

Sunday, January 19, 1986
Social Responsibilities Round Table
Coretta Scott King Award Task Force
ALA Mid-Winter Meeting, Chicago Illinois
8pm, Montrose Room 3/Palmer House

Present: Mary Biblo, Betty Howard, Ginny Moore Kruse, Barbara Jones, Lucille C. Thomas, Carole J. McCollough, Henrietta M. Smith, Marva L. Deloach, and David Searcy

Meeting was called to order by Chair David Searcy. Each committee member introduced themselves. Only agenda items not covered Friday night was the New York breakfast and the Book Selection Committee Report. Press release for ALA Mid-Winter has been submitted to Cognotes. Dorothy Scott Jones will make press releases to library publications. There was discussion of a memorial to John Carroll, one of the founders of the CSK Award, who passed in October. Suggestion was given by Lucille Thomas---a five minute tribute by Mabel McKissick also one of the founders, stating John Carroll's role. Committee approved this suggestion. A question was raised by Mary Biblo about grace. Chair Searcy stated that this was discussed in the last meeting and that it was decided to have grace by a minister and that it be of a universal nature. Finances of the Task Force were discussed. The expenses of the awards and the breakfast are not decreasing. A fund raiser is needed.

PRICE OF TICKETS

There was discussion that the Chair of the task force, local arrangements chair, authors, illustrators, one editor and Mrs. Carroll be given complimentary tickets. Should we go over \$15, if we can't get a full breakfast for that amount? It was decided that we should check on the actual cost of a continental vs full breakfast and what each breakfast consisted of before making a final decision about keeping the meal at \$15. The committee felt that ALA'ers attending the conference in New York expected to pay more since New York is more expensive. The committee didnot, however, want to price the breakfast beyond the reach of those wishing to attend. Chair Searcy stated that we could not get the official cost until we were assigned a hotel site for the breakfast. This had not been done at the time of this meeting.

OTHER EXPENSES

Expenses include: placques (\$250 each), breakfasts for chairpersons and the afore mentioned guests, printing of tickets and programs, and mailings. Chair Searcy stated he was willing to pay for his own meal. The committee, however, felt that both the Task Force Chair and the Local Arrangements Chair gave a great deal of time and service and that their meals should be paid for. We are considereing using the

BOOK SELECTION COMMITTEE REPORT

Award recipients:

Virginia Hamilton author of The People Could Fly: American Black Folktales (Knopf); Jerry Pinkey, illustrator of Valerie Flourney's Patchwork Quilt (Dial).

Honor Books:

Mildred Pitts Walter author of Trouble's Child (Lothrop); Virginia Hamilton author of Junius Over Far (Harper); and Leo and Diane Dillon, illustrators, of the People Could Fly: Black American Folktales (Knopf).

Award committee guidelines were submitted by Henrietta Smith. Task force read and approved the guidelines. It was moved by Carole McCollugh and seconded by Mary Biblo.

Guidelines for Book Selection Committee Membership:

There will be 7 members on the committee including the chairperson of the committee. Task Force chair is automatically a member. The chair of the book selection committee is appointed by the chair of the Task Force. Two members will be appointed by the chair of the Task Force and two will be elected by the membership of the Task Force. Members may serve through two calendar years and may be re-elected or re-appointed for a second term. Appointments will be from January to January. No member may serve more than two consecutive terms regardless of method of coming to the committee, either by appointment or election. After a hiatus of one term a person may be re-elected or re-appointed to the Selection Committee.

Responsibilities:

Membership on the Book Selection Committee means acceptance of the responsibility to review all books submitted as eligible for consideration. It also means being alert to uncover titles that may not have been submitted and share that information with other committee members.

To expedite decision making at the Mid-winter meeting, the committee members agree to respond in writing to the committee chair (co-chairs) on the dates listed on the working calendar or at the time the request is made by the chair.

The committee chair(s) will advise membership of dates when reports are due.

Committee chair(s) will be responsible for notifying all winners and honor winners of their selection. This notification shall be done in writing even when winners are called.

The committee chair(s) will send notes to all publishers who submitted material.

The committee chair(s) will work closely with the chair of the CSK Task Force in making arrangements for the award breakfast.

The committee chair(s) will write and submit annotations for ALA release.

FUND RAISING

Lucile Thomas suggested that committee members bring ideas for fund raising and strategies for implementation to the New York meeting. Committee agreed to do so.

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Jones
Secretary