

Minutes of the Journalism Education Association
April 18, 1997
General Membership Meeting
Hyatt Regency Phoenix, Phoenix, Arizona

President H.L. Hall called the meeting to order at 8:41 a.m.

Roll Call:

Past President Candace Perkins Bowen called roll. In attendance were:

H.L. Hall, President
Rob Melton, Vice President
Ann Visser, Secretary
Candace Perkins Bowen, Immediate Past President
Linda Puntney, JEA Executive Director
Sister Rita Jeanne, FSPA, Treasurer Emeritus
Molly Clemons, *C:JET* Editor
Susan Hathaway Tantillo, Certification Commission Chair
Jan Hensel, Development/Curriculum Commission Chair
Willie Wooten, Multicultural Commission Chair
John Bowen, Scholastic Press Rights Commission Chair
Jack Groves, Northwest Regional Director
Tony Gomez, Southwest Regional Director
Jack Kennedy, North Central Regional Director
Kathy Craghead, South Central Regional Director
Sylvia Daughtry, Southeast Regional Director
Betty Morton, Mid-Atlantic/Great Lakes Regional Director
Barbara Flanagan, Northeast Regional Director
Rudy Gomez, Ad Hoc Board Member
Norma Kneese, Ad Hoc Board Member, Outreach Committee
Marilyn Mc Elroy, Awards Committee Chair
Connie Fulkerson, Publications Committee
Diane Honda, Scholarship Committee Chair
Mary Lu Foreman, Web Site Committee Chair
Pat Graff, NCTE Liaison
Julie Dodd, Scholastic Press Association Liaison
Carolyn Jones Howard, guest, Multicultural Outreach
Sherrie Marshall, guest, Multicultural Outreach

OLD BUSINESS

- Format changed from a business meeting to a membership meeting. If motions are passed in the general membership meeting, they must be approved by the board if they are budget items.
- Puntney made announcements regarding the Advisers Institute, networking - partnered with Channel 1 - STAND; AEJMC - making the transition from high schools to college better; Virtual Conventions - still be big convention; possibility of regional sites for convention; instructors at conventions to give mini-presentations; Dorothy Mc Phillips Scholarships - please apply. Whole Book Yearbook Poll Group: High School Yearbooks - national surveys. How do students want to preserve their memories? Investigate. 75th Anniversary Quilt: 75 blocks. Sell 50 blocks to various state organizations. Create own block. SPLC Summer Workshop.
- Hensel reported for the Web Site Committee. Foreman, Webmaster. Committee has made significant changes to the JEA pages. Increase materials and information that is available to members. Survey that's up now. New members can contact Jan: 1) increase content; 2) utilize to serve members better; people interested in serving on Web Committee should contact Foreman.
- Publications Committee: Dodd. Recommendations presented. Mission statements; stylebook for publications; hiring another person who might be a publications production manager; software and hardware in JEA office.

- Communications Decency Act: JEA plaintiff (one of 19 with ACLU); if this portion was left standing, advisers would be liable for what students might access accidentally/intentionally on Internet. Supreme Court: March 19. Mark Goodman was there; CDA will probably not be left standing as such. More legislation, perhaps, on other levels. Acceptable Use Policy: try to make sure that JEA members are aware of what they may need to be concerned with as far as this is concerned.

NEW BUSINESS

- Goals: 17 now; will be debated this summer. If any members have a goal, they should let H.L. know that now.
- Bylaw Changes: Changes noted.
- Alcohol at receptions: Hall. After this convention, no alcohol will be served at receptions held as part of the convention.
- Upcoming Conventions: St. Louis, Nov. 13-16; Seattle, April 16-19. Toni Pursley, Washington state director, reported that hotel reservations can be made now for Seattle. Program proposals are available for St. Louis.
- Miscellaneous: Sister Rita Jeanne gave an investments report; Flanagan announced new state directors for her region; Daughtry reminded members of Atlanta's convention in 1999.
- Certification: Hathaway Tantillo reported that as of the Phoenix convention there were 460 CJE's and 75 MJE's.
- Multicultural: Wooten reported that multicultural scholarships were available for the Phoenix convention. He also noted that Full Palette curriculum guide was available in the bookstore for \$4.05.
- Publications: Fulkerson announced that the Thursday afternoon/evening bookstore was a new addition to the Phoenix convention.
- Upcoming Conventions - Puntney. Noted that an adviser's luncheon would be added on Friday to help boost the group's attractiveness to hotels. She reported that the Fall of 2000 convention would probably be held in Kansas City. Chicago: \$51,788.40 profit.
- NewsWire and C.JET: Deadlines were announced - May 1 for NewsWire; July 15 for C.JET (Clemons). Web pages will be featured in the fall issue. Possible future topics: telecommunications classrooms/Rescheduling and restructuring/multicultural.
- NCTE: Graff. JEA information has been distributed at NCTE. SPLC to be nominated for a NCTE award.
- Matters introduced by members: It was asked if the agenda for the general membership meeting could be included in the pre-convention packet. It will be.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m. (Note: As many as 69 people were in attendance at one time.)