Members present: Julia White, NMSU-C; Ruben Aragon, NMHU; Shirlene Gordon, IAIA; Chuck Baldonado, TVI; James Pawlak, ENMU; Wayne Oakes, SFCC; Sylvia Medina, SFCC; Melveta Walker, ENMU; Fran Wilkinson, UNM; Pat Rorick, NMSU-A; Sharon Jenkins, NMJC; Rollah Aston, ENMU-Roswell; John McCance, CSW; Dennis Davies-Wilson, UNM-LA; Cheryl Wilson, NMSU; Kay Krehbiel, NMT; Brigitte Schimek, NMT; Kris Warmoth, UNM-VC; Kathleen Knoth, UNM Taos; Holly Buchanan, UNM, HSLIC; Julie Miller, WNMU; Louise Bolton, SJC.

Guests present:
Ben Wakashige, State Librarian; Lorie Barzano, (guest speaker); Vanessa K. Hawker, CHE

Julie Miller, President called the meeting to order at 8:40 AM. She thanked Kay Krehbiel for hosting the meeting. Everyone was asked to introduce themselves around the table and to sign in on the sheet of paper being passed around.

The agenda was presented and accepted.

Minutes from the previous meeting of April 19, 2002 were approved.

Reports:

Treasurer's report: Balance to date = $8,897.68. Two expenditures since last meeting: $500. to Bonds for Books Campaign and $268.50 to NMLA luncheon meeting in Las Cruces. m/s/a

Kathleen Knoth asked if the group should consider investing some of the money in a CD account. It was suggested that the Executive Committee look into it.

ILL Committee: No report. Julie Miller noted that the ILL committee needs new members. While there is an active group in the state NMCAL needs more representatives to serve on this Resource Sharing committee. A sheet of paper was passed around for those interested to sign up. John McCance volunteered to chair the committee. Ben W. mentioned that he is working on the virtual library catalog. Rep. Pickerell is to present it to the NM legislature. NMCAL needs a rep. to the state committee. Sylvia is our Passport representative.

Legislative Committee: Julie Miller noted that the Legislative Committee also needs new members. This would be the committee working on the Bond Issue along with other legislative issues. A sheet of paper was passed around for those interested to sign up.
Statistics: No report. Elizabeth Titus is handling the statistics. Information would be posted soon on our NMCAL web site.

Executive Committee. Julie Miller announced that the executive committee decided to keep the fee structure the same for this coming year. As Sharon Jenkins was elected President-elect, the 2-year rep. Position is vacant. Jim Pawlak was asked to fill in for this position. He accepted.

State Librarian report:
Ben Wakashige reported on the library bond:
- Information on the last bond issue was passed out by Ben. In 1992 it passed by only 52%. It is very important to give out all the data to our constituents.
- Speaking for David Gilgrow, head of the Bonds for Books campaign, Ben noted that $30,000. is needed for the campaign to create awareness of the bond's importance throughout the state.
- The Office of Cultural Affairs would distribute the funds to the public and school libraries, but Ben is recommending that the CHE distribute the funds to the Academic Libraries. The turn around time would be around July 2003 if the bond passes.
- It was discussed that there is a fine line between advocacy and providing information.

Ben noted he was able to obtain materials for public and school from St. Joseph a health care provider. Kathleen/ Pat m/s/p for same materials to be asked for the Academic libraries.

RFP has been sent out for periodical database. Three vendors were asked to submit bids.

New Business

Vanessa Hawke, Director of Finance, from the CHE was then given the floor to speak regarding the "blue ribbon task force" committee for revising formula funding of public institutions of higher education. The current formula generates funds but does not determine their use. The current formula is not responsive to current needs, particularly in the areas of new programs and programs for economic development. The committee is looking at other states and how their funding formula is set up. [For membership of committee, see appendix to minutes.]

The proposed alternative formula will have base funding (based on current funding levels) with a series of inflationary increases built in for faculty/staff salaries, benefits (insurance, worker's comp., unemployment), library acquisitions, institutional utilities, and risk management. Additionally, institutions will be able to receive incentive funding for developing new programs, meeting performance targets, and supporting economic development. The current formula is based upon a three-year average of credit hours produced. The funding level of the proposed formula will be adjusted when it reaches a 3% increase or a 5% decrease of credit hours produced.
The committee will present to the CHE on Aug. 23 and to the Legislative Finance Committee in Sept.

Kris Warmoth made a motion that NMCAL recommends that the inflationary increase be earmarked for library acquisitions. Melveta seconded. M/s/p

Kris Warmoth made a motion that the inflationary adjustment be based on the ACRL standards, or some other national library standard, and not some unknown factor. Dennis seconded. After discussion m/s/p

It was suggested that Vanessa Hawker be invited to come back and meet with us again.

It was suggested to run the current formula and give to NMCAL members by mid-October.

**Old Business**

NMCAL travel grant.
Kay made a motion to replace the word "individual" with "librarian/paraprofessional"
Kris seconded. After some discussion m/s/p

Information Literacy
Kris brought up the concern of a statewide literacy initiative. No action taken.

NMCAL Web site
Dennis mentioned the need for someone with expertise in digital imaging and web graphics to assist in completing the updated NMCAL web site. Pat Rorick said that possibly Jean Strater at Alamogordo could help us out. She would ask her.

Julie Miller presented a plaque thanking Dennis Davies-Wilson for his service as President of NMCAL.

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 AM.

Louise Bolton
Secretary/Treasurer
Appendix:

Membership of Blue Ribbon Task Force

To review Higher Education Funding Mechanism:

Karen Becklin
Danny Earp
Denny Peterson
Brian Foster
Michael Glennon
Andy Burke
Sigfredo Maestas
Maralyn Budke
David Abbey
Jeff Riggs
Gerald Burke
Frank Bird
Jane Shipp
Cathy Fernandez
Bruce Hamlett

Other participants in the February 27th meeting:

Richard Ray Sanchez
Paul Christensen
David Lepre
Kathy Winograd
Vanessa Hawker
Liz Jenkins
Susan Atwood