The February meeting of the Executive Board was held at the Maine Hospital Association. Present were: Cora Demon, Peggy Weir, Toni Gear, Bonnie Rickford, Don Lamontagne, Margey Read, Isabel Carroll, Mary Anne Spindler, Evelyn Greenlaw, and guest Don Bertsch. Absent were: Cindy Williams and Marilyn Dean. Evelyn presided in Cindy's absence.

I. The Secretary's Report of the January meeting was read by Bonnie Rickford. Two corrections were noted. One, Don Lamontagne's name is with a small "m". Second, Cindy Williams is speaking at the New England Hospital Assembly on March 25, not March 23. The minutes were accepted as corrected.

II. Mary Anne Spindler presented the Treasurer's Report. The current balance is $5,037.68. The membership dues should be paid by March, and at the March Executive Board meeting, the updated membership list will be presented and evaluated. The report was accepted as presented.

III. Committee Reports
A. Education Committee: Don Lamontagne reported on the results of the survey on educational priorities. The number of returns was extremely low, but out of the people who responded a need for a program on Government Documents was #1, and a tie for #2 was between Serials Management and Marketing. From this Don will be planning a fall educational program on Government Documents. The date will be set after consulting the dates of potentially conflicting meetings.

The educational program at the HSLIC Spring Meeting will be a clarification of the interlibrary loan system. The speaker will be announced after confirmation.

B. Program Committee: A question was raised regarding the date of the Spring Meeting. The selected date, May 23, 1980, is the beginning of Memorial Day Weekend, and the attendance at our meeting on that day would be questionable. Mary Anne will check alternate dates, and let us know next month what the final date will be.

C. Resource Sharing Committee: Peggy Weir reported that she and Sheila Johnson are making excellent progress on their two projects. The list of journals most borrowed out-of-state is complete and will be published in the Newsletter. The list of journals owned by only one or two libraries will probably be completed by March or April.
D. Nominating Committee: Barbara Swift submitted the recommendations of the nominating committee for the slate of officers for 1980. They are as follows, and will be voted on at the HSLIC Spring Meeting.

Chairperson          Evelyn Greenlaw  
Vice Chairperson     Mary Anne Spindler  
Treasurer            Don Lamontagne     
Secretary            Nancy Grenier      
NERMLAC Repr.        Margery Read/Jean Duty  
Region I Repr.       Sheila Johnson    
Region II Repr.      Ann Mckay       
Region III Repr.     Cora Damon       
Region IV Repr.      Wendy Troiano    
Region V Repr.       Don Bertach

IV. Margery Read reported on her Interlibrary Loan Study. She is still working on the statistics and will keep us up to date on her progress. So far, she has found that Maine is about 75% self-sufficient on interlibrary loans. That is, only 25% are filled out-of-state. This is an excellent record and very encouraging.

V. The final report on the HSLIC grant period is being prepared by W. Grant Heegie, Vice President of the Maine Hospital Association, and we expect to have a copy of the report soon.

VI. Cora Damon reviewed the HSLIC Goals and Objectives with the Executive Board.

#1. Better Educated Librarians. We are falling short on the timetable for this goal, having only one state-wide education program scheduled by spring, 1980, instead of two. However, we are planning to catch up by having a program in the fall, 1980. The area representatives will also investigate the possibility of using the telelecture system for an extra program. The Education Committee will be preparing a report for the Spring Meeting addressing their "exploration of the educational needs of librarians".

#2. Shared Resources. With the journal analysis we are right on target for this goal.

#3. Newsletter. A question and answer column has been implemented, as has the publishing of Union List updates. Articles are being solicited for the newsletter, but with little response so far. If members do not volunteer to write an article, Evelyn will be calling on individuals to do so.

#4. Organized Structure and Long Range Goals and Membership Criteria will be addressed after the Spring Meeting and are scheduled to be accomplished by October, 1980.
VII. Mary Anne Spindler has received no response yet from the New Hampshire and Vermont group organizing a "Professional Association of Librarians".

VIII. York Hospital has a new librarian, Darryl Harmon, who has replaced Sasha Dow.

IX. Margery Read recounted the "History of Medline" in Maine for the Executive Board. Terminals are currently at Maine Medical Center, VA Togus, Central Maine Medical Center, and Eastern Maine Medical Center. The VA provides free searches for Region III users only. CMMC now has a grant underwriting the costs to Region II users. It is the feeling of the Executive Board that there are some problems in various areas of the state, but that the Board does not wish to pursue it at this time. Individual libraries with problems with the system should contact the libraries in question personally to try to work out differences.

The Executive Board adjourned until its next meeting on Wednesday, March 12, 1980, at the Maine Hospital Association in Augusta.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Bickford, Secretary

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