

MIDWINTER MEETING

OLSD ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Subcommittee on Library Service
for American Indian People
January 10, 1979, 11:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M.
Sheraton Park Hotel, Adams Room
Washington, D.C.

SECOND SESSION

Present: Virginia H. Mathews, Chairperson, Mary Huffer, Cheryl Metoyer-Duran, James H. May, Charles Townley, Ellen C. Shimizu, Mary Huffer.

Absent: Bob D. Carmack, Lotsee Smith, Earl Shumaker.

Guests: Judith R. Smolin, Norma Richey McCallan, Gail Schlachter, Tom Shonebind, Judith Bernstein, David McDonald.

Staff: Jean E. Coleman, Lois Ann Gregory

Review of sites for OLSD Indian Committee Technical Assistance project - Chicago, IL; Denver, CO; Flagstaff, AZ.

Further discussion on planning for Indian Committee program at the ALA Conference in Dallas, Texas. A decision was made to invite the Indian delegates elected to attend the White Conference as primary speakers. This would be part of the implementation stage of the Pre-White House Conference. The funds for transportation may be provided by the B.I.A. through Mrs. Mary Huffer's office in the Department of the Interior. The program will also provide an opportunity for reports regarding the Technical Assistance Project.

RESOLUTIONS

The Committee reviewed the ten resolutions which were adopted at the Pre-White House Conference in order to determine if the ALA Committee could assist in any followup activities to help implement the resolutions. Ellen C. Shimizu was asked, since materials are her interest, to draft a letter, on behalf of the ALA/OLSD Committee regarding the need for depository status for Indian tribal government and reservation libraries to be task force committee conducting hearings on Title IV.

One of the primary tasks of the American Indian Library Association should be criteria and standards for Indian library service (Resolution #5). The OLSD Indian Committee should assist in coordinating the development of the Indian Library Association (using the ALA Indian Committee as a base).

Jim May was requested to chair a task force on implementation of Resolution #6 - Support for Indian Writing and Publication. It was suggested that May develop a planning grant, in the name of the OLSD Committee, to present to NEH. Ellen Shimizu may assist Jim on the task force. Mr. May will ask Lotsee Smith to join the task force.

The Committee acted on two resolutions.

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The discussion returned to the Indian Library Association. A meeting at the Dallas Conference was planned as an organizing meeting on Wednesday to utilize the presence of the Indian delegates to the WHC. Indians will be widely invited without BIA or ALA paying their expenses.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:30 P.M.