NCLA Roundtable for Ethnic Minority Concerns' Report January 24, 2008

REMCo was very active and productive during the 2007 Biennial Conference. We sponsored/co-sponsored the following programs:

- * REMCO Luncheon featuring Jaki Shelton Green
- * Promoting Healthy Lifestyles in Minority Communities featuring Nooma Monika Rhue with the Government Resources Section
- *Black Caucus NC Chapter Interest Meeting
- *Ask a Reformista: Latinos & Libraries with the Carolina Chapter of REFORMA.

At the luncheon, we presented the following 2007 REMCo awards:

- *Roadbuilders Award in Academic Librarianship to Bao-Chu Chang
- *Roadbuilders Award in Public Librarianship to Vanessa Work Ramseur
- *Roadbuilders Award in Library Education to Dr. Irene Owens
- *Student Writing Contest Award to Kynita Stringer-Stanback.

On January 17, 2008, we held a telephone-conference meeting of the REMCo Executive Board. We appointed an editor for our newsletter, Tamika McCullougth, and made plans to publish the next edition in March/April 2008. We designated chairs for our standing committees, such as Programs, Membership, and Elections. We also discussed our goals for this year.

In 2008, some of the issues we will be focusing on are (1) increasing the membership, (2) sponsoring a revenue-generating workshop, (3) soliciting corporate sponsors, (4) participating in career fairs to promote libraries and librarianship, and (5) deciding whether REMCo will become a chapter or an affiliate of the Black Caucus of the American Library Association.

We plan to have another telephone-conference meeting in February 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

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