

AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

SRRT Action Council. Meeting June 25, 1978, Sunday 5:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Mary Biblo, Elizabeth Morrissett, Jeannette Neal, Barbara Pruett, Herbert Biblo, Brad Cahmbers, Donnarae McCann, Paul ;Miller Rick Speer, Miriam Crawford.

The group was reminded that their presence and support will be an advantage to to passage of the resolution on affirmative action sponsored by this group and related the Bakke case to be heard soon by the supreme court. This resolution will be coming before Council at its next meeting.

The group was invited to the Committee on Change*s post conference pasty at the Presidential suite, Imperial Suite N, 27th floor of the Hilton following the innaugural banquet.

Brad Chambers announced that the LADPAS workshops on racism awareness training were excellent. However resource material which had been requested from the Council on Interracial Books for Children and included in the manual used for the training had been removed from the training copies. On asking he was informed that this was at the request of the LAD/PAS committee. It seems to be a rather clear case of the censorship we have been deploring. On discussion, it was decided that further inquiry would be made about the details and a membership resolution introduced commending the committee for its good conference-workshop, and deploring the felt necessity to censor material from a group which has been under attack from other groups of the ALA.

The question of relations with the Clearing House were raised. Rick Speer described some of the problems which the editors have faced this year and endoresed the abilities of Steve Seward. It was suggested that a telephone budget be given the editors this year so that he could reach task force chairmen and other SRRT members more easily. It was also decided to try to work up better directories of SRRT Action Council and Clearing House for exchanges.

A discussion was held on the structure of the Action Council. It is felt that the Action Council must be organized for the work which needs doing---perhaps each given ALA committees to cover, perhaps as committees with assignments.

It was decided that work on nominations for a year from now begin at once and that volunteers for Clearing House and Action Council be sought at the conference and in the Newsletter.

It was requested that as many SRRT members as possible attend and if possible speak at the IFC subcommittee hearings on the synthesis of the First Amendment and the Sexism-Racism Resolution.

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth ;Morrissett, Secretary protem