MINUTES KLA GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS ROUNDTABLE

The spring meeting of the Kentucky Library Association Government Documents Roundtable was held Friday, May 8 at the University of Louisville Ekstrom Library. Present were Jay Hoffman, Brenda Fuller, Vickey Baggott, Cindy Etkin, Sharon Marsh, Mary Quin, Rae Shepherd-Shleckter, Nancye Whitehead, Lee Caruthers, Robin Luger, Sandra McAninch, Roxanna Jones, Nuzhat Hasan, Gwen Curtis, Connie Gray, Pat Yannarella, Phil Yannerella, Pat Antrim, Carol Green, and Eileen Haddix.

Lee Caruthers, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. An agenda, minutes of the fall meeting and other documents were distributed. Lee made announcements about the day's activities.

Lee announced that a fund has been established with the Kentucky Nature Conservancy in memory of Peggy King. KLA/GODORT has made a contribution to the fund. The money will be used toward the purchase of land for nature preservation. Contributions can be made to the Kentucky Nature Conservancy, 642 West Main St., Lexington, Kentucky 40508.

Longstanding member and former chair of KLA/GODORT, Connie Gray, will be retiring from the University of Louisville in June. Lee presented Connie with a plaque of appreciation from the Roundtable.

Eileen Haddix announced that she has received no reports from the KLA office concerning the treasury balance or membership. No major expenditures have taken place since the fall meeting, so the balance should be close to that reported in the fall minutes.

Lee asked if the committee to consider establishing the office of Chair-elect had a report. However, no members of the committee were present, and no report was given.

Sandy McAninch led a discussion of the recent inspection. Concern was expressed about some of the methods of measurement used to determine compliance with the guidelines, i.e., the number of item selections in relation to library size. Librarians are unfamiliar with a guideline that pertains to this issue. Sandy suggested that concerns be directed in writing to John Chambers at the Public Printers' Office.

Sandy announced that the regional depository has lost two technician positions, but they were replaced with one professional position. Staff shortage has necessitated revising the exchange list guidelines, and the result is a slow down in processing. Nuzhat Hasan was introduced as the person now handling exchanges. Plans are to have a professional in place temporarily by June.

Sandy announced that government document tapes have been loaded into the University of Kentucky catalog. Cindy Etkin asked about Canadian documents. Sandy said they have been distributed to other areas, but will be cataloged and available.

Discussion switched back to the inspection process. Phil Yannarella expressed concern about the criteria used to measure cooperation between libraries. The librarians agreed that the inspection guidelines and the inspection rating form no longer seem to match. They also felt that individual circumstances need to be taken into consideration. John Chambers from the Joint Committee on Public Printing arrived. Previously discussed concerns were related to him. He recommended sending letters to the Public Printer with a copy to him. Good points of the inspection were also mentioned such as thoroughness, good ideas and suggestions.

Cindy Etkin, who is Chair-elect of the KLA Academic Section, said that the Academic Section is sponsoring a speaker on "Complying with the American Disabilities Act" at the KLA Fall Conference. She asked if KLA/GODORT would consider joint sponsorship. Financial assistance would be part of our responsibility.

Roxanna Jones announced that she is trying to put together a workshop on using census products, to be held sometime in the fall. This is in response to the KLA/GODORT workshop survey. Details are still to be worked out. Roxanna also announced that changes to the state directory are still not done.

Discussion reverted back to the joint Academic Section/GODORT meeting. Cindy Etkin moved that KLA GODORT and the KLA Academic Section jointly sponsor a speaker on "Complying with the American Disabilities Act" at the Fall '92 conference on October 7-8-9, 1992; and that KLA/GODORT share the expense for lodging (up to \$100) for one night for the speaker. Roxanna Jones seconded, and the motion carried.

Cindy asked if KLA/GODORT would be interested in sponsoring a mini-session at the KLA fall conference. Government CD/ROM products was suggested as a topic. No decision was made.

The business meeting was discontinued, so that the program could begin. First on the program was Ron Krannich from the State Data Center discussing the 1990 census products. The second speaker was John Chambers from the Joint Committee on Printing. He spoke on the make-up and function of the Committee plus some of their plans for the future.

After the speakers left, the business discussion continued. The Roundtable decided to send a letter to Senator Ford outlining our concerns about the inspection process and other areas. A committee was formed to prepare a draft of a letter to be presented at the fall meeting. Sandy McAninch, Lee Caruthers, Cindy Etkin, and Phil Yannarella volunteered to serve.

The State Documents Committee has a position vacated by Mary Overbee. Pat Antrim was appointed to fill the position. Other committee members are Roxanna Jones, Sharon Marsh, Bill Richardson and Cindy Etkin.

Meeting adjourned at 3 o'clock.