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EDITOR'S NOTE

Welcome to the Spring, 1991 issue of APROPOS!

This issue includes several articles and information pieces that should be of interest to our membership. Included are the minutes of the Annual Business Meeting, a discussion of the Government Documents Workshop held in April and assistance for members seeking employment in the library field in the Sudbury area.

Please note that I have again changed my mailing address. Kindly forward all submissions to:

William (Bill) Land
P.O. Box 1432
North Bay, Ontario
P1B 8K6.

My home and business phone numbers remain the same, but I have a new fax number at work. Library Services was fortunate recently to obtain its own fax machine. That number is (705) 494-3398.

William Land

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

Sudbury Regional Branch
Saturday, March 2, 1991
Laurentian University Library

1. Attendance:

P. Burton
M. Cayen
L. Davis
M. Fuchs
B. Gore
D. Hynes
L. Imbeau
S. Krats
S. Perreault
L. Plourde
L. Roberts

2. Minutes of the 1990 Annual Business Meeting were not available, but a report of the meeting appeared in an issue of Apropos.
3. Director's report submitted orally by P. Burton. She will be preparing a report for OALT/ABO's annual business meeting. At the provincial level, the executive is looking into membership services done by Becker Associates. We are reminded to renew memberships and return surveys, distributed by Marsha Hunt, to L. Roberts.
- b. MOTION #91-01:
That the Sudbury Regional Branch increase membership fees by \$5.00 for each type of membership to be effective January 1, 1992.
Moved by: L. Davis
Seconded by: B. Gore
CARRIED.
4. Secretary's report submitted orally by M. Fuchs. Have taken minutes of the only executive meeting held. We have only one Board policy regarding travel expenses incurred by executive members to attend regional meetings.
5. Treasurer's report submitted in writing by S. Perreault. We have \$180.01 in our account.
6. Newsletter Editor was absent. Has produced one double issue and one single issue of Apropos to date. Cost to produce newsletter - \$197.80.
7. Membership report submitted verbally by L. Roberts. We now have 33 members.

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8. Public Relations report submitted verbally by L. Plourde and L. Imbeau. Have organized two workshops:

a. FUNDRAISING

Diana Bouffard
Saturday, November 24, 1990
Sudbury Public Library.

b. GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS

Eileen Goltz
Saturday, April 13, 1991
Laurentian University Library.

9. Donation to the Valley East Public Library Fund. Discussion held. The feeling was that the association would like to purchase a piece of equipment or furniture at a later date and donate it to the Library, rather than giving a cash donation. M. Fuchs to check the list of furniture and equipment being purchased.

10. Elections:

All members of the 1990-91 executive agreed to stay on for the 1991-92 term.

President/Director--Paulette Burton.

Secretary--Monique Fuchs.

Treasurer--Suzanne Perreault.

Memberships--Lorrie Roberts.

Public Relations--Lynn Imbeau and Lise Plourde.

Newsletter Editor--William (Bill) Land.

It was agreed that the Sudbury Regional Branch would hold only one workshop next Fall since we are hosting the 1992 conference in Sudbury in the Spring.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Meeting of April 27, 1991
Toronto, Ontario

The final Board of Directors/ Executive Meeting for 1990-91 was held. Following are the highlights of that meeting:

Statement of Standards Committee

Ron Cheney presented the final draft of this document for approval by the Board. A previous motion to translate the statement was rescinded to allow for final approval by the membership at the 1991 ABM. Translation will proceed once the wording is approved at the ABM.

O.L.A.

Outgoing president Susan Morley will explore the possibility of reciprocal member rates for OLA and OALT/ABO conferences following an initial conversation with OLA's representative on this topic.

Membership Directory

We received a quote of \$1,880.00 from Becker Associates to produce our membership directory. This includes layout and printing. They provided samples of their work for our consideration. The quote is competitive and contracting the work would save the data base co-ordinator many hours doing the layout. If you have any reservations or suggestions, please contact SRB director Paulette Burton, since we will be voting on this resolution at the brainstorming meeting in June.

Public Relations

Marsha Hunt is looking for an appropriate quote or phrase to use on the OALT/ABO bookmark to be produced in the coming year. Please forward your suggestions to her or Paulette. Each region will receive one copy of the video being produced from the original OALT/ABO slide-tape presentation. The problem patron kit is in final draft and will soon be ready for production.

Conference Procedures Manual

Liz Aldrey distributed one more section for approval. Donna Fossum will accept revisions at the conference brainstorming session.

Meal Allowance Policy

The Board passed a motion to establish a meal allowance policy and recommended revisions to the proposed policy. Bette Gore will present a revised proposal at the next meeting for Board approval.

Treasurers' Meeting

Chris Davy reiterated the importance of the breakfast meeting scheduled during the conference. She will outline procedures for regional treasurers and membership co-ordinators to ensure that members receive receipts and documentation promptly after they have paid their fees.

Do you have questions or suggestions? Please call or write your director or any executive member. We welcome your input.

Linda Davis on
behalf of Paulette Burton

WELCOME NEW MEMBER!

The Sudbury Regional Branch is pleased to welcome Denise Denomme to our organization.

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Business:

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Library
Ramsey Lake Road
Sudbury, Ontario
P3E 2C6.

BOOK EXCHANGE

To Give Away:

1 copy of Municipal directory = Répertoire des municipalities (1990)

1 copy of The Financial Post directory of directors (1990)

Wanted:

Books-in-Print (more recent than 1986-1987)

Contact:

Linda Davis
Ministry of Northern Development and Mines
159 Cedar Street, 6th Floor
Sudbury, Ontario P3E 6A5
(705) 670-7130.

FREE FOR THE ASKING!

Write to:

Ministry of Health
Communications and Information
80 Grosvenor Street
Hepburn Block, 9th Floor
Toronto, Ontario M7A 1S2

Ask for:

Nutrition tips for growing children
(15 pp.)

Write to:

Ministry of Energy
Corporate Relations Branch
56 Wellesley Street West, 9th Floor
Toronto, Ontario M7A 2B7

Ask for:

The greenhouse effect and global warming.

GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS WORKSHOP

The Sudbury Regional Branch held its Spring Workshop at Laurentian University on Saturday, April 13, 1991. The guest speaker was Eileen Goltz, an employee of the government documents department of Laurentian University.

Ms. Goltz proved to be very knowledgeable regarding the use and development of a government document collection. She mentioned that many library workers find using government publications frustrating, but stressed that this field could also be fascinating.

Many of the workshop participants expressed their displeasure at working with government documents, but Ms. Goltz assured us that "you are not alone." Her discussion revolved around the different types of government publications and the various forms in which they can appear, usually as monographs or as serials.

It is important for reference employees to understand the governmental process in order to effectively serve their patron. Secondly, it is necessary to know if the publication sought is from the federal or provincial government.

One of the more intriguing aspects of this presentation included a tour of the government documents collection of the Laurentian University Library. The size and scope of this collection is quite impressive; the volumes held number into the few thousands.

After the tour, a question and answer session was held. The presenter offered many helpful suggestions and gave good advice on those persons who indicated they were having difficulty with government publications in their own libraries. The information gained from this workshop will prove extremely valuable to those persons working with government publications.

Thanks are due to Eileen Goltz for providing some insight on a topic that was confusing to many of the persons attending that presentation.

William Land

CONGRATULATIONS, CHRISTINE!

Congratulations to Christine Davy, a TALTA member and provincial treasurer of OALT/ABO on her new position as a library technician at Cambrian College. Sudbury Regional Branch welcomes her to the area.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

OALT/ABO endeavors to assist members who are seeking employment by notifying them of positions we hear about. In some cases, it is this informal network that results in success for our colleagues.

If you know of openings or potential openings in the library field, please contact Linda Davis, or any member of the Sudbury Regional Branch executive. Time frames usually prevent us from publishing such information in Apropos, but we do try to contact any members who are looking for work as soon as we become aware of a contact.

If you are seeking employment, please let us know too so that we can pass along any information we receive. Job contact people for all OALT/ABO regions are listed in Newsletter/Nouvelles (v.15, #3)

Linda Davis



"I'm looking for out-and-out garbage."