The SRRT-Coretta Scott King Award Task Force Meeting was held on Wednesday, June 29, 1983, 2:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M., Santa Anita Room A, Bonaventure Hotel, Los Angeles, CA.

PRESENT: Effie Lee Morris, (Chair); David L. Searcy, (Recorder); Jean E. Coleman, (SRRT Staff Liaison); Margaret E. Poarch; Hermia M. Justice; Harriett B. Brown; Susie Flynt Shurney; Kathryn P. Carr; Joyce W. Mills; Henrietta M. Smith; Barbara T. Rollock; Ethel N. Ambrose; Mary Biblo; Mamie Grady; Doreitha R. Madden.

MINUTES

OPENING REMARKS
Mrs. Effie Lee Morris, chair, called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. She thanked Kathryn Carr and Hermia Justice for handling this year's local arrangements. Introductions were made by all in attendance.

A number of Task Force members commented on the success of the award breakfast. It was the opinion of many conferees that this year's breakfast was one of the highlights of the conference. Many of them were deeply moved by the acceptance speeches and slide presentation.

BREAKFAST REPORT AND EVALUATION
Kathryn Carr, chair of local arrangements, reported that the following number of tickets were sold this year:

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The amount of profit from the breakfast is not available at this time due to some outstanding expenses that have been paid.

Food for this year's event was appetizing and hot. Famous Amos provided sample cookies for everyone. The souvenirs were from Golden State Mutual Insurance Company. The bookmarks were done by Hermia Justice, co-chair of local arrangements, at her own expense. Morris and the Task Force thanked her.

This was the first year that tickets were given to the local arrangements committee. It was suggested that this practice be continued.
Jean Coleman reported that there was a problem with her office handling the advance registration tickets. She requested that the local arrangements committee sell all tickets, except for those handled by the ALA meal desk at the conference site.

Morris has not identified anyone in Dallas to handle local arrangements for the 1984 breakfast.

The following suggestions were offered for the handling of advance registration tickets:

1. one person from the ALA local arrangements committee in the conference city could handle the tickets
2. one member from the Task Force could handle the tickets
3. have conferees send a self-addressed stamped envelope along with their check
4. add 20¢ for postage to the cost of each ticket

Carr pointed out that it is important that one person know the number of tickets sold in order that the hotel could be notified with a guarantee.

BOOK SELECTION
Barbara Rollock, chair, stressed that timing and response from committee members are important to the work of this committee.

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PUBLICITY

Each committee member will prepare annotations for the publicity package to be sent to Peggy Barber's office (ALA PIO)

Lucille Thomas (New York) will coordinate the work between the Task Force and ALA PIO

The award will be announced during Black History Month (February)

Rollock will place an article in "Publishers Weekly"

PUBLISHERS

Contact Rollock for a list of award committee members

Correspondence was very good this year; Each committee member received copies of the books for review. Biblo requested that publishers send review copies early.

Editors are to be notified that they are expected to be present at the breakfast, and must purchase their own tickets.

Publishers made the decision not to transport the Honorable Mention recipients this year.
PLAGUES

Size must be reduced. A matter of cost.

SUB-COM. ON LIFETIME AWARD

Henrietta Smith, chair, gave a target date of 1985 to have the specifics worked out. The award will honor an author or illustrator for a body of work. The committee is seeking support from various corporations.

Coleman suggested that the name for the award be kept in the realm of children's literature.

Morris asked the committee to consider authors who are not writing books on the Black experience.

Coleman will send Smith information on ALA awards.

All suggestions from Task Force members for this award should be sent to Smith.

BUDGET

(Morris) The Task Force started the year with a zero balance. An advance of $1,000.00 was received from SRRT. This advance was a loan and needs to be repaid.

Coca Cola informed Coleman in March that they would no longer provide the plagues.

The Task Force does not have an immediate cash flow. SRRT will cover our expenses, but the money has to be repaid.

We are at present, not operating on a line by line budget.

Morris has been granted permission to borrow up to $2,500.00 from SRRT.

FUND RAISING

Mamie Grady, chair, read the committee report from a meeting held in Chicago. Short term goal: get current expenditures paid; long term goal: build up an endowment.

Morris charged the Fund Raising committee with the task of writing a formal proposal with a budget to be submitted to corporations, foundations, etc. She gave the committee an early August deadline for completion of the proposal.

Coleman suggested that a letter on intent, with a detailed budget, be written.
The seals are being held at Faxon. The approximate cost for reproduction is $1,700.00. The new seals were passed around for inspection by the Task Force members. It was noted that the silver was not antique silver as requested.

A policy, price and fact sheet for the seals must be developed. This must be done through the ALA Awards committee.

A committee (Madden, chair; Morris; Coleman; Rollock) was created to draft a policy for the seals by Midwinter. Coleman pointed out that the draft should go to the ALA Awards committee before Midwinter. The committee will work on the draft immediately.

Mrs. Susie Flynt Shurney requested that additional Task Force members be assigned to work with her on the Glyndon Flynt Greer Scholarship. Searcy and Mills were assigned to work with Mrs. Shurney.

All arrangements have been made with an introduction written by Morris. The publishers will underwrite the cost. A committee (Morris, Rollock, Madden) was created to discuss the price.

The Task Force does not have a release for Virginia Hamilton's acceptance speech. Coleman will send Ms. Hamilton a release form. Rollock has been approached by "Hornbook" to publish Ms. Hamilton's acceptance speech. It was the concern of some members that the Task Force retain the rights to the speech. Rollock will check with Ms. Hamilton on the release form and with "Hornbook" on the specifics of the contractual agreement. Morris will survey the Task Force members by phone on "Hornbook" publishing the speech.

Reminder: send Morris and Coleman a copy of all correspondences.