

Minutes of the
Fall Meeting of the
Government Documents Roundtable
Kentucky Library Association
October 2, 1986

The Fall Meeting of the Government Documents Roundtable was held at the Ramada Inn, Louisville, Kentucky, during the Annual Meeting of the Kentucky Library Association. Those people attending were: Paul Cammarata, Brenda Fuller, Sharon Marsh, Jan Wren, Rose M. Oniewski, Philip Yannarella, Pat Yannarella, Cindy Etkin, Sandra McAninch, Calvin Gross, Allison Anderson, Charles L. Brown, Lee Caruthers, Pat McFarling, Connie Klimke, Mary Beth Garriott, Ellen Shiba, Barbara Hale and Cheryl Jones (there were other people attending the meeting who entered after the attendance sheet was circulated). Paul Cammarata, Chair, called the meeting to order.

Cheryl Jones of the University of Kentucky Law Library gave a session on access to Kentucky legislative information. Cheryl covered such tools as the LEGISLATIVE RECORD for tracing bills, determining officers of the General Assembly and legislative action. Once bills have passed both houses of the General Assembly they are then accumulated as law in KENTUCKY ACTS which cumulates to form the KENTUCKY REVISED STATUTES, a privately produced set that includes pocket parts and supplements. KENTUCKY REVISED STATUTES contains the text of Kentucky laws that are now enforced. Regulations differ from statutes in that they come from administrative agencies to help implement the statutes. Regulations are cumulated by the KENTUCKY ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS SERVICE and are updated by the ADMINISTRATIVE REGISTER OF KENTUCKY. On the judicial level slip opinions are issued for the Court of Appeals and the state Supreme Court. In their final form these opinions are published collectively with other state court opinions in the SOUTHWESTERN REPORTER and separately for Kentucky in KENTUCKY DECISIONS. THE KENTUCKY LAW SUMMARY is privately issued and carries summaries of decisions. Kentucky Attorney General Opinions are also issued in slip format and a final bound version (which does not contain all the opinions issued in slip format). Cheryl recommends for basic minimum access to Kentucky legislative information that a library should have the LEGISLATIVE RECORD, KENTUCKY REVISED STATUTES (KRS), KENTUCKY ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS SERVICE (KAR) and KENTUCKY DECISIONS.

The minutes for the 1986 spring meeting were approved and Barbara Hale gave a status report on the finances of the Roundtable (report attached). The officers of the Roundtable are still having difficulty in obtaining confirmation from the KLA executive office as to the exact financial status of the Roundtable. Paul plans to contact other Roundtable Chairs to see if they are having as much difficulty as our Roundtable in acquiring this information.

Three draft resolutions were presented to the Roundtable by Sandra McAninch for votes (see LTD, no. 40, December 1986 for text of resolutions). The draft resolutions were read and passed by the Roundtable members present. The members decided that copies of the resolutions should be sent to the Public Printer, Kentucky Legislative Delegation, Chair of the Joint Committee on Printing and to the Academic Section of KLA.

After passing the resolutions Sandra asked the Roundtable members for questions/suggestions/options that she could present to GPO at the Depository Library Council to the Public Printer Annual Meeting that was to be held in mid-October. Some of the points brought up by the members concerning the ceasing of dual format distribution were:

- 1) will there be paper documents available for sale if depository copy is made available in microfiche only?
- 2) could paper copies of documents still be made available to the regional depositories?
- 3) could GPO delay its decision until the depository community could see what the impact of the April titles chosen for microfiche conversion would be?
- 4) how much is GPO saving from the suggested April titles that were to be converted to microfiche?
- 5) would one free copy of Congressional hearings still be available from the Senate Documents Room?
- 6) does GPO assume that microfiche will be used in the same way as paper documents are:
- 7) could some titles that were made available only in microfiche be removed from item selection lists, offering these titles to regionals only?
- 8) make available a more detailed item number list to select or deselect titles from, i.e., move toward a one-to-one ration between specific titles and their item number;
- 9) if GPO implements the decision to cease dual format distribution, will they give the depository library community ample time to set up subscriptions so that there will not be holes in our collections?
- 10) will time-sensitive material still be available quickly?
- 11) what does GPO consider as acceptable for release of time-sensitive material?
- 12) would the time-table that currently exists for distribution of publications in microfiche still be possible with the more extensive distribution in this format?
- 13) the core collection that all depositories must collect should have one item number;
- 14) GPO should do an efficiency study;
- 15) items being consistently rainchecked to depository libraries should be removed from selection if libraries are never going to get the items rainchecked.

Finally, Sandra was asked to voice the Roundtable's concerns on funding for GPO/MARC tapes.

Suggestions for the Spring Meetin were taken and Centre College Library will be the site of this meeting. More information will be forthcoming.

KLA/GODORT TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash-on-hand	\$30.75
Membership dues 1985 (check returned to KLA)	\$50.00
Membership dues 1986	\$50.00 (est.)
Membership dues 1987	\$40.00 (est.)
Sale of "Documents to the People" notebooks (donated by R. Harleston-check sent to KLA)	\$ 6.00
TOTAL BALANCE	\$176.75 (est.)

Respectfully submitted,
 Barbara Hale
 Secretary/Treasurer, KLA Government Documents Roundtable