

NCLA Executive Board meeting  
July 20 2007

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4 Present: Frannie Ashburn, Robert Burgin, Pauletta Bracy, Wanda Brown, Kevin  
5 Cherry, Anne Coleman, Bryna Coonin, Dale Cousins, Beth Cramer, Angela Davis,  
6 Catherine Edwards-Spratley, Anne Marie Elkins, Jonathan Farlow, John Harer,  
7 Mary Hatcher, Loree Kelly, Diane Kester, Margot Malachowski, Betty Meehan-  
8 Black, Susan Neilson, Gloria Nelson, Kim Parrott, Jennifer Pratt, Peggy Quinn,  
9 Sherwin Rice, Dale Sauter, Ralph Scott, Patrick Valentine, Caroline Walters, Bobby  
10 Wynn, JamaneYeagar

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12 President Robert Burgin called the meeting to order at 10:02 am. A correction to  
13 the minutes of the April meeting – Frannie Ashburn added to the list of attendees.  
14 Pauletta Bracy moved that the minutes be accepted as corrected. Betty Meehan-  
15 Black seconded the motion and the minutes were approved.

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17 **President's Report**

18 President Burgin reported that membership stands at 1530 members – 70 more  
19 needed to reach the goal, which should happen by the conference. He  
20 commended Youth Service, Government Resources, NCPL Trustee section, the  
21 New Members Roundtable and Reference & Adult Services sections for their  
22 increase in members. The Literacy Roundtable increased membership by 24%.

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24 Fiscal vitality, membership and conference – please push

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26 The survey, Goal #3 is done – looking at non members and why they don't join.

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28 President Burgin expressed that he is pleased that folks are doing what's necessary  
29 for smooth meetings, i.e. submitting 2 copies of reports, etc. and he is proud of  
30 the hard work by the Board.

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32 **Treasurer's report** – The report is on the web. Money market account to credit  
33 union

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35 If checks are needed for the conference, let Diane know so they will be ready at  
36 the conference. Mileage paid at state rate of 48.5 cents per mile – use  
37 reimbursement form and turn in at the conference.

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39 **Intellectual freedom** – The report is on the web.

40 The Intellectual Freedom award is to be revitalized and a vendor is being sought.

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42 **BLINC** - Susan Neilson – The report is on the web. BLINC met at ASU and  
43 had 4 new attendees. Pre conference will be Demystifying business librarianship.

44 They will not meet in August but will concentrate on the conference – 6 programs  
45 are planned.

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47 **Paraprofessional Association** – Angela Davis – Four (4) programs are planned for  
48 the conference including luncheon. The section is looking for a new vice  
49 president. Angela brought 2 motions to the Board for approval: (1) To open the  
50 lifetime membership award to all library workers, regardless of whether they have  
51 an MLS/MLIS degree or not – Caroline said that motion 1 clarifies the lifetime  
52 membership award and discussion followed. Motion 1 was withdrawn and Kevin  
53 Cherry made the following motion instead: I move that there be a “sense of the  
54 Board” resolution interpreting the NCLA Lifetime Membership Award to be open  
55 to all library workers, including those with the professional degree, as well as  
56 other library workers and this resolution be included in the appropriate section of  
57 the NCLA handbook”. The motion was seconded by Phil Barton and approved.

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59 (2) To create a Distinguished Service award for library workers who do not hold a  
60 MLS/MLIS degree. Discussion followed as to whether to have one award or 2.  
61 Motion 2 was withdrawn because it needs to go to the Constitution committee  
62 and membership committee.

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64 Beth suggested that the Paraprofessional Association may want to do a section/  
65 roundtable award. Caroline noted that more than 1 distinguished service award  
66 can be given.

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68 **LAMS** -Peggy Quinn - The report is on the web. LAMS met in February –  
69 planning conference programs. The pre-conference is on strategic planning using  
70 ballot score card, competitive environment facing libraries and multiple  
71 generations.

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73 **Literacy Round Table** – 2 conference programs are planned and a literacy award  
74 will be presented. September 7 is the deadline for award nominations.

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76 **NCASL** - Catherine Edwards-Spratley – NCASL is planning a workshop on  
77 intellectual freedom; is forming a committee which will meet in August.

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79 **Trustees** – Mary Hatcher - new members have been added to the section.

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81 **PLS** – Lynn Thompson – The report is not on web yet. PLS held a meeting in May  
82 to finalize conference plans. They are excited about *Unshelved* creators; Native  
83 American genealogy; downloadable audio, etc.

84 Thanks to Mary McAfee, John Hart will be the luncheon speaker where the  
85 Roberts Award will be given. Nominations are being accepted until August 31. A  
86 new brochure is planned for the conference. The section will present 2 by-laws  
87 changes for the PLS membership to allow electronic voting and to clarify  
88 procedure for nominating person to the certification commission.

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90 **New members** – Margot Malachowski – 3 conference events are planned: a  
91 reception on pre-conference day; orientation on Wednesday; a session on finding  
92 your footing for new library hires on Thursday.  
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94 President Burgin noted that when a section/round table reaches 350 members,  
95 they get a 2<sup>nd</sup> vote on Executive Board.  
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97 **Resources and Technical Services Section** - Beth Cramer – The report is on the  
98 web.  
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100 **REMCo** – The report is on the web.  
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102 **Special collections** – Dale Sauter – The report is on the web.  
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104 **Round Table on the Status of women** - The report is on the web.  
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106 **Youth Services** – Loree Kelly – The report is on the web. The section met May  
107 21 to finalize the conference programs – a teen pre-conference on YA literature  
108 and teen tech issues is planned.  
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110 **Committees**  
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112 **Conference** - Phil Barton – Frannie and Kevin have been very helpful and the  
113 conference is looking good. Phil is sure that the goals will be met.  
114 President’s endowment dinner will be held at the Country Club – Kevin described  
115 the program and public television will be filming the troupe to be shown in  
116 conjunction with the Ken Burns WW2 broadcast. Frannie distributed program  
117 requirement forms.  
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119 There are a variety of programs at each session – lots of options  
120 Sponsors for major events still not all finalized.  
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122 Any section/ round table which has a speaker should have a NCLA contract; All  
123 conference contracts must be signed by President Burgin and if the speaker is to be  
124 paid, Kim must have a copy of contract and check order goes to Diane; If person  
125 has own contract, please make sure that you know what you’re signing.  
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127 **Publications/marketing** - Phil reported for Suzanne White – hotel rates for the  
128 conference are from 2005.  
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130 **Constitution** – Bobby Wynn submitted a revised Refund policy with 2 changes –  
131 exact percentage taken out. Mary Hatcher made a motion that the revised refund

132 policy be approved, Catherine Edwards-Spratley seconded and the motion was  
133 approved.

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135 **RASS** - Jonathan Farlow – George Goodall is still set for the conference; Recorded  
136 Books has reneged on the deal; RASS is co-sponsoring consumer health portals  
137 and Unshelved with PLS.

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139 **Continuing Education** – no report

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141 **Endowment** – The next event will be at the conference; the raffle will be held  
142 again; everyone is encouraged to attend the President’s endowment dinner.

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144 Bryna made a motion – that NCLA make a contribution to the endowment in  
145 memory of Larry Leon Hamlin – Phil suggested \$100 – the motion passed.

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147 **Finance** - Wanda Brown – The report is on the web.

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149 **Financial vitality** – no report.

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151 **Membership** – Caroline Walters – The report is on the web. The committee is  
152 looking for graphic design help; the joint student membership is going well - over  
153 200 of which 89 were paid by NCLA.

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155 The State Library will fund conference fee for students – 30 scholarships are  
156 available.

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158 The survey is complete and prizes have been awarded. The committee will try to  
159 track those who were not members but won a prize (to determine if they join); a  
160 poster at the conference will display information about the survey.

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162 Coffee mugs for new members thru project grant and buttons “ask me about  
163 NCLA” will also be available.

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165 **Nominating committee** - The report is on the web. Pauletta thanked those  
166 who ran and those who won for their commitment to NCLA.

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168 **Operations** – The report is on the web. Dale reminded members that Kim’s  
169 anniversary is approaching and her evaluation needs to be done. Please send Dale  
170 any information helpful to her evaluation of Kim.

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172 **Pay equity** – The pay equity survey was reviewed.

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174 **Public policy** – National legislative day – Painter and Valentine went to DC;  
175 Melanie will come to the conference to talk about how to work for library

176 legislation. The resolution on immigrants was reviewed – passed by ALA; added  
177 ethnicity to second to last paragraph; the resolution passed.

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179 Bao will be stepping down as web administrator soon; if you are interested or  
180 know someone, contact Phil Barton.

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182 **NC Libraries** – Ralph Scott – The report is on the web.

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184 **ALA Councilor** – The report is on the web. Kevin presented 2 resolutions –  
185 Skills act and National security letters (NSL). He explained that school librarians  
186 are being marginalized – SKILLS act treats librarians as teachers rather than as  
187 support staff – this resolution addresses the issue at the federal level not at the  
188 state level. The Resolution passed.

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190 NSL are not tied to legislation but are used for personnel records, business records,  
191 etc. A gag order prevents the receiver from talking about it. Kevin reviewed the  
192 main points of the resolution and it was passed.

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194 **State Library** – The renovation is complete; LSTA advisory board has 3 new  
195 members; the administrative code is being update and changes should be in effect  
196 by Oct 1.

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198 **Old Business**

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200 **Social networking** ad hoc committee – Kevin reported that the committee was  
201 asked not to meet yet - while current legislation is still being formulated – the  
202 wording is so broad that almost any website could be defined as a social  
203 networking site. Mary met with Attorneys General and they may reconsider the  
204 legislation.

205 **New Business**

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207 **NCLA awards** – The membership committee is responsible for choosing winners;  
208 none of the nominees were eligible for honorary membership; There was  
209 discussion about the nominees and Caroline reviewed the salient points of each  
210 person’s nomination.

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212 Caroline – presented the following names for NCLA awards: Richard Wells for  
213 lifetime membership – approved; Prof. Elizabeth H. Smith for lifetime membership  
214 – approved; Frances Bryant Bradburn for distinguished service award; A point of  
215 order – question of whether Frances is still a member (the answer is yes) -  
216 approved; Paula P. Hinton (deceased) –for distinguished service award –  
217 approved. Carolina noted that all nominees are NCLA members.

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219 **ALA Emerging Leaders** – President Burgin moved that NCLA provide \$1000 to all  
220 members who are accepted by ALA. Diane seconded the motion and it was  
221 approved

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223 The State library has asked NCLA to serve as fiscal agent for Spanish language  
224 outreach – NCLA receives a small administrative fee for being the fiscal agent.

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226 Caroline reported that she went to ALA conference for the first time and attended  
227 the chapter relations orientation. She got lots of cool ideas that the Membership  
228 Committee will develop. She suggested that NCLA pay for the person to go to  
229 this orientation in the future. Kevin is president of the chapter relations  
230 committee; ALA will have a pre-conference where each state chapter is  
231 encouraged to send a person and they will not have to pay conference  
232 registration.

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234 President Burgin announced that Kevin has been asked to join ALA Advocacy  
235 Coordinating group. Kevin indicated that more input from grass roots is needed.

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237 Please get committee appointments to Phil if you are interested in serving on any  
238 NCLA committees.

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240 Phil also suggested having a strategic planning meeting of the Executive Board  
241 during the conference of old Board members and new Board members.

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243 The next meeting will be Tuesday Oct 16 at the conference.

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245 The meeting was adjourned at 2:20pm.

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