

Hearings Held on Standards Revision

ACRL members discussed the revision of the 1959 *Standards for College Libraries* during the Midwinter Meeting of ALA in Chicago, January 20-25.

During its first six months the revision committee, chaired by Johnnie Givens, Austin Peay State University, Clarksville, Tennessee, has studied typologies currently being used to classify colleges and universities in the United States. Typologies developed by the Office of Education (the Federal Interagency Committee on Education), the American Council on Education, the Carnegie Commission on Higher Education, the Academy for Educational Development, and James Cass and Max Bernbaum (*Selectivity Index of Colleges and Universities*) have been compared by the committee. The committee intends to select the most useful typology available in order to define the college as an institution separate and distinct from the two-year college, the community college, and the university. The committee expects to select its typology on the basis of a classification of homogeneous groupings which have characteristics that are easily identified and defensible.

A background paper on typologies, prepared by James Pirie and David Perkins, a paper on elements presently found in existing standards,

prepared by Herman Totten, and a review of library standards used in other countries, by David Kaser, also were discussed with the membership. Sets of these papers can be obtained by writing Beverly P. Lynch, Executive Secretary, ACRL, 50 E. Huron St., Chicago, IL 60611. Hearings on later working papers will be held July 10 and 11 during the annual meeting of the American Library Association in New York. ■■

DOUGHERTY RESIGNS AS CRL EDITOR

Richard M. Dougherty, editor since 1969 of *College & Research Libraries*, a publication of the Association of College and Research Libraries, has asked to be relieved of the editorship effective July 1974. The Board of Directors of ACRL has accepted Dr. Dougherty's resignation with deep regret.

The search for a new editor is being conducted by the ACRL Publications Committee. Applications and recommendations should be sent to Dr. Fred Blum, CRL Editor Search Coordinator, Room 205, Mullen Library, The Catholic University of America, Washington, DC 20017. ■■

ACRL Board Action at Midwinter

The Board of Directors of the Association of College and Research Libraries took the following actions during its two Midwinter Meetings, held in Chicago on January 21 and 24, 1974.

Unanimously VOTED to support the dues schedule presented by the American Association of School Librarians, which would have lowered the dues for membership in ALA and ACRL to \$35. (The proposal subsequently was not approved by the ALA Council. See story elsewhere in this issue.)

Unanimously APPROVED a resolution giving division presidents a seat on the ALA Council. (The resolution was subsequently defeated by Council.)

Agreed to SUPPORT for election to ALA Council the following ACRL Board and committee members: Norman E. Tanis, H. William Axford, Russell Shank, George S. Bobinski, C. James Schmidt, and Jasper G. Schad.

ACCEPTED with deep regret the resignation ef-

fective July 1974 of the editor of *College & Research Libraries*, Richard M. Dougherty.

APPROVED a plan presented by *Choice* and CRL under which the advertising for CRL will be handled by the *Choice* office beginning with the 1974/75 fiscal year.

APPROVED a plan to move the *Choice* subscription files from ALA headquarters in Chicago to the *Choice* office in Middletown, Connecticut.

ACCEPTED with pleasure and on behalf of the ACRL membership an invitation from Eugene P. Kennedy, director of libraries at New York University, to all ACRL members to attend a reception at the Bobst Library at New York University on Wednesday, July 10, 1974, during the ALA Annual Conference.

VOTED to endorse the statement on "Security of Employment in Libraries" (*American Libraries*, December 1973, p.678-79) as amended and to endorse the statement on "ALA Equal Employment Opportunity Pol-

- icy" (*CRLN*, Nov. 1973) with the implementation sections removed.
- VOTED, upon the recommendation of the ACRL Committee on Academic Status, to recommend a formal evaluation of the ALA Staff Committee on Mediation, Arbitration and Inquiry, with a view to assessing its direct and indirect costs; reviewing its charge, policies, and procedures; determining its effectiveness; recommending such changes in the Program of Action for Mediation, Arbitration and Inquiry as may be deemed desirable or necessary; and recommending reports to ALA Council on the Program of Action at regular specified intervals.
- VOTED to request from SCMAI a clarification of certain language in the SCMAI report on J. Michael McConnell.
- DIRECTED the ACRL Committee on Academic Status to develop an instrument for gathering and publicizing salary information for academic librarians that will be made available annually in *College & Research Libraries News*.
- APPROVED the establishment of another ACRL chapter, the Association of College and Research Libraries of the Illinois Library Association.
- VOTED to accept the report of the ACRL Planning Committee in which the committee recommended "in the strongest possible terms that the Board convey to the ALA Committee on Planning the following message: ACRL firmly believes that success in all of the programs reflected in [the ALA committee's] draft of a goal statement will be dependent upon implementation through the divisions, *not* ALA headquarters."
- AGREED to support the grant proposal presented by the ACRL Committee on Standards and Accreditation to fund Phase II of the revision of the 1959 *Standards for College Libraries*.
- FORWARDED to the ACRL Committee on Standards and Accreditation the tentative statement "Commitment to Reference Services," developed by the RASD Standards Committee, and the 1966 *Statement of Service to Library Users*, approved by the ACRL Board at the 1966 Midwinter Meeting, with the strong recommendation that the committee consider both in the light of the necessity of developing guidelines or standards for performance measurement with respect to the effective allocation of library resources.
- VOTED to change the ACRL Ad Hoc Committee on Bibliographic Instruction to a Task Force on Bibliographic Instruction, to increase its membership to eight, and to revise and expand its charge.
- AGREED that the members of the advisory committee for the Black Internship project be drawn from the membership of the committee which drew up the proposal.
- ACCEPTED the report of the ACRL Committee on Legislation regarding the draft report of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science and a proposed draft of an ALA legislative policy.
- VOTED to assign a definite term of appointment, two to three years, to all ACRL committees and/or task forces, with renewal dependent upon a positive performance evaluation of the committee by the ACRL Planning Committee.
- DIRECTED the chairman of the ACRL Committee on Appointments and Nominations to contact in writing the chairmen of ACRL committees concerning appointments and re-appointments to those committees.
- APPROVED program plans for two ACRL pre-conferences prior to the San Francisco Annual Conference in 1975: one sponsored by the ACRL Committee on Academic Status, on the governance of the academic library, and one sponsored by the ACRL Rare Books and Manuscripts Section, on eighteenth-century bibliography.
- APPROVED as policy the statements on "Reproduction of Manuscripts and Archives for Noncommercial Purposes" and "Access to Original Research Materials in Libraries, Archives, and Manuscript Repositories" (*CRLN*, Sept. 1973).
- SUPPORTED a resolution, sponsored by the Committee on Manuscripts Collections of the Rare Books and Manuscripts Section, which favors the changing of tax laws to allow tax deductions for self-created works of art.
- APPROVED a proposal of the Rare Books and Manuscripts Section to display at the 1976 Annual Conference in Chicago an exhibit of original archival materials dealing with the Bicentennial.
- ACCEPTED the report of the ALA Ad Hoc Committee on the Depository Library System as presented and approved by the ACRL Law and Political Science Section and voted to request that the section be represented on the committee.
- VOTED to invite a group of Japanese junior college librarians to attend the 1974 Annual Conference in New York and recommended that the ACRL Community and Junior College Libraries Section serve as host to the group.
- AGREED to undertake an evaluation of the performance of the ACRL Executive Secretary.
- VOTED to encourage Charles E. Hale, doctoral student at the Graduate Library School at Indiana University, to write a history of ACRL. ■■