

REMARC EDITING CLOSING

- WHEREAS the REMARC database is currently under production, using Library of Congress records, and
- WHEREAS the editing of the original records was curtailed by Carrollton Press' closing of its Berkeley, California, branch on January 8, 1983, and
- WHEREAS this abrupt action reportedly put 53 editors out of work with 11 days' notice, following efforts at unionization, contrary to ALA Policy 54.11 (recognition of employees' right to organize and bargain collectively "without fear of reprisal"), and
- WHEREAS the dissemination of such records without adequate editing will inevitably serve to debase standards for bibliographic control, which it is a responsibility of the Association to uphold; therefore be it
- RESOLVED that the Council of the American Library Association request its President to form a Task Force of appropriate ALA members to assess Carrollton Press' employment practices related to ALA Policy 54.11 and the effect on bibliographic standards resulting from Carrollton Press' closing of its Berkeley, California, branch on January 8, 1983, with a first report to the ALA Executive Board at its Spring 1983 meeting for action.

Moved by

Joan Goddard

Joan Goddard, Councillor-at-Large

Seconded by

Elizabeth J. Talbot

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Nature of Content: NON-POLICY

No Prior History

ALA Units Supporting Resolution: ALA/SRRT Library Union Task Force

January 11, 1983

REVIEWED FOR CONFORMANCE WITH
GUIDELINES *M. Lightner*
by Council Resolutions Committee

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RESOLUTION FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE NCMHI DATABASE (CD#24) - Exhibit 26. On motion by Ann K. Randall/Hannelore B. Rader, it was

VOTED, That the American Library Association conveys its concern to the National Institute of Mental Health, Department of Health and Human Services, Alcohol, Drug Abuse and Mental Health Administration over the discontinuance of government support to update the National Clearinghouse for Mental Health Information Database, and the resulting limitation of access to human services information for educators, health care providers and the general public at reasonable cost.

RESOLUTION ON REMARC EDITING CLOSING (CD#25). Joan Goddard/Elizabeth Talbot placed on the floor the resolution that requested the ALA president to form a task force of appropriate ALA members to assess Carrollton Press' employment practices related to ALA Policy 54.11 and the effect on bibliographic standards resulting from Carrollton Press' closing of its Berkeley, California, Branch on January 8, 1983, with a first report to the ALA Executive Board at its Spring 1983 meeting for action. Uncertain of the appropriateness of ALA's intervening in other than ALA directly related personnel problems, and looking forward to sufficient information on which to base a decision, which it was suggested might be available from the California Library Association, the resolution was TABLED on motion by Jane Anne Hannigan/Lucille C. Thomas. Councilor Gilbert McNamee stated that the California Library Association will report back at the Los Angeles Conference.

Concluding the Council Session, Council expressed appreciation to retiring Executive Board member Connie Dunlap, and to the City of San Antonio for the gracious atmosphere afforded by all to the ALA delegates during Midwinter.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1983 GROLIER NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK GRANT. To the Virginia Library Association, \$1,000 annual grant by the National Library Week Committee to the state library of school library media association presenting the best proposal for a public relations program, provided by the Grolier Educational Corporation. In the wake of three nationally reported censorship cases in Virginia, the VLA plans a statewide media campaign to increase citizen awareness of libraries, their resources and the basic principles contained in the Library Bill of Rights.

1983 NEWBERY AND CALDECOTT MEDALS: Newbery Medal: Cynthia Voigt, author of DICEY'S SONG, Atheneum, Publisher. Honor Books: THE BLUE SWORD, by Robin McKinley, Greenwillow Books, Publisher; DOCTOR DE SOTO, written and illustrated by Illiam Steig, Farrar, Straus & Giroux, Publisher; GRAVEN IMAGES, by