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1979 CONFERENCE

CONFERENCE PLANS AND CALL FOR PAPERS

by Ann Nevill, IAMSLIC Vice-President

The 1979 IAMSLIC Conference will be held at the Marine Resources Research Institute in Charleston, South Carolina. On very short notice, Eileen Bloch, Librarian at the Institute, heroically agreed to take us on. She has already (mid-December) drafted up what looks to be a very interesting program, and will shortly be sending out a registration package with all the details.

Mark your calendars now for Wed., Nov. 7 through Friday morning, Nov. 9. (City tours on Friday afternoon will be optional.)

This year we have decided that one day (Thursday, Nov. 6) should be reserved for hearing from each other. We'd like to have a series of 20-minute (approximately) papers about what you are doing in your library or information centre that may be unique. It could be a way of handling reports, an analysis of data bases, description of a recent move, or even a list of problems that you feel input from others could help solve. What we'd like is a series of brief talks with lots of time allowed for inter-action.

So please regard this as a CALL FOR PAPERS, and send a brief description of your intended presentation to:

Eileen Bloch, Librarian
Marine Resources Research Institute
P.O. Box 12559
Charleston, South Carolina 29412.

A deadline of June 30 will give Eileen time to arrange the day and respond to contributors.

Hope to see you all in Charleston. Eileen tells me it's still beautiful there in November, which will be a pleasant change from Nova Scotia, where November is the dreariest time of year.

WOODS HOLE, 1978

(condensed from the minutes, with additions.)

The 4th Annual Meeting of the Marine Science Libraries Association met on Thursday, 28 September, 1978, in the Swope Center of the Marine Biological Laboratory, Woods Hole, MA. Carol Winn (Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution) and Jane Fessenden, (MBL) presided. Dr. Paul Gross, MBL's director, gave the welcoming address, reflecting on the preeminence of the United States in the scientific world, particularly in the life sciences, and pointing out that some modern physiology, genetics and neurobiology research originated in courses taught at MBL early in the present century. Use and support of libraries is a long tradition at Woods Hole.

Candidates for offices in the Association were then introduced: for President, Robert Richardson and Frances Swim; President-elect, Sylvia Churgin and Ann Nevill; Secretary, Ann Bowman Hall and Lucile Lehmann; Treasurer, James Farriss and Marilyn Guin. Elections were postponed until the following afternoon, to give attendees an opportunity to meet the candidates before voting.

Discussion and approval of the bylaws was also scheduled for Friday afternoon and the Bylaws Committee was presented: Chairman Robert Richardson, Frances Swim, George Gaumond, and Elizabeth Ferguson. Elizabeth Fuseler was appointed parliamentarian for the bylaws discussion.

Regional representatives to MSLA were then introduced: Marilyn Guin, western; Elizabeth Fuseler, Gulf; Eleanor Waters, southern; Nancy Huang, central; and Ann Nevill, Canadian.

James Farriss (Office of the Oceanographer of the Navy) announced the publication of SELECTED READINGS ABOUT THE OCEANS, a bibliographic listing. Comments, criticisms, and suggestions of titles for future inclusion were solicited. Copies of the READINGS are available from: James J. Farriss, III, Office of the Oceanographer of the Navy, Code N1B, 200 Stovall St., Alexandria, VA 22332.

William Stanley (National Ocean Survey) announced that an NOS publication, SUMMARY OF TECHNICAL PUBLICATIONS AND CHARTS, is available from: Chief, Physical Science Services Branch, Code C513, National Ocean Survey, 6001 Executive Blvd., Rockville, MD 20852.

Ballots for the bylaws were distributed for those who did not vote by mail.

Future MSLA meetings have been tentatively scheduled for Miami, 1979; (ed. note: later changed to Charleston, SC; see "1979 Conference" elsewhere in this newsletter.) Bedford Institute of Oceanography, Dartmouth, NS, 1980; and Charleston, SC, 1981.

A panel discussion on copyright was moderated by Elizabeth Fuseler (Library, Moody College, Texas A&M University, P.O. Box 1675, Galveston, TX 77553). Other panelists were William J. Goff (Scripps Institute of Oceanography) and Susan Barrick (Virginia Institute of Marine Science). Changes in the copyright law as it affects interlibrary borrowing and loaning, changes in ILL forms, and the necessity for keeping additional records of requests were discussed. The question of how the copyright law would affect the compilation and publication of collected reprints was raised, and a discussion followed on how various libraries handle the collected reprints problem. Anyone who has a written policy for copying (interlibrary loans or borrowing) is asked to send it to Elizabeth Fuseler. The compiled policies will be available at the next meeting.

Dr. Thomas Austin (Environmental Data and Information Service, NOAA, U.S. Dept. of Commerce, 3300 Whitehaven St., NW, Washington, DC 20235) gave a slide presentation on the EDIS, which in the future will be concerned with international and regional organization and will soon present a new plan for a cooperative network. He also discussed the advantages of increased library automation within the library system network in expanding resources; the need for reduction of duplicated effort; and improvements in access to information. Multidisciplinary requests for information are increasing; this must be provided efficiently, and to a wider range of users.

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After luncheon, Judy Ashmore and Ann White (both from MBL) moderated a workshop on interlibrary loans. The MSLA booklet of INTERLIBRARY LOAN INFORMATION was distributed, and an update to MBL's SERIAL PUBLICATIONS was announced. (editor's note: both can be obtained from Charlotte Frank, Library, Marine Biological Laboratory, Woods Hole, MA 02543.) Difficulties in borrowing state and FAO publications and foreign theses were discussed. The possibility of distributing microfiche copies instead of loaning materials was suggested.

The first 700 TECHNICAL REPORTS of the Canada Department of Fisheries and Oceans are available on microfiche from: Scientific Publications, Fisheries and Oceans Canada, Ottawa K1A0E6 Canada.

The 10-year cumulative index to Sea Grant publications is available from: National Sea Grant Depository, Pell Marine Science Library, URI Bay Campus, Narragansett, RI 02882.

Frank Shephard (P.O. Box 465, Woods Hole, MA 02543), editor of OCEANOGRAPHIC ABSTRACTS AND BIBLIOGRAPHY, which is changing its name to OCEANOGRAPHIC LITERATURE REVIEW, discussed the selected coverage of this publication, as well as future plans which include adding a quarterly author and subject index with annual cumulations.

SEPTEMBER 29, 1979

The Friday meeting was held in Clark Building, Quissett Campus, WHOI. Marine education was the theme of the speakers.

Robert W. Morse (WHOI, Graduate Studies Department) delivered the welcoming address. He also described the cooperative doctoral program of WHOI and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Prentice Stout, President of the National Marine Educators Association (Marine Advisory Service, URI Bay Campus, Narragansett, RI 02882), spoke on the aims of his organization, which promotes marine education for grades K through 12, and helps teachers by providing a variety of curriculum aids through a Marine Awareness Center at the University of Rhode Island. Other similar regional centers are planned.

Robert Shephard (National Sea Grant College Program, U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, 3300 Whitehaven St., NW, Washington, DC 20235) described the Sea Grant Program, which sponsors marine research, education, and advisory services in cooperation with state and regional groups. NOAA hopes to establish a network of 9 Regional Coastal Information Centers; 3 pilot programs now exist in New England, the Great Lakes, and the Pacific Northwest.

The business meeting, chaired by Carol Winn, was held after lunch. New officers were elected: President, Frances Swim; President-elect, Ann Nevill; Secretary, Ann Bowman Hall; Treasurer, Marilyn Guin. (Officers' addresses are listed elsewhere in this newsletter.)

A discussion of the proposed bylaws occupied most of the remaining time; the text of the minutes pertaining to this is reproduced in full on the last page.

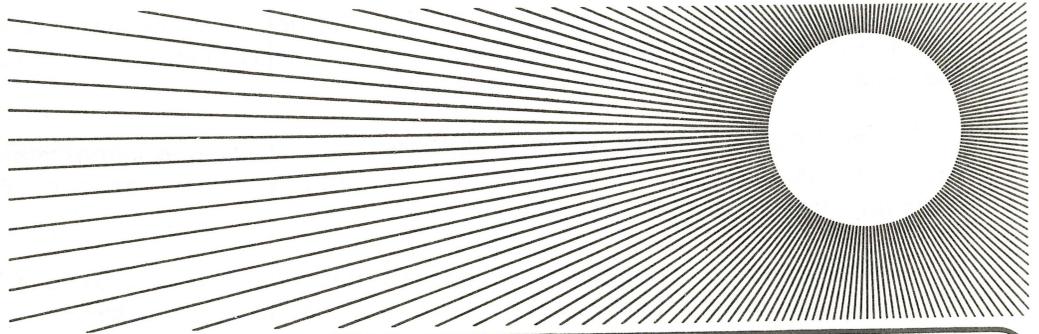
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING, 29 September, 1978

The Executive Board met after the business meeting; Frances Swim presided. Committees appointed were:

- Bylaws: George Gaumond, Elizabeth Ferguson, Margot Schenk.
- Membership: Marilyn Guin, Chairman; Eleanor Waters, Nancy Huang, Sharon Thompson.
- Program: Ann Nevill, Robert Ting.
- Newsletter, karin negoro, Judy Stout.

Carol Winn will provide a copy of the mailing list to all Board members. All money in the treasury will be turned over to Marilyn Guin; she will file for non-profit status in the United States and Canada. Dues were set at \$10.00 (U.S. and Canada) yearly.

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Robert Gibson, President of MICROMEDIA LIMITED, has announced the commencement of his organization's MICROLOG, a new system for document delivery, indexing, and full MARC cataloging of Canadian report literature. MICROLOG is an expansion of the ProFile service (which provides Canadian provincial publications) and Publicat (delivering Canadian federal documents).

The new service will include (as quoted from MICROMEDIA'S brochure) "current monographs or reports in series of reference value issued in English or French by all levels of government in Canada: federal, provincial and local; research institutions; universities, laboratories, professional societies; corporations, consultants, (and) associations."

Paper or fiche copies of documents and author and subject indexes are available.

Other MICROMEDIA services include "Public Affairs Collections" of documents of concern to specific governmental sectors (Federal, provincial or local). Also available in this category are documents not distributed to Canadian federal government depository libraries via the regular depository channels. "Geographic Collections" relate to areas of Canada: Alberta; Atlantic Provinces; British Columbia; Manitoba - Saskatchewan; E. North of 60°; Ontario; and Quebec. It should be noted that highly specialized technical documents are not included in these more general collections.

SDI services, covering both general and technical documents, are also offered.

For additional information and current prices, Mr. Gibson may be contacted at the address listed below.

**Box 502, Station S, Toronto, Canada M5M 4L8
(416) 489-8016**

U.K. MARINE SCIENCE LIBRARIES

(quoted directly from a letter sent by Allen Varley to Ann Nevill.)

Our group, which has been meeting more or less annually for over ten years, consists of representatives from the major marine science and fisheries libraries in the U.K. The main purpose is to maintain an informal information network, and I enclose a list of the names and addresses of the principal members. (see below) We have no officers; the host library of the annual meeting provides the chairman, and individual members take responsibility for co-ordinating particular projects as necessary.

Next year's meeting will be held here in Plymouth, at the Institute for Marine Environmental Research on 3-4 October (1979). We would be very pleased to welcome any of your group, either to the meeting, or at any time. The concept of joint meetings, or of representation at each other's meetings is tempting, but it is unlikely that travel funds could be obtained. On the other hand, the agricultural and the medical librarians have their international associations, so perhaps it could be feasible.

Through my involvement with the Aquatic Sciences and Fisheries Information System (ASFIS) and its publication Aquatic Sciences and Fisheries Abstracts (ASFA), I have met many marine/freshwater librarians and information workers and often (particularly those from developing countries) they have expressed the need for contact with others for the exchange of ideas and for mutual assistance. A possible FAO and/or ASFIS project will be to develop contacts between libraries.

I will send copies of your letter to principal members of the U.K. group, and I hope you don't mind if I also send a copy to Clare Cuerden, who is in charge of the Fisheries Library, FAO, Rome. Clare (an English librarian) attended our last meeting and is keen to build up a network of possible contacts.

.....U.K. MARINE SCIENCE LIBRARIES.....

Mr Henry McCall
Information Officer
Unilever Research Laboratory
Greyhope Road, Aberdeen.

Mrs C.R. Ashton
Librarian
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Burnham-on-Crouch, Essex.

Mr Arnold Myers
Information Officer
Institute of Offshore Engineering
Heriot-Watt University
Research Park Riccarton
Edinburgh.

Mr Derek Bate
Librarian
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Fisheries Laboratory
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Suffolk.

Mrs M. Paul
Librarian
Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food
Torry Research Station
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Aberdeen.

Miss Diana Black
Librarian
Institute for Marine Environmental Research
Prospect Place, The Hoe,
Plymouth, Devon.

D. W. Privett
Librarian
Institute of Oceanographic Sciences
Wormley, Godalming,
Surrey.

Mr. John Burne
Librarian
Department of Agriculture and Fisheries for Scotland
Marine Laboratory, PO Box 101,
Victoria Road, Torry,
Aberdeen.

Allen Varley
Head of Library and Information Services
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The Laboratory
Citadel Hill, Plymouth.

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Mr John Horne
Librarian
Freshwater Biological Association
The Ferry House, Cumbria,
Ambleside.

Mrs Catherine Whiteway
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Beadon Road, Taunton,
Somerset.

Mrs Katherine Jones
Librarian
Institute of Oceanographic Sciences
Bidston Observatory, Birkenhead,
Cheshire.

LIBRARY PROGRESS REPORT:

As most of you know, Bigelow Laboratory for Ocean Sciences in West Boothbay Harbor, Maine, is planning a new building which will include a library, of course. Presently, Bigelow Lab. is fortunate to be able to use the library left to the Maine Dept. of Marine Resources by the U.S. Bureau of Commercial Fisheries. This collection will remain with the Dept. of Marine Resources when Bigelow Lab. moves to other premises. Therefore, I am now building a collection for the new laboratory library.

There were many responses to my first appeal for gifts of duplicates. In particular, I would like to thank Carol Winn and Jane Fessenden and their staffs at WHOI and MBL for their very generous support and help. Susan Barrick of VIMS, Judy Brownlow of NMFS, Woods Hole, Marilyn Guin of Oregon University Station, Jean Williams of Duke University Marine Laboratory and Allison Chesney of Skidaway have all been extremely helpful. Their interest is appreciated by all at Bigelow Laboratory.

However, there are some major titles still needed. These include Deep-Sea Research pre 1967 and 1976+, Internationale Revue der gesamten Hydrobiologia pre 1979, Helgoländer wissenschaftliche Meeresuntersuchungen, Journal of Marine Research 1954+, Marine Biology, Journal of Experimental Marine Biology and Ecology, Estuarine and Coastal Marine Science. Naturally the list could go on ad infinitum, and there are more titles, particularly foreign series, that we are looking for. May I urge you to call (207)633-2173 or write if you want to know whether a certain title is of interest to us. Again, many thanks to all of you who have already been such a help in this endeavor.

Sincerely,



Kimberly Douglas
Bigelow Laboratory for Ocean Sciences
West Boothbay Harbor, ME 04575

IAMSLIC DIRECTORY OF MARINE SCIENCE LIBRARIES
IAMSLIC INTER-LIBRARY LOAN BOOKLET

Updates or additions to these publications are welcome; a new, combined edition may be available this year. Please send information to:

Charlotte Frank
Library
Marine Biological Laboratory
Woods Hole, MA 02543

FUTURE NEWSLETTERS:

Please! send copy, information, or corrections for future editions of this newsletter to: karin negoro
P.O. Box 61
Woods Hole, MA 02543

Announcements, publications, desiderata lists, appropriate humor, uncopyrighted illustrations, changes of address, position vacancies, etc., etc., are all welcome.

Thank you! to Judy Ashmore, Kim Douglas, Jane Fessenden, Ann Hall, Ann Nevill, and Carol Winn, for their help with this issue.

BYLAWS DISCUSSION (quoted from the minutes)
29 September, 1978

It was suggested that because of the negative connotation of the word "library," the word "information" should appear in the name of the organization. It was also suggested that the word "international" be included because of our Canadian contingent. After considerable discussion, it was moved, seconded, and passed that Article I be changed to read "The name of this organization shall be the International Association of Marine Science Libraries and Information Centers (IAMSLIC)."

It was suggested that in Article II the word "professional" be deleted so that people without MLS degrees would not be discouraged from joining the organization. After considerable discussion, it was moved, seconded and passed that the words "a professional, scientific or technical" be deleted from line 2, and that the article "an" be substituted; and that at the end of line 5, the word "those" be added, and that in line 6, the word "professionals" be deleted.

Deliberations up to this point had taken so much time that it was obvious that we would not complete our work for word inspection of the bylaws at this session because people were leaving to catch planes and soon there would not be a quorum present. A suggestion was made that at future conventions, the business meeting should be held first rather than last.

It was moved that because time was running out, the bylaws be accepted in toto. After much discussion the motion was defeated. It was moved and seconded that we tentatively accept the bylaws, subject to revision in the future. Following discussion, the motion was passed.

It was moved, seconded and passed that the meeting be adjourned by 4:00 p.m.

It was moved and seconded that the bylaws be accepted as written with the exception of specified sections which would be held for later discussion. All articles which were accepted would be binding, except those held which would be accepted tentatively. This motion was carried unanimously.

Articles I and II had already been accepted prior to this decision, so the group moved on to a vote on which articles and sections could be accepted as written and which would be held for later discussion and vote. Articles accepted by vote at this time, as written, were:

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| Article III, Sections 3 through 6 | Article X, Sections 2, 3, and 6 |
| Article IV | Article XI, Sections 1 through 4, 6, and 7 |
| Article V, Sections 1, 2, and 5 through 8 | Article XII, Sections 1, 2, and 4 |
| Article VI, Section 1 | Article XIII |
| Article VII, Sections 2, 3, and 5 | Article XIV, Sections 1 and 3 |
| Article VIII, Sections 2, 3, and 5 | Article XV, Sections 1 through 3 |
| Article IX, Sections 1 through 4 | |

After accepting these articles and sections of the bylaws, the group proceeded to consider those sections which had been held back for further discussion. Of these, the following were accepted by vote of the membership present, with changes as specified:

Article III, Section 1. The acronym MSLA was changed to IAMSLIC, the words "professional, scientific or technical" deleted from line 2, and the words "especially" and "these are" deleted from line 3.

Article III, Section 2. The words "except as noted in sections 3 and 4" were added following line 2.

Article V. Section 4 was deleted and sections 5 through 8 will be renumbered accordingly.

Article IX, Section 4. The following sentence is added in line 3 following the sentence ending with the words "Annual Business Meeting": "Any member attending the Annual Meeting may submit his/her vote in writing to the President prior to that meeting."

Articles and sections on which no decision was made and which remain to be reconsidered by the Bylaws Committee and to be presented to the membership for vote at the next business meeting are:

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| Article VI, Sections 2 and 3 | Article XI, Section 5 |
| Article VII, Sections 1 and 4 | Article XII, Section 3 |
| Article VIII, Sections 1 and 4 | Article XIV, Section 2 |
| Article X, Sections 1, 4, and 5 | Article XV, Section 4. |

Dues

IAMSLIC personal membership dues have been set by the Executive Board at \$10.00 (U.S. or Canadian) per year; institutional fees at \$20.00. They may be paid by check or money order payable to IAMSLIC, and sent to:

Marilyn Guin
Marine Science Center Library
Oregon State University
Newport, OR 97365

name _____
institution _____
address _____

___ personal membership: \$10.00 ___ institutional fee: \$20.00

