

Bill DeJohn, acting as chairman, asked for topics for discussion at the General Membership meeting on Wednesday afternoon.

90-Day
Amendment

Eric Moon said that the amendment could be defeated by a technicality, since the amendment had been changed in wording since its original form was presented to Council. He didn't think that this tactic would be as dramatic as speaking to issues during the meeting.

Filibuster

Moon further proposed that an effective act that should be considered is a filibuster ~~for~~ of the meeting, with the end purpose of getting more membership meetings, and perhaps even regional membership meetings, to encourage democratic participation in the ALA. No vote or support measure was introduced at this point, and the meeting continued, assuming agreement with this tactic.

Issues added

1. The stopping of ALA Midwinter meeting at Chicago was introduced. Bonn, of the Congress for Change, and Marwin Longton will speak to this subject on the floor. Later Robert Lezak and Tom Childers added their support and agreed to speak.
2. The restructure of the ALA Constitution was raised, but no one agreed to speak from the floor on this subject.
3. ALA to take a stand on the Vietnam War was introduced by Bill Hinchliff, who agreed to bring this to the floor at the membership meeting. Rinnie Feinberg and Christian Patterson later added their names as speakers on this subject.
4. From the petition circulated by members of the COC and New York Round Table, the issue of the reform of election procedures in ALA was raised. Betty Carol Sellen, Carol Forsman, and John Smith agreed to speak to the issue at the membership meeting.
5. A resolution opposing restrictive legislation and supporting dissident students was introduced by Fay Blake, who will raise this at the membership meeting. Eric Moon and Jackie Eubanks agreed to speak to this issue at the meeting, also.
6. The question of sanctions to be levied by the ALA will be introduced at the membership meeting by members of the JMRT. Fay Blake will speak to a resolution on this subject as well, and later, John Berry agreed to speak on the issue. Contributing to the discussion were Volkerz, of the ACRL Univ. Lib. Section ~~2x~~ subcommittee, Dick Rose O'Shannon, Eric Moon, and Dyson (Dyson's recommendation was that the resolution should avoid the form of a demand).

7. The question of a position on community control was raised by Kathy Weibel, noting statements of the Congress for Change and the New York Round Table. Bob Wright read the FRIDAY THE THIRTEENTH MANIFESTO that resulted from the institute on the urban poor at ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ Wayne State U. O'Shannon, Nideman of Ohio, Maseano of LJ, Bob Haro of UC Davis, and Marvin Longton, Miriam Braverman and Averfull from UCLA commended on the issues.

8. The question of proposing an opposition slate to all offices of ALA was raised. After discussion, it was decided not to raise this at the general membership meeting.

9. The propriety of priorities was brought up by Nina Ladoff, who said that perhaps we should concentrate on what we can accomplish now. Ducasch and Joan Goddard contributed to this discussion.

10. The idea of making a very simplified guide for the membership to help them understand the structure and procedures of ALA was proposed by Carol Forsman.

11. The issue of asking for more and regional membership meetings was raised as a topic for discussion to be brought to the general membership meeting if a filibuster was to proceed and to work. Jackie Eubanks raised this question, but no decision was asked for or resulted from discussion.

12. The revision of the dues structure was raised as an issue by Eric Moon. Two proposals were discussed: doubling the top two and halving the bottom two dues levels, and requiring a W-2 form on incom form librarianship as a part of ALA requirements/ Jerry Hall and Joe Lindenfeld spoke to this issue, and will speak on Wednesday at the meeting.

13. Recruitment of black and minority librarians was raised. Nina Ladoff, Bill Hinchliff, Joan Marshall, and Rachel (from COC) agreed to speak at the meeting on this issue.

14. The recommendation of charter flights, and other convention arrangements for the convenience and to save expense of librarians at official meetings was raised by Carol Forsman.

After these issues had been raised and discussed, Bill DeJohn asked for the people who volunteered their interest on projects to meet and discuss possible resolutions or procedure to be followed on the floor for each of these. On Monday evening, these librarians will either present their resolutions to the group, or will meet and will report on what procedure they think should be followed, on the floor discussion.

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