Oklahoma Chapter - Association of College & Research Libraries
January 9, 1998
Edmon Low Library, Oklahoma State University

Minutes

Attendees: Thomas Thorisch, President-Elect
Steve Locy, Past President
Rhonda Harris Taylor, President
Melissa Cast, Secretary
Charles Brooks, UCD/OLA
Anne Prestamo
Susan Hahn, OBIC Chair

Absent: Laura Bottoms, Treasurer
Bob Patterson

Previous Minutes: Correction was made to Thomas Thorisch title as President-Elect not President. Minutes approved with correction.

Treasurer's Report: None

Newsletter: Thorisch reported that the newsletter went out at the end of December. It was short due to problems with the e-mail request for information.

Anne Prestamo will take over the newsletter as the editor must be a board member and Thorisch is now President-Elect. Steve Locy will assist her.

OBIC Report: None

Board Member Vacancies: Bob Patterson is retiring and Thomas Thorisch is now President-Elect so two new board members need to be appointed. Both Patterson and Thorisch had one year left on their terms. Harris Taylor will ask Mary Evans to finish Patterson's term. Thorisch will contact some possible candidates for the second vacancy.

Fall Conference: Discussed possible themes. Two were mentioned: distance education and outsourcing. Brooks reported that UCD/OLA will be doing distance education at the OLA Conference. Phil Moss will speak on the future of distance education in Oklahoma. Also, there will be two panel discussions. One on distance education in Oklahoma and the other on the Western Governor's Project. Prestamo suggested a subtopic of distance education to be on who's students are we serving. Harris Taylor suggested we do some reading on the subjects and discuss them over e-mail. We should also consider possible formats. Date and location will be discussed later.

ACRL funded Paraprofessional Award Final Report: Report was approved for submission to ACRL.

Appreciation to former board members: Locy will put together certificates of appreciation together for Bob Patterson, Victoria Swinney, Mary Evans and Beverly Jones.
UCD/LA-OK-ACRL Chapter Relations: The taskforce meet and made a report in the Fall. Since Bob Patterson is retiring things are at a standstill. It was noted that National ACRL is discussing at Midwinter requiring state chapters to either incorporate or to join with the state's ALA affiliated library association.

Other Business: Locy is still working on renting a message board to sponsor at the OLA Conference to be held in Tulsa April 29 - May 2.

Web Page - Locy will continue working on the OK-ACRL web page and Prestamo will help. It lists the officers, past minutes and hopefully someday the bylaws. It could also contain a state library directory.

Future meetings: The next meeting will be February 13, 1997, 1:00pm, Edmon Low Library, Conference Room, Oklahoma State University Library.

The March meeting will be on the 6th at 1:00pm, Edmon Low Library, Conference Room, Oklahoma State University.

Respectfully submitted,
Melissa Cast, Secretary