NMCAL MINUTES  
APRIL 30, 1999  
Carlsbad, NM  

The meeting was called to order by Norice Lee at 7:30 AM. Several handouts included: “Revised Agenda”, “Updated NMCAL Membership List”, minutes of 02-11-99 meeting, and a ballot. Those present included: Ruben Aragon, Rollah Aston, Marsha Baum, Christie King, Jerry Klopfer, Kay Krehbiel, Eleanor Kuhl, Norice Lee, John McCance, Sylvia Medina, Julie Miller, Anne Moore, James Pawlak, Harris Richard, Isabel Rodarte, Steve Rollins, Brigitte Schimek, Charles Townley, Inga Waite, Melveta Walker, Kris Warmoth, Julia White, and guest Louise Bolton.  

Harris Richard introduced Louise Bolton who will become the San Juan College Library Director in the summer.  

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as presented. The minutes had been e-mailed and were also available in hard copy at the meeting.  

I. Voting on the ballot for President elect, two-year representative to the Executive Board, and nominations for the position of four-year representative. Meeting continued while votes were counted.  

II. Update on Electronic Resources - Steve Rollins  
Steve said the first round of letters are out concerning the renewal of the Panorama Package (60 databases). A second letter will be out in two weeks concerning a survey of interest in other databases. The group is expanding; including some public libraries, some in Alaska, maybe California. Kris Warmoth asked if there would be a change in the Panorama and Steve said “not now”. If Panorama is too expensive, he suggested that a smaller institutional database might be developed. Steve indicated that Barbara at AMIGOS needs the FTE information by May 21, 1999. Both Luna Vocational-Technical Institute and Eastern NM University were going to have sessions on the new FirstSearch on June 2.  

III. Update from the State Library - Ben Wakashige  
Ben said the State Library would continue to provide “Research & Discovery”. If additional money is received, the State Library will add 1 or 2 more databases - business and/or consumer health. Statistics show upward trend in usage by academic libraries. Ben indicated that money has been set aside and a state-wide planning committee is being formed with a NMCAL representative. There has been no formal planning since 1986. Also forming a state-wide task force for electronic resources with strong NMCAL representation. Ben thanked all the academic libraries who provided training locations for “Research & Discovery” and he praised Charles Townley for his leadership in the legislative efforts. Ben thought the Legislative Day went well.
Election results:
Ruben Aragon was elected as President Elect (18 votes).
Anne Moore was elected as Two-Year Representative to the Executive Board (19 votes)
Nomination for the Four-Year Representative: John McCance, Kay Krehbiel, Melveta Walker, and Mary Helen Jones.

IV. Legislative Update - Charles Townley
Charles discussed HB2 and SB738 and the Governor’s veto and previous evening’s discussion with State Representative Danice Picraux and concluded by saying “I don’t know squat”. On a personal note Charles indicated he would be going to China in August on a Fulbright. When he returns he will be a full-professor in the library and teaching some in the educational management department.

Charles indicated he had enjoyed working with NMCAL for nine years and thought the recent Legislative Day was a great success. Charles encouraged librarians to make contact with their legislators. He concluded with some recommendations for NMCAL:
1) In the larger libraries, NMCAL needs to include assistant directors or associate directors. They would be non-voting members but could give committee assistance.
2) NMCAL should give two awards each year: “Outstanding staff member of the year” (one for 4 year and one for 2 year institutions) and “Friend of Academic Libraries” so that we can recognize legislators without going through the NMLA process OR to recognize administrators who are special friends of their academic libraries.

Anne Moore gave a brief report concerning State-Wide Electronic Resources. They have met and one group will develop packages of resources to address different audiences (public, academic, schools), another group will study what other states are doing, and another group will work on marketing. They are meeting again in June. She thanked Ben for getting the group started. They plan to work toward greater consortial activities in the state.

Kay Krehbiel said that she and John McCance had attended ACRL in Detroit. She had a handout concerning SPARC, Scholarly Publishing and Academic Resources Coalition. She also distributed a survey concerning ILL and asked that each institution complete and return the survey by June 1.

Ben Wakashige asked that the State Library be included in the survey and indicated that he had requested an estimate from “Pony Express” for a state-wide document delivery service. Norice suggested that the Resource Sharing Committee might want to work on the ILL survey project. Norice indicated that she would like to activate the Standing Committees: Collection Development, Resource Sharing, Automation, Legislative Information, and Statistics (IPEDS)
Norice asked for a volunteer to update the NMCAL website. Kay Krehbiel said that since the website was on a server at her institution, she would find someone who could update it. Norice read the mission statement and the vision statement which appear on the website.

After some discussion, Margaret Maestas-Armijo made a motion to have a NMCAL summer retreat in Santa Fe at the State Library in July. Seconded by Anne Moore. Motion carried. Anne Moore made a motion for adjournment. Meeting Adjourned.

Eleanor R. Kuhl
Secretary/Treasurer

Bill for the breakfast was paid by NMCAL treasurer: $173.94