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Round Table

LIBRARY UNION TASK FORCE

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the ALA membership meeting of June 30, 1980, narrowly defeated the motion from the Massachusetts Library Association recommending a minimum salary for beginning librarians, and

WHEREAS, the beginning salary of librarians in federal service at the GS-9 level is \$17,035, and

WHEREAS, some other beginning librarians in other libraries start as low as \$10,000, and

WHEREAS, the SRRT Library Union Task Force is concerned about fair and appropriate conditions and salaries for all workers in libraries, and

WHEREAS, the American Library Association is an educational association with interest in the high quality of service in libraries,

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the ALA Executive Board direct the ALA offices to research and report all union contract and non-union contract beginning salaries for the membership of ALA, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this information be published in survey form before the 1981 annual meeting with union and non-union differences noted, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the full research data be made available to individual ALA members from the ALA Office of Research and Headquarters Library, and sent to the ERIC Clearinghouse for Instructional Resources.

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