

Oklahoma Chapter-ACRL
February 13, 1998
Edmon Low Library, OSU, Stillwater

Minutes

Present: Rhonda Harris Taylor, President
Steve Locy, Past President
Susan Hahn, OBIC Chair
Laura Bottoms, Treasurer
Melissa Cast, Secretary
Thomas Thorisch, President-elect
Mary Evans, Board
Anne Prestamo, Board
Don Gilstrap, Board

Minutes: Approved

Treasurer's report: Beginning balance \$2,750.17
Deposits 30.00
Expenditures 127.13
Balance, 2-10-98 \$2,653.04

Newsletter: In progress. Locy and Prestamo received the disks from Thorisch and Cast. New membership forms will be sent with the next newsletter. The treasurer will continue to make up the mailing labels.

OBIC: The next meeting will be Feb. 27th in Stillwater. Dan Chaney will be the presenter. Hahn will send a reminder on the OK-ACRL list.

Appreciation for former board members: The text for the certificate is done. Locy is still looking for paper for the certificates.

ACRL/Paraprofessional Award: The report is done. It and the receipts will be sent to National ACRL for reimbursement.

OLA Conference: Locy has contacted OLA about our sponsoring a message board. He is waiting for a response. If we don't sponsor a message board, it was agreed that we won't have a table at the conference.

Website: A working page is up. We are looking for an electronic form of the by-laws. If one isn't found, Locy will try scanning a hard copy or having a grad student retype it in electronic format.

UCD/OLA-OK-ACRL Chapter Relations - Status of the group is unknown. At the last UCD/OLA meeting, the program they are sponsoring at the OLA conference was discussed. The topic is distance education. There will be three talks: the future of distance education; what's happening in Oklahoma; Western Governor's Project.

Fall Conference: The discussion focused on distance education as the topic. Several issues and possible speakers were discussed.

There are some librarians who contribute to the distance education listserv who could be contacted to speak.

The Western Governor's Project has picked the University of New Mexico's library as the central library. UNM Library has contracted with OCLC for services. Other institutions may apply to be part of the WG this Spring and may be offering classes in the Fall. A WG representative might be a possible speaker. Florida and California also have systems similar to WG.

Some possible ways of focusing the topic were also discussed. Suggestions included -who do we serve

-how do we serve them (ILL, Reference, BI, staffing, etc.)

Perhaps we could keep the afternoon break out sessions open in topic and let the facilitators take the topics in what direction they will.

Another suggestion was to look at the distance education and what they do. It was noted that they are mostly technical assistance. They usually route reference questions to a subject librarian. We could also look at how distance education could change the job description of other librarians.

There's a draft of the newly revised ACRL guidelines for distance education. The author, Harry Gover, might be a possible speaker.

A panel of distance education students could discuss their concerns. What about faculty and their concerns?

A possible order for the morning included having people for 4 groups a nonlibrary campus administrator, a faculty member teaching a distance education class, a student and a librarian (maybe a distance education librarian - Vicki York from Montana State or someone from ECLSS, Extended Campus Library Services Section of ACRL). The student and faculty member could be local to Oklahoma and the administrator and librarian could be from out of state. In the afternoon, we would go to break out sections and then rejoin as a whole group to report the discussions.

Meeting time: If in November, we need to avoid the Amigos weekend.

Locations: Possibilities include Rose State, UCO, OSU-OKC, Oklahoma City Community College. There might not be a few is the institution's library sponsors it.

Next meeting: March 6, 1:00pm at OSU Edmon Low Library, Conference Room.

Respectfully submitted,
Melissa Cast