

A C R L/OREGON

Minutes of the Advisory Board

1984/85 Meeting # 2

November 30, 1984 U. of O.

Present: Abshire, Chmelir, Hamilton, F. Powell, N. Powell,  
Seaman, Silvernail, Soohoo, Stave, and Paul Gregario  
(PSU, Continuing Education in Oregon).  
Absent: Doak, Thompson.

INTRODUCTION

Introductions of the board were made. P. Silvernail introduced P. Gregario as a guest.

MINUTES

The minutes of the October 26th Advisory Board were amended and accepted as follows:

- 1) page one, paragraph six: "Our projected chapter return from A C R L/National dues...for 1984-85 is ~~(\$285)~~ \$185."
- 2) page one, paragraph eight: "~~(Because-of-the-deadline)~~ Because funding cycles did not coincide, L. C. did not apply."

REPORTS

President's Report

- A budget request to the National A C R L office has been submitted based upon \$1.50/person for the projected membership. This money will be used for photo-duplication expense and postage for the newsletter.
- An information sheet which is biographical in nature has been submitted for the chapter.
- P. Silvernail mailed an updated report from D. Ferguson, Fred Meyer Charitable Trust, to all A C R L/OR Advisory Board members.
- Perry Morrison and Richard Heinzkill will work on an A C R L/OR chapter history. They intend to have it ready by the end of January for ACRL Board review at the next meeting. Discussion centered on what we should do with the history once it is completed. Perry had questioned the state of our archives; how they are maintained; are there guidelines for the maintenance; where they should reside? **There was discussion** on how to compile and develop archives. P. Gregario recommended Archives and Manuscripts: arrangement and description. David Grary. Chicago: Society of American Archives, 1977. \$5.95.

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### Treasurer's Report

- P. Silvernail presented a draft of the Treasurer's report as of November 30, 1984. The quarter ends December 31, 1984.

### Membership Report

- Since October we have eight new members bringing the total for 1984/85 to 72 members. Total membership for 1983/84 was 83 members; total membership for 1982/83 was 103 members.

### Menucha Conference Report

- L. Chmelir presented a summary of the conference evaluations (see attached). Discussion of the evaluation followed. Two suggestions were that we try to get more library directors to attend the conference and that we upgrade our vegetarian meals. We had seven library directors in attendance, mostly from community colleges.
- P. Silvernail presented a financial and attendance report (see attached). She will compile a checklist on conference arrangements.

### NEWSLETTER

T. Stave and T. Soohoo are co-editors and will divide the responsibilities. Stave will do the mailings; "claims" should go to U. of O. to his attention. Soohoo will compile; information for the newsletter should go to her attention, PSU.

### LIAISON BETWEEN OLA AND OCRL/OREGON CHAPTER

M. Seaman made a report on her investigation of a closer relationship between OLA and ACRL/OR. She reported that OLA would welcome closer co-ordination. This kind of co-ordination exists between OEMA and OLA through an exchange of the board presidents at the respective board meetings as a non-voting member. L. Chmelir reported that this concept has been discussed at Chapter's Council with the information that some such liaisons work well. The question centers on keeping the money separate for the two organizations. ACRL/OR has historically served as the informal academic section of OLA. Seaman and Chmelir will continue to investigate opportunities for a closer co-ordination and bring a recommendation to our chapter.

### COLLECTION ANALYSIS TRAINING WORKSHOP

L. Chmelir turned over to N. Powell the question of using our special project grant (\$81.00) to sponsor a workshop on collection analysis. We will investigate ACRL/OR--OLA cooperation and/or work with B. Schneck (U. of O.) and the FMCT. Powell will follow-up.

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#### JOINT MEETING WITH COMMUNITY COLLEGE LIBRARIANS

"Risk management" was mentioned as a possible topic for a joint meeting. P. Gregario will suggest some speakers from WOSC. A suggested date and place was Friday, Feb. 22nd, in the Corvallis area.

P. Silvernail will work out a date with Barbara McKillip of LBCC.  
P. Hamilton, R. Thompson, and C. Abshire will assist with the planning.

#### CONTINUING EDUCATION IN OREGON

P. Gregario made a brief presentation on the needs and some ideas for the CLEP-O program which includes a monthly calendar of continuing education across the state. He reminded us the CLEP-O will co-sponsor workshops with other libraries. Current programs include: five workshops on budgeting entitled "Building library budgets" by G. Smith; a workshop in May entitled "Future Shock"; and a workshop on "Collection Development in Health Science."

He asked for discussion on a proposed workshop "update on academic disciplines" which would involve a seminar approach with 10-15 people that would focus on new journal literature, data bases, fugitive literature of the field, resource and/or non-traditional centers, the invisible college, and trends in the field in information access. Some fields under consideration include the social sciences, education, natural sciences, physical sciences, humanities, or narrower fields. Seminars would be run in two or three different locations.

CLEP-O has been funded by a grant from LAMGO.

LAMGO is looking for projects for this year. Suggestions can be forwarded to T. Soohoo at PSU. LAMGO is composed of one representative from each library related organization in the state with the purpose of promoting statewide cooperation between the different kinds of libraries.

#### ACRL/OR TEN YEAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

A history of the chapter is in preparation. Options for hosting a party at PNLA were discussed. The Academic librarians workshop at PNLA will be on Thursday, August 22, from 1:30--4:00 pm. It was decided that ACRL/OR will sponsor a wine-and-cheese type reception from 4--6 after the workshop. P. Silvernail will check on vendor support; F. Powell will help work-out the details.

#### FRED MEYER CHARITABLE TRUST QUESTION

P. Hamilton voiced some concerns about the lack of information coming from the FMTC and the lack of opportunity for widespread library participation in the LIRN/FMCT (Library Information Resources for the NW). These concerns were endorsed by several of the Advisory Board members in attendance. She recommended that ACRL/OR request more information, more opportunities for participation, and more opportunities

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FRED MEYER CHARITABLE TRUST QUESTION cont.

to share in the meetings with knowledgeable professionals and consultants that the FMCT is bringing into the state, and an opportunity to see the reports from the representatives to the Advisory Board. Concern was expressed that a plan will be superimposed on libraries of the region without adequate opportunities for input by librarians. P. Silvernail will communicate these concerns to D. Ferguson of the FMCT.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be at PSU, February 1, 198<sup>6</sup>, at 10:00 am.

Respectfully submitted  
Nancy Powell, Recorder



ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGE AND RESEARCH LIBRARIES

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CONFERENCE EVALUATION

Evaluations from previous Fall Conferences were used in the planning for this meeting. The ACRL Oregon Chapter Advisory Board would appreciate your evaluation and comments.

Program:

On a scale of 1 (poor) to 10 (excellent), please rate the following:

Keynote Address 7.7 (43) Small-group seminar: Session one 7.8 (41)  
Evening Speech 6.65 (40) Small-group seminar: Session two 7 (41)  
Summary Panel 8.1 (39)  
Comments See attached sheet

Circle the small group seminars which you attended:

Ethics (20) Policy (8) Leadership (23)  
Staff Development (14) User Education (12) Funding (8)

Did you like the small-group seminar discussion format?

(39) yes (2) no

Comments: See attached sheet

How could the program have been better?

See attached sheet

Facilities:

On a scale of 1 to 10, please rate the following at Menucha:

Accommodations 7.9 (42) Dinner 8.6 (42) Breakfast 8.5 (42) Lunch 9.25 (16) Party 9.5 (32)

Would you rather meet at a conventional hotel at about twice the cost?

1 yes 42 no

Please comment on the Conference facilities: See attached sheet

What ideas would you like to see addressed in future ACRL programs? See attached sheet

What activities would you like to see the ACRL Oregon Chapter undertake? See attached sheet

## CONFERENCE EVALUATION

### COMMENTS-PROGRAM

- Small group session #2 was poor because facilitator lectured group for the major portion of time without any really new information, and not necessarily tied to topic.
- Overall good format. Needed more time to really get at issues.
- The topic (s) were very interesting but unfortunately too difuse and multifarrous.
- The keynote speaker rambled-had no substance-he did promote an attitude (attitudes are important) but didn't say anything that was not in "At The Crossroads."
- Discussion was always best part
- I would have liked to attend more than two of the break out seminars.
- Evening speech could have easily been keynote address-more pertinent.
- Thought provoking--Now, how to make a difference.
- I like the interchange at the wrap-up.
- Evening speech after dinner was not good time since group was tired, too relaxed. Maybe before dinner would be better.
- Lots of stimulating ideas.
- Needed to improve seminaring techniques.
- One or two people tended to monopolize small-groups. Listening to a speaker after dinner for a hour is a very difficult thing to do. Mr. Theobald's speech presentation was fascinating and provoked a lot of thought. His delivery was marred however by an "all-over-the-board-at-once" approach and his frequent assertion that "this .....is the key idea"--"the" changed from moment to moment.
- Thank you.
- Needed more discussion in 2nd small group seminar; first group needed more direction to focus more on "vision".
- Liked the openness and enthusiasm.
- Superb program, well-run.
- I was impressed by keynote speaker's knowledge of libraries. Often speakers outside library profession do not understand libraries.
- Wonderful keynote address--very thought provoking.
- Appreciated how accesible Theobald & Rogers were throughout the conference--lots of opportunities for informal interaction with them.
- Good people on wrap-up panel--Theobald's contributions excellent.

### COMMENTS-SMALL-GROUP SEMINAR DISCUSSION FORMAT

- The leader talked too much; discussion was trite and unenlightening.
  - In both that I attended the leader was more of a speaker than a facilitator.
  - Group leaders enhance the discussion by their preparation.
  - I felt constricted by the choices I had to make about small groups.
  - Great chance for sharing ideas on specific topics.
  - One or two monopolizing participants, well-prepared leaders were good.
  - Much more information given,more discussion interaction.
  - It led to conversations continued beyond the seminar sessions--good way to interact.
  - Some leaders better prepared than others.
  - Not really enough discussion time.
- Send out keynote speaker's ideas ahead of time so we could be prepared for more on-target group discussions.
- These seemed to work o.k. Some others didn't.
  - Make sure group leaders understand their role as facilitators.
  - Felt there wasn't enough time for discussion--just got started.
  - Prior suggested reading might have been helpful.
  - First was more open, followed agenda of participants rather than that of leader(s).
  - One group the leader talked too long before starting the discussion.

## COMMENTS (Small-Group Discussion--cont.)

- Firmer more systematic leadership would have been valuable in the #1 group.
- Wanted advance info... to be a better contributor.
- Ethnics seminar tended to get side-tracked. Speakers didn't allow one topic to finish before introducing another of keep the seminar on track of the subject being discussed--need to moderate better by possibly keeping track of where discussion going and speaking up when off track.
- Liked the interaction, liked leadership shown by "locals", also liked the mix with leaders--big attendance was a plus.
- Should probably be smaller groups. The ethnics one just didn't work very well; no provocative issues--dreary lighting.
- But the leader of the leadership session lectured on unrelated ideas for 40 minutes leaving little time for discussion.
- Limit leader to ½ hour of talking.

## HOW COULD THE PROGRAM HAVE BEEN BETTER?

- Better discussion leaders--I know this can be difficult; we need people who are good at leading discussion not necessarily people with lots of ideas.
- It was a vision expander; I'm most grateful.
- Sharon Rogers was excellent--can we get the ACRL president every year--how can we have more directors attend?
- Really come up with an action plan for the state or ACRL--something concrete to carry on discussion/ideas/methods.
- Small groups should have been longer or some other option (Thurs. Evening?) for extended discussions would have been good.
- Longer, ½ day, all day, ½ day programs to allow people to attend more sessions.
- Reinstate Halloween costuming, pumpkins, etc.
- More time for discussion. Perhaps some pre-reading by participants so that we can start discussions right away.
- A suggested reading list sent out before the conference.
- Chance to attend more of the small groups.
- Send out keynote speaker's ideas ahead of time so we could be prepared for more on-target group discussions.
- Started off slow--since many of us travel from a distance, something more active as a starter might help.
- I would prefer to have Friday program last all day rather than end after lunch so we could attend one more discussion session.
- Really, none at all--excellent experience.
- Longer--excellent program. Wish keynote had been longer.
- Having some specific written things sent us before the conference so we all begin discussion from some common ground and agree on terminology, etc. might be a good idea.
- Well planned and carried out--excellent speakers--good site. No comment on how to improve except moving evening speech.
- I felt the keynote address was poorly organized and presented, much, I believe, we have heard before. It seemed to give us little food for thought in group discussion. Sharon Roger's talk would have been a better starting point.
- More small group session repeats (although there wasn't time)
- The black chairs were awfully uncomfortable!
- In one group (ethnics) the issues or "departure points" would have been better deferred.

PLEASE COMMENT ON THE CONFERENCE FACILITIES:

- Very good--wish there could be more time for conferring.
- Adequate/comfortable.
- Menucha is beautiful and I'm willing to give up a private room for the cost saving and opportunity to interact with colleagues in a closed setting.
- The vegetarian dinner was poor (cheese and yogurt).
- Good atmosphere for thinking about issues.
- The location is good; the price is right; not enough bathrooms.
- Just fine--makes for a truly informal attitude.
- Beautiful grounds, adequate sleeping/personal accommodations, rooms good for discussion format.
- More johns.
- Just fine for the time spent here.
- Very good. I much prefer more modest accommodations--more people can attend.
- Menucha is outstanding--please continue to use it.
- Beautiful setting--conference is conducive to meeting people, talking.
- Beautiful location, a nice change from commercial locations.
- Excellent, though some of the housing is much better than other.
- A beautiful setting but a little wet!
- Excellent.
- Beautiful surroundings.
- Not enough bathrooms, beds(upper bunk inconvenient)
- Beautiful spot--would be nice if at registration time once could express preference in which building one would rather be assigned in priority order.
- Nice. Pleasant atmosphere. Extra bathroom facilities would be nice.
- Excellent.
- Excellent, add shack vending machine.
- Very appropriate. Encourage informality and interaction.
- I liked the idea of a retreat in a more secluded area rather than a convention hotel. It allowed you to interact more with people.
- Great place.
- Some context (a special room?) could have been set aside for conference-related discussions.
- Need creature comforts.
- Good atmosphere. .
- Well-organized, efficient-comfortable--also very conducive to conversations-serious as well as friendly.
- If the sun would come out, I would rate it a 10!
- Lovely/well-run facilities. It helps give perspective to get into such a different setting.
- This is a lovely place and a bargain for the price.
- Beautiful-bathroom accommodations a little difficult--if we knew more about the facilities it would be helpful for first attendance.
- Really like the location and the helpfulness of the staff.

WHAT IDEAS WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE ADDRESSED IN FUTURE ACRL PROGRAMS?

- Exploration of a statewide circulation system for academic libraries i.e. George's information.
- The gathering of statistics was mentioned several times. It might be useful to get some perspectives on lands, standards, use. They can be a powerful sales tool for libraries; Brong assured us that the legislative laughs at library statistics.
- Distinction between/problems/comparison of Academic-Public libraries.
- Specific examples/ideas for inclusive/democratic management.
- Similar ones-ways to get us to picture good libraries in the future.
- More sessions on government documents and federal information sources.



COMMENTS (Future ACRL program ideas-cont.)

- Use of new technologies.
- Automation, computer training.
- Leadership models for future; organizational behavior.
- More on leadership/change of governing institutions (not within library).
- Achievement of excellence.
- Regional cooperation systems.
- Leadership.
- More emphasis on the human element less on automation.
- Library leadership.
- Automation integrated systems; censorship; greater communication. involvement with university faculty, curriculum research. More national representation-- excellent having S. Rogers here.
- Expansion of Sharon Roger's speech--moving the library into the larger academic community.
- Generalists vs. specialists in the libraries. Are we moving toward generalists again?
- How (specifically) do you keep the "human systems" from falling behind the technological advancement?
- Administrative style in libraries.

WHAT ACTIVITIES WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE THE ACRL OREGON CHAPTER UNDERTAKE?

- I liked suggestion of integrating some ACRL workshops at OLA.
- More coordination with OLA so that we have some professional growth opportunities at that time for academic libraries. This kind of conditions could have been excellent program for OLA.
- More cooperation between public and private colleges and universities in automation, etc.
- More of these great joint efforts with Washington.
- Continue annual conference--Perhaps do an information sources conference open to the public.
- More small group workshops to stimulate thought, directions for the future, etc, rather than "how we do it good".
- An informal reception at the beginning of the 1st ½ day.
- Bring some actual equipment for demos and possible hands on.
- New methods of bibliographic instruction and techniques by which to market B.I. to faculty and techniques to require competency levels of B.I. i.e. each subject discipline requires x number of credits. How can we see that B.I. is part of that requirement? People need the skills in their individual careers as well as in college.
- What about follow-up discussions past conference--informal talks- to keep momentum up and help those of us who attend take it home and don't lose our enthusiasm.
- Final recommendation for ACRL appropriate for Oregon chapter.