

ALA/SRRT/ACTION COUNCIL
MINUTES

June 26, 1984 - 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Present: Jean Goddard, San Jose Public Library; Richard Buck, Performing Arts Research Center; Karen Thorburn, Professional Librarian Assoc.; Nancy Gruber, Socialist Action (SF); Peter Kidder, Library of Congress; Dave Vespa, Department of Transportation; Mirian Crawford, Temple University; Barbara Levinson, Pine Bush School (NY); John Hostage, Harvard Law Library; Pat Case, Temple University; Elizabeth Morrisett, Montana Tech.; Linda Pierce, Xavier University (OH); Jean Coleman, ALA Staff Liaison to SRRT; Effie Lee Morris, Coretta Scott King Task Force; Vincent Jennings, Hofstra University; John Sheridan, Colorado College; Joe Storey, St. Mary's College of Maryland.

Introductions of all present were made.

Task Force on Alternatives in Print distributed copies of A Field Guide to Alternative Publications. Copies may be acquired for \$6.00 from Jean Coleman at ALA Office of Library Outreach Services.

Task Force on Labor Unions reported that its program on video display terminals' effects was attended by almost 80 people. The Task Force co-sponsored, with SORT, a program on political action.

Feminist Task Force reported that it continues to discuss the endorsement process.

Peace Information Exchange Task Force reported on its resolutions dealing with withdrawal from Latin America and with application with CAN (Citizens Against Nuclear war).

Membership Committee reported that next year blocks of booth time will be assigned to the Task Forces. 18 memberships and \$36 for buttons collected at booth as of this time. Suggestion for an historical SRRT exhibit in the booth. Membership forms are available at the Coretta Scott King Breakfast.

Washington meeting requests to be submitted to Dave Vesper.

A token of appreciation awarded to outgoing coordinator, Linda Pierce.

Incoming Action Council members, officers, committee chairs could benefit from orientation. Examples of what other ALA units are doing should be sent to Doris Kirshbaum.

Revitalization of SRRT membership meetings should be placed on Action Council agenda. Ideas include discussion with SRRT members of Council, Task Force reports, inviting other groups with social responsibility aims within other ALA units.

Intellectual Freedom Round Table reported its interest in being involved with the development of the social policy handbook discussed earlier.

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There is a concern that its publication not be mistaken for ALA policy. Effie Lee Morris stated that the book is planned to be useful to librarians in the field. There was agreement that channels of communication needed to be kept open.

The Coretta Scott King Breakfast Task Force reported that the attendance this year was 581. The award seals are ready for sale. David Searcy is the task force's new chair.

The Newsletter will print an abbreviated budget.

August 1st is the reimbursement deadline; budget requests for 85-86 due at Midwinter '85.

COPES continues to study the assessment of Round Tables for services.

The resolution dealing with members' being admitted to membership meetings will be introduced on Wednesday, June 27.

John Sheridan, Secretary