HEALTH SCIENCES LIBRARY AND INFORMATION COOPERATIVE

The winter meeting of the HSLIC was called to order by Cora Damon at St. Mary's Hospital, Lewiston, on January 7, 1976 at 10:00 a.m.

Catherine Smith made a brief statement thanking the co-operative for letting her serve the past two years and expressed her optimism in its success. She stated that she felt a lack of a coordinator inhibits our growth, activities and our completion of projects; therefore has hopes the grant will be forthcoming.

The new slate of officers was introduced and passed as submitted. They are: Chair-Cora Damon, Co-Chair-Rachel Dutch, Treasurer-Jean Doty, Secretary-Judy Littlefield. Area Leaders: Portland/Lewiston-Eleanor Cairns, Augusta-Mary Wandersee, Coastal-Nancy Greenier, Bangor-Catherine Smith, North-Marilyn Dean, University-Julie Talman.

Melda Page reported she was working on statistics and making a comparison of the journals held and those requested. She said arrangements are now being made for possibly holding a NLM course at the Maine Library Association meeting in May in Rockport. We will also have a lecture that will probably be on nursing literature during the convention.

The New England Hospital Assembly meeting in March will offer a lecture on reference questions that will in part be handled by Melda.

Dr. Fink gave a brief report on the grant status--it is pretty much unchanged and we have been given an unofficial green light from Peter Clepper's office and he (Peter Clepper) has stated he will be available for advice.

Priscilla Platt reported the progress on the Union List. We should have a print-out soon.

Betty Feeney was then introduced. She gave a brief history of NERMLS. She explained the Library Training Institutes which have trained 277 students--36 from Maine. We were finally given the information regarding NERMLS sub-contracting for reprint service. Each of the New England states except Maine has a library for reprint service, therefore, the Countway feels responsible to Maine--realizing it is different. She asked us to please keep a tally of time for document delivery during the month of February because they will be using 4th class mail instead of 1st in an effort to reduce costs.

There was then a short tour of the True-Gerrish Library.

Jean Doty reported a balance of $543.91.

Respectfully submitted:

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Secretary