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HIGHLIGHTS

BOARD

1 Support Committee to prepare and inter, documentation on a number of L. Knight bequest (\$9,166 received in

lete from the Operating Agreement ead costs at 1981 levels. (NOTE: The defeated; and Council approved the

as amended and authorized inclusion notes to be published before the Mid-\$500 for printing a new membership presented; and authorized the executive's expenses.

Gerhardt, on the board's behalf, for encourage the ALSC members to ap-

to direct that all funds donated to r Charlemae Rollins, a past president y in a trust fund (the board intends to or the purpose of enhancing the qual- the division's major ALA conference the future, bear the designation: The rogram. A small portion of the funds m which—in addition to containing le a photograph and brief biography of her contributions to children's li- ecutive director, as a memorial to its e Rollins, to transfer \$500 from divi- previously received donations, in the stablishment and purpose of the Rol- e Rollins family, to all donors, and to nbers and friends be encouraged to future.

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TOP OF THE NEWS

- Approved an ALSC *Committee Chairs Handbook* for distribution and use; accepted a revised Recording Evaluation Committee form; and approved revision of Arbuthnot Honor Lecture procedures.
- Supported the concept of reconstitution of the membership of the U.S. National Section of IBBY, pending specific agreements relative to the division of the fiscal and task responsibilities.
- Asked ALA Standards Committee member Phillis Wilson to request the committee accept the board's request that the ALA standards proposal be withdrawn and reconsidered by the ALA Standards Committee. (NOTE: The request was made; the committee response was negative; the proposal was approved by Council.)
- Expressed grateful appreciation to Audrey Eaglen for her superb term as editor of *Top of the News*.
- Approved the concept of and authorized the president to establish a budget for a storytelling preconference, including a storytelling concert, at the 1983 Los Angeles Annual Conference, and approved cosponsorship of the ALA/IFC program in Los Angeles.
- Approved a proposal for publication of a retrospective films, filmstrips, and recordings list; a proposal for publication of an annual brochure or booklet that includes the notable children's films, filmstrips, and recordings; and a proposal for updating the Arbuthnot Honor Lecture brochure.
- Authorized the president to appoint a board task force to study the methodology of formalizing communication between the president, executive director, and the ALSC Board between conferences so that it will happen on a quarterly basis.
- Accepted the Newbery/Caldecott Celebration Evaluation Task Force recommendations:

(1) That, in all planning, the dignity and significance of the awards are paramount; (2) that the banquet format be considered the basic format in the Newbery-Caldecott celebration; (3) that the president (president for the Newbery-Caldecott celebration, i.e., vice-president) may recommend another type of celebration, if a local site suggests that another type of celebration would be appropriate; (4) that the announcement section of the conference program and all other publicity stress that seating is available for those who wish to attend the presentation only; (5) that an explanation of the costs of the event be given to the ALSC membership; (6) that the head table be kept pertinent; (7) that preliminary matters be kept pertinent and related to the awards rather than to other ALSC or ALA business; (8) that attempts be made to keep the preliminary party small in order to cut overhead costs; (9) that short reception lines, separate for each award, be maintained; (10) that written guidelines—indicating procedures, responsibilities, and authorities of the local committee, the president (vice-president), and the executive director—be developed for the guidance of those planning the Newbery-Caldecott event; (11) that the ALSC Board consider having another social gathering occasionally (because of the success of the celebration as a party this year) on a smaller scale.

- Authorized the ALSC president to appoint a special committee to reevaluate the ALSC *Notable Children's Books 1976-1980* for the purpose of including the titles which continue to be notable and other notable titles that may have been overlooked in a publication that would combine these titles in a single bibliography with the previous *Notable Children's Books 1940-1970* and *1971-1975*.

THE ALSC MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Approximately 700 people attended the ALSC membership meeting in Phila-

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