North Carolina Library Association
Minutes of the Executive Board

April 20, 2001
Wake Technical Community College
Raleigh, NC

Attending: Philip Banks, Phil Barton, Theron Bell, Pauletta Bracy, Terry Brandsma,
Ann Burlingame, Robert Canida II, Bao-Chu Chang, Sue Cody, Dale Cousins, Martha Davis,
Dave Fergusson, Carol Freeman, Beverley Gass, Paula Hinton, Gerald Holmes, Ross Holt,
Peggy Hoon, Al Jones, Diane Kester, Elizabeth Laney, Teresa McManus, Peggy Quinn,
Brenda Stephens, Jerry Thrasher, Patrick Valentine, John Via, Catherine Wilkinson,
Bobby Wynn, and John Zika. Visitors included: Jenny Barrett, Jane Casto, Tim Daniels,
Bonnie Fulp, Meredith Goins, Sebastian Hierl, Robert James, Juedi Kleindienst,
Elizabeth Leonard, Vanessa Mullis, and Linda Ramsey.

Welcome and Call to Order: Al Jones called the meeting to order at 10:15. Robert James, Director of Library Services, Wake Technical Community College, welcomed the board.
Approval of Minutes for January 26, 2001: The minutes were approved with one correction. Paula Hinton reported for the Documents Section, but is chair-elect of the section, not chair, as written in the minutes. Frank Molinek is the Chair for 2001.

President’s Report
President Jones announced that he had been interviewed by reporters for the Associated Press and Spectator Magazine about Internet filtering in libraries. George Taylor and Teresa McManus were congratulated on the success of the Leadership Institute. Patrick Valentine asked that names of Leadership Institute participants be sent to the nominating committee. Al attended the conference where the new portal for the special collections of North Carolina’s libraries, archives, and museums was unveiled. NC ECHO (Exploring Cultural Heritage Online) is now online at <www.ncecho.org>. Al sent a message to members of the North Carolina Association of School Librarians to volunteer for the open positions on their board. The section exists, but is currently without leadership. Open sessions will be held at the biennial conference to discuss the revitalization of the section. The Endowment committee is trying to build an endowment of $100,000 by the 100th anniversary of NCLA in 2004. Meralyn Meadows has agreed to chair the paraprofessional section. Hurricane Floyd relief continues. Robert Canida asked how much has been collected. Treasurer Diane Kester will include this information in the report for the next board meeting.

Treasurer’s Report
Operating accounts total $149,779.25 and total assets are $215,315.17. Section and roundtable account balances are posted online at <http://www.mindspring.com/~ncla/april2001/subAccountbalances.html>. Budget Report is at <http://www.mindspring.com/~ncla/april2001/operating.htm>. Treasurer Diane Kester noted that the association is over $10,000 in the black at the end of the third quarter. By managing grants for the State Library, the association has significantly increased its income. The Commission on School Librarians was not budgeted for, but its needs were covered by income from the grants administration. The Commission’s expenses included travel for the consultant and commission members.

Section/Roundtable Reports
Children’s Services Section
Chair Ann Burlingame noted that the section is discussing the future of collaborating for sponsorship of the North Carolina Book Award, which was co-sponsored with the NCASL. Plans for the conference include a breakfast meeting with Mary Calhoun, author of High-Wire Henry and Honestly, Katie John.

College and University Section
Chair Bobby Wynn reported that the section’s conference plans include a session with Deana Markham.

Community and Junior College Libraries Section
Chair Carol Freeman reported that the section had a table for recruiting at the NC Community College System Learning Resources Association (LRA) annual conference in Raleigh on March 14-16. The section is sponsoring a workshop entitled “Library Web Page Design for the Community College Library” at Guilford Technical Community College on May 18. Conference plans include a luncheon with Elliot Engel presenting
"Queen Victoria and the Victorian Novel" as well as a session with NetLibrary representative Mike Echery on the "Nuts and Bolts of NetLibrary." Several other conference ideas are still being considered, and the section welcomes co-sponsorship opportunities with other sections.

Documents Section
Chair Paula Hinton reported that the Spring workshop will be held on May 4 in Raleigh. The section's conference plans include a session with Grace York, coordinator of the University of Michigan Libraries' Government Documents Center.

Library Administration and Management Section
Chair Martha Davis and Dale Cousins, Chair-elect, reported on conference plans. A pre-conference program will be presented by Tom Moore, Director of the Wake County Public Library, on "Organizational Cultures, Systems Thinking, Model 1/2 Thinking." Linda Belans from NPR and UNC Radio will present a session on gender and communications at the conference on Wednesday afternoon. On Thursday, Ross Holt will be doing a session on leadership styles and winning leadership strategies as it relates to his research on leaders of the Revolutionary War. Debbie Lambert, LAMS Personnel and Staff Development Interest Group Chair, is also coordinating a luncheon/table talk for the mentoring interest group during the conference.

NC Association of School Librarians
No report.

NC Public Library Trustee Association
Chair Theron Bell reported that the section will hold a Thursday morning program for trustees at the conference. Negotiations are underway for a speaker. The section is also working with Brenda Stevens to co-sponsor a luncheon.

Public Library Section
Chair John Zika reported that the section will sponsor a luncheon with author Margaret Maron as speaker. Plans for additional sessions are also underway, including programs on the topics of Internet policies, cataloging Internet resources, and library advocacy.

Reference and Adult Services Section
Chair Philip Banks announced that the section wants to recruit a board member to represent Special Libraries. Negotiations for a conference speaker are underway.

Resources and Technical Services Section
Chair Teresa McManus announced the appointment of Sebastian Hierl, Collection Management Librarian for the Humanities and Social Sciences at North Carolina State University Libraries, as RTSS Collection Development Interest Group Chair. RTSS is seeking nominations and applications for three RTSS awards to be presented at the NCLA Conference. The RTSS Student Award is awarded to a student or recent graduate interested in collection management, acquisitions, cataloging, serials, or technical services related areas. The RTSS Significant Contributions Award is given to recognize individuals who have been leaders, and who have made significant contributions to development of resources and technical services solutions in North Carolina libraries. The third biennial RTSS award is for the best article from North Carolina Libraries relating to RTSS interests. Send nominations for the RTSS Awards to RTSS, c/o NCLA, 4646 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-4646.

New Members Round Table
No report.

NC Library Paraprofessional Association
No report.

Round Table for Ethnic Minority Concerns
Chair Robert Canida reported that REMCO is sponsoring or co-sponsoring the following programs at the conference: "Funding for the Future: Library Services to Hispanic and Latino Populations," "Children Are Our Future: Combining Fun with Languages at Storytime," and "Planning for the Future: Our Library Diversity Committee Planning."

Round Table on Special Collections
No Report.

Round Table on the Status of Women in Librarianship
Vice-Chair Brenda Stevens reported that conference planning is underway.

Technology and Trends Round Table

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Archives
No Report.

Commission on Charter/Home Schools
Co-Chair Pauletta Bracy reported that surveys have been developed and sent to all North Carolina charter schools and public libraries. Results will be reported at the next board meeting.

Conference
Chair Ross Holt thanked all sections for planning an informative, lively, and exciting biennial conference. The program now includes over fifty conference sessions and programs, three pre-conferences, nine luncheon programs (over three days) and
tour of the film school at the N.C. School of the Arts. The vendor reception will feature a mariachi band and the all-conference reception will have a swing band. Plans are underway to add a conference finale with a dessert reception and book signing with North Carolina authors. The pre-registration packets will go out on June 1. Twenty exhibitors have paid for booths so far. Since most payments come in May, this is a promising sign. The first general session will feature Mercury astronaut and NetLibrary board member Scott Carpenter.

Constitution, Codes and Handbook Revision
Chair Bao-Chu Chang presented each board member with a printed copy of the Handbook. She asked that all superseded copies be handed in. With the exception of the president’s copy, copies of the Handbook are assigned to the office, not to the individual, so the Handbook should be passed on as each board member is replaced. Bao thanked Maureen Costello for finding appropriate clip art for the cover of each copy. Over the weekend, the Web version of the Handbook will be updated.

Continuing Education
No report.

Development
Full report:
Chair Lib Laney announced that each board member should have received a letter requesting a $100 donation to the Endowment. Another letter will go to all members. Everyone in NCLA should feel like they have a part in the Endowment. She encouraged everyone to contribute something. As the committee begins requesting contributions from large donors, they typically ask how many people in the association contribute. Those who contribute before the end of conference will be listed as “founding members” of the endowment. The committee will next seek contacts for corporate donors. Other constituencies will also be approached, including trustees and members of friends’ groups.

Finance
Chair Catherine Wilkinson announced that project grants are available. A .pdf version of the application is online at <http://www.nclaonline.org/GrantPagesForNCLA.html>.

Governmental Relations
Full report:
Chair Peggy Hoon reported on plans for National Library Legislative Day in Washington, D.C., on April 30 and May 1, 2001. Representative Walter Jones is sponsoring a brunch for NCLA. Bookmark bouquets comprised of bookmarks from libraries all across the state will be presented to each office.

Intellectual Freedom
Chair Jerry Trasher led a lengthy discussion concerning bills pending in the North Carolina Legislature concerning Internet filtering. The status of the bills is changing rapidly. Attorney Ken Eudy has proposed registering as a lobbyist for NCLA to oppose the bills. An update at the conference may be presented.

Leadership Institute
Teresa McManus thanked all those who mentored the participants in the 2001 Leadership Institute. Several participants attended the board meeting to express thanks and present the vision statement which emerged from the Institute.

Literacy
Full report:
Conference plans include three sessions, one of which will be a luncheon. All literacy-sponsored events will be held on the same day and members of literacy organizations will be encouraged to attend the conference on that day.

Membership
Full report:
<http://www.mindspring.com/~ncla/april2001/Membership.htm>
Chair Peggy Quinn presented the new tabletop display for NCLA. Maureen Costello will handle reservations and shipping. The updated membership brochure will be ready in about a week. Nominations are sought for the NCLA Life Membership, Honorary Membership, and Distinguished Library Service Awards.

Nominating
Chair Dave Ferguson reported that the ballot is set. Biographical information for candidates will be in next issue of North Carolina Libraries.

Publications and Marketing
No report.

Scholarships
Chair Gerald Holmes reported that May 15 is the deadline for

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scholarship and loan applications. Eight applications have been received so far. Scholarship information is at <http://www.mindspring.com/~ncla/scholarships/schoregs.htm>.

Other Reports

North Carolina Libraries
Full report
Al Jones reported that the next issue will be sent in May. Edited by Margaret Foote, the issue has library research as its theme. Suzanne Wise will guest edit the following issue on sports. After these are published, the journal will move away from the theme issue format. Instead, each section and roundtable will be asked to submit one article per biennium. North Carolina Books and Lagniappe columns will continue, as well as the president’s column and the NCLA Board minutes.

ALA Councilor
No report.

SELA Councilor
John Via reported on the Southeastern Leadership Conference in Atlanta. The next conference will be held in Charleston in conjunction with the South Carolina Library Association on October 23-25, 2002. The African American Issues Roundtable has been established. The Southeastern Librarian continues to be published in paper. Frank Allen, from the University of Central Florida, is editor. John Via is chairing a committee to look at the SELA dues structure.

Old Business
A lengthy discussion was held concerning a deficit in the NCASL sub-account. The expenditures for the conference held prior to the section officers’ resignations exceeded revenues.

Treasurer Diane Kester will continue to review the account and report again at the next board meeting. Teresa McManus introduced the following motion: the Finance Committee should study the issue of sections and round tables exceeding the expenditure of funds in their sub-accounts and return recommendations to the NCLA Executive Board. The motion was seconded by Phil Barton and passed unanimously.

In response to a question concerning renewal forms, it was noted that bulk mail is not being delivered on time. Maureen Costello will re-send renewals. The membership expiration date appears on all labels generated by the Administrative Office.

New Business
Ken Eudy, a political activist, former executive director of the Democratic Party, and Capitol Strategies president, has offered to serve as a registered lobbyist for NCLA on a pro bono basis to provide input on Internet filtering bills currently before the North Carolina General Assembly. Ross Holt introduced a motion the Ken Eudy be asked to register as a lobbyist for NCLA for the purpose of input on S 987 and S 1032. Carol Freeman seconded. Following discussion, the motion was amended to read: NCLA will engage Ken Eudy on a pro bono basis to register as a lobbyist to address NCLA’s concerns about Internet filtering bills currently before the legislature. Mr. Eudy is to report developments to President Al Jones.

State Library and State Library Commission
No report.

The meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

— Respectfully submitted,

Sue Ann Cody
Secretary