

GODORT Publications Committee
Midwinter Conference Meeting
Friday, January 9, 1998, 2:00 - 5:30 p.m.
New Orleans Convention Center

Marcia Meister, presiding and reporting.

Members present: Andrea Sevetson, Edward Swanson, Barbara Ceizler Silver, Beth Estes, Anthony Anderson, Steven Patrick

Attending: Lisa Beinhoff, Ann Miller, Jill Moriearty, Mary Milnwy

Announcements:

M. Meister announced that she had received an email from an editor at Bernan. Jack Carey, Advertising and Promotions Manager from Bernan Associates, has written to say that Bernan would like to bid on

A. Sevetson, in her capacity as Web manager, suggested making links from the web page to ads

The committee discussed a possible increase in DttP subscription rates. A \$5.00 increase in subscription costs (to \$25.) would increase revenues by \$1850. according to estimates provided by J. Horn, Treasurer. An increase of \$10. for international subscriptions was also proposed. The Committee agreed to raise subscription rates to this amount and the Chair will present this recommendation to the Steering Committee.

The Committee briefly discussed a GODORT dues increase. No significant problems with the idea of a modest increase were reported.

ASCLA merger was briefly discussed with both pros and cons mentioned.

Meeting adjourned at 5:45.

Publications Committee, June 27, 1997 Ann Miller, Presiding and Recording ALA Annual Conference June 27, 1997 San Francisco Hilton, Union Square #22 3 - 5:30 pm Ann Miller called the meeting to order at 3pm. The committee approved the agenda and the minutes of the ALA Midwinter meeting. Notable Documents Panel Ann presented the proposed list of the Notable Documents Panel to the committee. Edward asked for clarification on the terms of office. It was determined that the Policy and Procedures Manual doesnt specify terms of office for members of the panel. After some discussion the committee determined that previously a recommendation had been made for Notable Documents Panel members serve 3 years plus the option of extending for one additional year. In order to preserve rotating membership the committee amended the earlier recommendation to propose a two year term of office with the possibility of one two year reappointment. Current members of the panel appointed in 1995 will be asked to serve a single three year term to so that the rotation may begin. Ann will submit the proposal for the Policies and Procedures Manual at the second Steering Committee meeting. The committee then approved the membership of the current Notable Documents Panel. Documents to the People The committee discussed how to reimburse vendors for advertising in the September and December 1996 Documents to the People. Maurie Kelly, the Advertising Manager, has indicated that she has not billed vendors for advertising for these months. She suggested a 10% cut in the rate offered to each advertiser. The committee approved the action, pending approval from the Steering Committee. Approval is required as the additional discount effects the GODORT budget as a whole. In addition, the committee will draft a letter of apology to advertisers for the delay in publication. Edward noted that advertising rates for Documents to the People had not been reviewed in some time and requested that a discussion of the rates be put on the committee agenda for Midwinter in New Orleans. The committee discussed the Distribution Manager position. Ann noted that the applications she had received seemed to be from individuals seeking a salaried position. She has received no response from a letter explaining the situation and requesting a confirmation of continuing interest. Lisa Beinhoff, attending the meeting, noted that she was interested in the position. After discussion the committee requested that she submit a letter of application and vita to Ann. The committee also discussed the vacant columnist positions at DttP. Andrea Morrison, also attending, expressed an interest in the cataloging column. Edward will discuss the position with her further. ASCLA merger The committee discussed the proposed ASCLA merger. Members of the committee expressed concern for what might happen to long standing relationships with publishers, the ability of GODORT members to propose publications and have them accepted, the effect of ALAs right of first refusal, and whether increased competition with other sections in ASCLA would effect GODORT publications. At the same time it was noted that merging (e)9(pu)4(t)3(ld)5(e)5(winters

