and prepared informative bookmarks to publicize facts and needs. She recommended the continuation of the committee.

Miss Antoinette Earle, Chairman of the Workshop Committee, reported that all comments indicated that it was a success and she expressed appreciation for the co-operative effort which made this possible.

Miss Jeanette Trotter reported for the Constitution Committee by reading the draft, PROPOSED BY-LAWS OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARIES SECTION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION. After some discussion, Paul Ballance made a motion, seconded by Hoyt Galvin, that the Section adopt the new constitution and the group voted its unanimous approval.

The slate of officers for the next biennium was then presented by the Nominating Committee and accepted on the motion of Paul Ballance, seconded by Hoyt Galvin. The new Section officers are:

Chairman—Neal Austin, Librarian, High Point Public Library.

Chairman-Elect—Mae Tucker, Reference Dept., Public Library of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County.

Secretary-Treasurer—Betty McReynolds, Greensboro Public Library.

Directors—Elizabeth Plexico, Librarian, Concord Public Library; Charlesanna Fox, Librarian, Randolph County Library.

Miss Mae Tucker as representative of the Sub-Committee on Recruiting made an appeal for volunteers for a speakers' list which is being compiled to assist on high school Career Days.

The installation of new officers was followed by a motion for adjournment.

PHYLLIS M. SNYDER,
Secretary