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PRESIDENT'S CORNER
Mary Elizabeth Clack

In this final President's Corner, I would like to thank all of our members who contributed to accomplishing our goals this year. Our committees worked long and hard to fulfill NASIG's mission. Copies of many of the committee reports appear in this issue.

In addition to these activities, the Board was able to take the first step in a strategic planning process and begin planning our first joint conference with the Society for Scholarly Publishing.

Our Board members lend tremendous support and energy to all of our efforts. We welcome newly-elected member Dan Tonkery and newly-appointed secretary Lisa Petersen, who will fill Teresa Malinowski's term since Teresa became Vice President/President-Elect. We thank Rosanna O'Neill and Roger Presley for their years of service on the Board, and for their willingness to remain active in NASIG.

I have the pleasure of working with our conference planners for a few more weeks prior to the conference. They continue to work tirelessly on our behalf and make a significant contribution.

I will soon step back to the position of Past President, sending very best wishes to Ann Okerson and the 1991/92 Board and committees, confident that they will continue NASIG's good work, spirit of cooperation and contributions to the serials community at large.

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NASIG BYLAWS COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 1990/91
Martin Gordon

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Sylvia Martin, Vanderbilt University (Executive Board liaison)
Elaine Rast, Northern Illinois University
Joyce Tenney, UMBC (secretary)
David Winchester, Washburn University (tabulator)

It is my pleasure to submit the annual report of the By-Laws Committee for 1990/91.

The Committee welcomes two new appointees, Joyce Tenney (UMBC) and David Winchester (Washburn University) who joined the expanded committee as of the close of the 5th Annual Conference at Brock University in Ontario, Canada. The current size of 5 members has enabled the Committee to meet its charge in a more efficient and labor distributed manner.

In the first quarter of 90/91, the Committee drafted, reviewed and later received approval from the Executive Board at their January 1991 meeting to operate under a set of guidelines designed to facilitate in an equitable manner all proposed Bylaw revisions sent to it. In a related action, a form for formal submission of a proposed amendment as well as an information/ballot device were designed.

Using both these models, the Committee received, reviewed and submitted to the Executive Board and then the general membership, three amendment proposals. Proposal 002 "Limit General Membership Nominations" was rejected by a general membership ballot as specified in Article XII., Section 1. of the Bylaws. Proposal 003 "Executive Board Eligibility" and Proposal 004 "Standing Committee Appointments" were approved in a like manner. On behalf of the Committee and the Executive Board liaison, I would like to personally thank the almost one-third of the general membership who responded to the ballot and most especially Joyce Tenney who collated and effected the mailing as well as David Winchester who tabulated and reported the results in a timely manner.

Revised Bylaws (adopted per the above balloting as of 4/24/91) will be available at the 6th Annual Conference at Trinity University, and from the Chair of the Bylaws Committee upon receipt of written request.

The Bylaws Committee will meet on Saturday, June 15, 1991 from 5:15 to 6 p.m. at Trinity University, San Antonio, Texas during the 6th Annual Conference. All interested NASIG members are invited to attend.

NASIG CONTINUING EDUCATION COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 1990/91
Bonnie Postlethwaite

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Bonnie Postlethwaite, Tufts University (chair)
Arlene Sievers, Case Western Reserve University
Mary Ellen Soper, University of Washington Library School
John Tagler, Elsevier
Elaine Rast (Executive Board Liaison)

The Continuing Education Committee consists of several subcommittees whose accomplishments for the past year follow.

Serials Management Workshop
This has been the most active part of the Continuing Education Committee. The workshops provide an opportunity to bring together perspectives on serials work by presenters from the publishing, vendor and library worlds. Local serials librarians have been tapped to cover the library view of serials processing. We have been fortunate to tap the expertise of vendors and publishers who are either travelling to the region or are local to it. Library Schools have sponsored these programs, although the majority of the attendees have not been library school students, but rather working librarians. Workshops given in FY91 were:
In addition to the two workshops held, another is being planned for the Boston area. Buzzy Basch and John Tagler have provided outlines of the vendor and publisher portions so that anyone doing those sections have a general outline to follow. Finally, we have had Mary Ellen Soper explore other ways of reaching library school students as these current workshops seem to be of greater interest to serials librarians.

Task Force on Regional Seminars
Janice Lange has been in contact with the NASIG Regional Council representatives in order to determine ways the Continuing Education Committee can develop regional programs.

Support Staff Programs
Marifran Bustion was working with the Texas Library Association for another preconference workshop at the TLA meeting in May. The topic was again on binding with vendors giving demonstrations of how various binding equipment works for in-house binders. TLA later decided that it would sponsor the workshop alone. Marifran has attempted contact with COLT to determine if there is some possibility of co-sponsorship of programs for support staff around the country.

Speakers' Bureau
Gerry Williams had been coordinating efforts for the Speakers' Bureau. Due to lack of use, and apparent interest, we suggest the discontinuance of the Speakers' Bureau. Only 14 speakers registered and no one requested speakers.

NASIG PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 1990-91
Patricia Ohl Rice

Newsletter
The Publications: Newsletter Committee, which has had a very successful and productive year under the leadership of Editor-in-Chief Jean Callaghan, is issuing a separate report. Since this Committee functions entirely independently of the Publications Committee, I recommend that the names of both committees be changed to reflect their independent status.

Fifth Annual Proceedings

Costs incurred during the editorial process amounted to $357.36 for word processing. Rosanna O'Neil indexed the volume, saving NASIG the cost of free-lance indexing contracted out by Haworth.

The co-editors and Rosanna O'Neil chose maroon with gold stamping as the binding option for the hard cover version. The results are pleasing, and we recommend to the Board that the same colors be used in all future volumes in order to create and maintain a "look" for the series.

The co-editors also recommend to the Board that all future volume titles have the following format:

[Title proper]:
Proceedings of the North American Serials Interest Group, Inc.
Nth Annual Conference
[Date]
[University]
[Place]

Sixth Annual Proceedings
The Executive Board contracted with Haworth Press to publish the sixth annual proceedings under the same timetable as in previous years. The manuscript will be prepared in July 1991; The Serials Librarian version and the hard cover monograph version will appear in early 1992. Co-editors for the sixth annual proceedings are Suzanne McMahon, Pam Dunn, and Miriam Palm, all of Stanford University.

Chair
Because of pressing professional and personal circumstances, I have asked to be relieved of the office of Chair. I will guide this year's co-editors through the editorial process as needed, but request the Board to seek a replacement for me in the Fall of 1991. I will forward to the Board names of potential candidates from my files of volunteers for the editorship.
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Membership Brochure
The Regional Council and Membership Sub-committee members were Bill Tiffany (Chair), Anna McCalla, Bobbie Carlson, and Rita Broadway. This committee was responsible for writing, editing, printing, and distributing a membership brochure for NASIG. The brochure includes a membership form as an insert card. Three thousand brochures were printed and distributed to the provincial/state representatives, the Regional Council and the Executive Board.

Responsibility Statement
The Regional Council and Membership Committee, in its first year of existence in its present structure, finalized a responsibilities statement and chose sample recruitment letters to be used in soliciting members. The committee distributed the letters and the responsibility statement to provincial/state representatives.

General Recruitment Activities
Regional council coordinators and provincial/state representatives continued to emphasize informal membership recruitment, but several states used special methods of recruitment. In Kentucky a special membership solicitation was conducted by mail to possible new members in the state. The new brochure was used in this mailing. In Alabama the state representative, Beth Holley, in conjunction with a questionnaire that she distributed to back issue dealers, sent NASIG membership information to these dealers. In Indiana, Julie Su, the state representative, rented a NASIG membership booth at the state convention to promote NASIG. Since the annual NASIG convention is in Texas, a special letter was written in Spanish and mailed to librarians and others in Mexico who may be interested in joining NASIG. Additionally, the Regional Council was given the
mailing list from the Society for Scholarly Publishing. There are 662 journal publishers on this list. Also, there are libraries and universities listed. We may be interested in sending membership information to all of these people.

Number of NASIG Members
There were 873 members as of 5/14/91. There are new members that have not been added to the database.

NEW YORK TECHNICAL SERVICES LIBRARIANS MEETING
Don Jaeger

The New York Technical Services Librarians Annual Reception was held on Friday, March 22 at the New York Public Library. Approximately twelve organizations contributed to the Wine and Cheese Reception including NASIG. Other sponsors included regional groups of the Medical Library and Special Library Associations, ASIS and ACRL to name a few.

As the metro New York membership representative, I was pleased to speak briefly to the group about NASIG and also distribute membership applications for their consideration.

It was also great to see NASIG-ites, Minna Saxe and Tina Feick at the reception.

[Don Jaeger is President and CEO of Alfred Jaeger, Inc.]

UNITED KINGDOM SERIALS GROUP 14TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE
Elaine Rast

8TH-11TH APRIL 1991
UNIVERSITY OF YORK, ENGLAND

York, England greeted attendees to the UKSG annual conference with a spectacle of thousands of daffodils cheerfully waving their welcome on the slopes rising up the old city wall. The sight was totally overwhelming and a complete thrill whenever I observed it, and is even now when I recall it. The primroses were also at their best, and presented a rainbow of reds, yellows, and purples. Some flowering trees were also beautifully decked in whites and pinks, and added to the colorful display. All in all, I took this to be a good omen with regard to the upcoming conference, and as you will see, I was not disappointed.

Tuesday, April 8, the first day of the conference, was a windy, and partly sunny, or partly cloudy day, depending on your perspective. The University of York, one of the newer English universities, is situated on the site of a former marshland. The land was drained to create a rather good sized lake, around which all of the buildings are located. This makes it necessary to use the many bridges to get from one spot on campus to another. On breezy days, the walks across these bridges could be quite a chilling experience.

Gordon Graham, editor of the new journal LOGOS, delivered the keynote address, "The Journals Crisis: Origin and Resolution." Mr. Graham discussed the delicate balance between supply and demand in the world of publication. The proliferation of journals in the 1970's is now responsible for the crisis in serials. and many libraries are being forced to cancel subscriptions. For example, the British Library expects to cancel 1,000 subscriptions per year, for each of the next ten years. However, a tight market is not necessarily bad, because the classic journals will remain, and the quality of these journals that do survive will improve. As for the future of the book, Mr. Graham has no fears, for as he quoted, "A book, a book, I can hold it in my hand."

"The End of Serials As We Know Them?" was the topic of Alan Gomersall's (British Library, Science Reference and Information Service) presentation. The British Library has purchased very few monographs in the sciences in the last two years, and has concentrated most heavily on serials. Because the publication of journals is so bloated, the emphasis should be turned from quantity of articles to quality. Mr. Gomersall feels peer review should become more rigorous, so quality would naturally improve.

Deborah Kahn of Chapman and Hall Publishers in "Managing the Serials Output" reiterated the problem of the glut of material to be published. She also encouraged the application of higher standards for referees, but realized it is difficult for a reviewer to turn down a paper that is almost as good as the one he/she could write.
The subject "Radical Solutions to Intractable Problems," was approached by David Whitaker of J. Whitaker & Sons. Who is responsible for the chaos in the publishing of serials today? Is it too many academics who need to publish to maintain their positions? Is it the greedy publishers, who are really only out to make an honest dollar? Or is it the librarians, who are desperately trying to serve their patrons? Mr. Whitaker offers no easy solutions, but says all three are at fault. The academics should refere more strenuously, the publishers should be good servants for the progress of knowledge, and librarians should look for excellence, and subscribe only to those journals which are of value and are used.

Lindsay Mitchell from the University of Limerick, Eire tackled the topic of "Serials and Integrated Library Systems." She described the implementation of the URICA Serials module at the University, and emphasized the need for any system to serve both the library staff and library users.

"Micro-computer Based Serial Systems" was delivered by Hilary Dyer from Loughborough University of Technology. Reasons for automating serials control, problems and pitfalls, and the choosing of a system were presented.

Fritz Schwartz from The Faxon Company, USA gave a presentation singing the praises of SISAC as a means of serials check-in made easy. The SISAC symbol is an accurate and economical way to denote serial issue specific information. It can be used by both the publisher and librarian for check-in, inventory control, document retrieval, and Electronic Data Interchange (EDI). A study by Faxon revealed an astounding bit of information: all of the Faxon Companies receive a total of 2.5 million claims per year, and 80 percent of these are claimed prematurely by libraries.

Wednesday, April 10 was a foggy, chilly, overcast day, but the breakfast kippers buoyed the spirits of the author and one of the other Americans in attendance, Kenneth Kirkland from DePaul University. Incidentally, Joseph Gabriel from the University of Lowell, MA was the only other American in attendance. The business of the day began with a report by Hazel Woodward on the success of the 1st European Serials Conference, which was attended by representatives from twenty-two countries. A second conference is being planned for September 1992.

Penny Buckland of the Book Development Council discussed "Serials and the Third World." The economic crisis linked to oil has contributed to the woes of many universities and polytechnic libraries in developing countries. Many book and journal budgets have been seriously cut or have completely disappeared. Aid money from private agencies such as the Ford and Rockefeller Foundations have plugged some of the gaps, but too frequently libraries are not included in project proposals, and are lumped under miscellaneous. In these cases, it rarely provides the library with ample funding. Optimistically, there are some signs of serious interest and investment in these developing countries' libraries.

NASIG representative, Elaine Rast discussed "Key Issues in North America." Issues facing serials librarians in North America are not too much different than those which face librarians in the United Kingdom. The progress of the '80s will appear routine in comparison to the rapidity with which technology will evolve in the next decade. These dynamic changes will make it necessary to assist staff to deal with 'technostress,' to maintain or even increase service and access, and to meet unrealistic user expectations. All of this will be done within the context of budget reductions. The key to meeting these opportunities lies within the ability to encourage library staff to discover their personal strengths and capitalize on them, to approach strategies in a positive realistic manner, and to promote ourselves and our institutions. Our ability to survive as we enter the 21st century centers around a single word: adaptability.

"The Serials Collection as a Reflection of Social and Political Change," was given by Dianne Man, of the University of Witwatersrand in South Africa. The tremendous social and political changes in South Africa have had a profound effect on the availability of library materials. Banning of materials meant that certain publications were removed from the shelves and locked away. Boycotts and sanctions prevented the sending
of materials to South African libraries from overseas publishers. Under the "new" South Africa it is hoped collection development will find a new freedom of expression.

The sun smiled on us on Thursday, April 11, the last day of the conference. Mama Mallard was proudly parading her ducklings for everyone to see, and the geese were still incubating their family-to-be. The session opened with Robert Kimberly of the Institute for Scientific Information who presented "ISI on JANET, On Disc and On the Shelf." By using ISI databases over JANET (Joint Academic Network) for an upcoming five-year period, academic institutions will have access to information for a fixed annual fee. This development offers great promise for libraries to extend end-user access to secondary information, and thus to improve serials use.

"CD-ROM and Beyond," was discussed by Tony McSean of the British Medical Association. CD-ROM is the first means of database distribution cheap enough to attract volume sales. Mr. McSean is not a great fan of CD-ROMs. He feels they are simply a temporary measure to serve access needs until more sophisticated access will appear. New technology in the form of flash chips, voice systems, magnetic storage, and data broadcasting hold even greater promise for data distribution.

Cliff McKnight of the IIUSAT Research Institute investigated "The Electronic Journal: A User's View." BLEND (Birmingham & Loughborough Electronic Network Development) and Project Quartet are two different approaches to the development of an electronic journal. BLEND was based on a remote central host computer and Project Quartet used desktop microcomputers. In either case, the electronic journals, which were accessed electronically seriously hampered browsing, made finding topics of interest by serendipity, virtually impossible, and even finding exactly what you wanted was difficult.

Chris Beckett's (Blackwell's Periodical Division) paper "Standards: Who Needs Standards? Data Transfer Within the Serials Industry," investigated EDI. EDI first began in the USA in 1975 with the development of industry-wide standards for the transportation industry. In the last two years, the publishing and serials industries have taken increased interest in their application of EDI.

In addition to the plenary sessions, workshops on a variety of topics were presented. Among them were: "Claims: Is Automation the Answer?" "Automated Serials Systems;" "Spreadsheet and Database Applications;" "Good Practice for Serials Publishing;" "What Do You Want From Your Subscription Agent?" and "Bypassing the Library: The Impact of End-User Searching."

Tours were available to the British Library Document Supply Centre (BLDSC, formerly The Lending Library), Boston Spa; The Morrell Library at the University of York; Rowntrees (candy manufacturers) Technical Library and Site, York; Castle Howard, an 18th century baroque home; the Library of York Minster; a walking tour of York; and the Castle Museum, York. The author opted for the British Library at Boston Spa, where we arrived after a pleasant ride through the British countryside. The BLDSC is situated on 60 acres, and just its physical appearance is overwhelming. It is the largest resource of its kind in the world: housing 143 kilometers of shelved documents, 211,000 serial titles, almost 3,000,000 books, and over 2,700 kilometers of microfilm, and at least 3 million reports on microfiche. It is the hub of the interlibrary loan system, and collects journals irrespective of subject and language. Its current annual subscriptions number 55,000 titles. A staff of 750 process more than 3 million documents per year, or 12,000 worldwide requests per day. These are delivered either by post or electronically. Needless to say, it was a most enlightening and fascinating experience, and will add to my appreciation of the work done by BLDSC.

There were also several interludes away from the usual world of serial work at the conference. The UKSG includes exhibitors as part of its offerings. Approximately fifteen publishers and vendors were showing their wares. Tea and coffee breaks were held in the exhibition area, so attendees could browse among the exhibits. Especially attractive were the booths which had a steady supply of chocolates. Other extracurricular activities included a Javanese gamelan.
concert, a Barn Dance (actually folk dancing), and a disco on the last evening. All these social gatherings were excellent opportunities to visit with the many other librarians, some of whom hailed from Canada, Norway, The Netherlands, Sweden, Finland, Denmark, France, Switzerland, South Africa, and Luxembourg, in addition to the representatives from the UK.

Next year UKSG will be holding their 15th annual conference in Edinburgh, Scotland. The dates are March 30 through April 2, so start saving your nickels now to attend what should be a thrilling, uplifting, and spectacular experience.

ARL TO PRODUCE DIRECTORY OF ELECTRONIC PUBLICATIONS
Ann Okerson

As part of its keen commitment to promote networked academic journals and other serials, the Association of Research Libraries (ARL) plans to publish a directory of electronic journals, newsletters, and scholarly discussion lists/interest groups. These represent publications which are created and distributed principally for Bitnet, Internet, and any affiliated academic networks, largely for free.

The directory will be available at the end of June. It will contain some 30 journal listings, about twice that number of newsletters, and over 1000 scholarly lists. Its length is anticipated to be close to 200 pages. Preliminary pricing estimates are approximately $10 - $12 to members and double that for non-members. A final price and release date will be advertised in early June.

Editor of the journals/newsletters section is Michael Strangelove, University of Ottawa. Strangelove's list will be available through the Ottawa University network sometime in June. Editor of the scholarly discussion lists/interest groups section is Diane Kovacs, Kent State University Libraries. For some months, she has maintained such listings as adjunct files to networked lists such as HUMANIST, ARACHNET, Lsttown, and Libref-L. Each electronic "serial" will be described and clear directions about how to subscribe, send submissions, and access retrospectively will be provided. To ensure that the reader is given accurate and up-to-date information, entries have been supplied or verified by the editors themselves. The listings are compiled with the intention of providing the uninitiated networker with clear directions on how to navigate the sometimes puzzling world of electronic scholarship.

ARL is producing the printed directory because of calls virtually daily requesting such information. If there is indeed sufficient demand for the work, the directories will be updated and sold regularly. For those who prefer to retrieve electronically, the directory will point to the free and continuously up-to-date networked sources for this information, with complete access instructions.

The ARL is tentatively exploring options for funding to catalog/classify these materials, both to facilitate networked and paper access by subject and to "institutionalize" and "legitimize" new types of "serials." This effort would relate to activities of the Coalition for Networked Information (CNI) in identifying and maintaining directories of networked access and resources and to the work of individuals and institutions concerned with standards development for networked products and publications. For further information, to indicate your interest, or to place an order, contact:

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NEWSLETTER ON SERIALS PRICING ISSUES

The Association for Library Collections & Technical Services (ALCTS) and Marcia Tuttle, Editor of the Newsletter on Serials Pricing Issues, announce a transfer of responsibility for the Newsletter. Effective with the next issue the Newsletter will be issued by Marcia Tuttle on an independent basis. This change enables both the Newsletter and ALCTS to move in a variety of new directions. We have benefitted from our mutual undertaking to date and have positive expectations for future endeavors. We would like to thank the members of the ALCTSPublisher/Vendor-Library Relations Committee's Subcommittee on Serials Pricing.
Issues for serving as an editorial board for the Newsletter. They are: Deana Astle, Mary Elizabeth Clack, Jerry Curtis, Charles Hamaker, and Robert Houbeck. We would also like to recognize the many contributors for their part in the success and usefulness of this electronic newsletter.

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JOB ANNOUNCEMENT:
SERIALS LIBRARIAN

The Columbia University Libraries are seeking a serials librarian with strong analytical and problem-solving skills to assist in providing bibliographic control of serials and in planning and implementing an integrated serials control system. Reporting to the head of Serials Cataloging, the incumbent will be responsible for cataloging new serial titles, resolving problems and inconsistencies in bibliographic and holdings records, deciding on appropriate treatment of materials, and participating in library-wide planning and workflow design for serials processing. Other duties include supervising bibliographic assistants and students performing serials copy cataloging, recon, inputting, and queuing for preservation.

The Libraries currently receive over 60,000 serial titles. CLIO, the Libraries' NOTIS-based online catalog, contains records for over 40,000 serials. The Libraries are beginning to plan for integration of serials control activities in CLIO, including reexamining relationships between Serials Cataloging and Serials Acquisitions and serials processing activities in departmental libraries. The incumbent will actively assist in this planning effort.

In addition to an accredited MLS, requirements are: good knowledge of serials cataloging using AACR2, LC subject headings and classification, and MARC format; familiarity with a range of automated serials processing activities; excellent problem-solving and analytical skills; sound judgment; ability to communicate well orally and in writing; and a knowledge of one foreign language. Previous serials cataloging experience, RLIN, OCLC, or NOTIS experience, supervisory experience, and a second foreign language are desirable.

Salary ranges (which will increase 7/1/91) are currently: Librarian I: $27,500-$35,750; Librarian II: $29,500-$39,825. Excellent benefits include assistance with University housing and tuition exemption for self and family.

Send resume, listing names, addresses and phone numbers of three references, to: Kathleen M. Wiltshire, Director of Personnel, Box 35 Butler Library, 535 West 114th Street, New York, NY 10027. Deadline for applications is July 15, 1991. Columbia University is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Educator and Employer. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply.

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT:
SERIALS CATALOGER

Serials Cataloger, State University of New York at Stony Brook. Responsible for original cataloging of serials and assisting in training and supervising paraprofessional staff in bibliographic searching, copy cataloging, and related activities. ALA-accredited MLS required. Experience in serials operations in an academic or research library preferred. Knowledge of automated cataloging and/or union listing, a working knowledge of European languages, a broad subject background, and experience with NOTIS or other online systems and OCLC or RLIN are desirable. Salary: $26,500 minimum.

12 month, faculty status, tenure-track appointment, generous benefits. In order to qualify for tenure and higher academic ranks, library faculty are expected to satisfy criteria including contributing to the advancement of the profession and performing university service as well as fulfilling specific library assignments. Send resume and names of three references to Judith Kaufman, Personnel and Development Librarian, Main Library, SUNY at Stony Brook, Stony Brook, NY 11794-3300. Resumes will be accepted until the position is filled, but those received by June 30, 1991 will be given first consideration. SUNY at Stony Brook is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Educator and Employer. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply.
CORRECTIONS

In the last issue of the Newsletter Vicky Reich reported on the Coalition for Networked Information Meeting which she attended. There are two corrections to that article:
1. Clifford Lynch is the Chair of the Architecture and Standards Task Group.
2. The American Physical Society was mentioned as the American Physical Association.

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NASIG BYLAWS

Article I. Name.

The name of this group shall be the North American Serials Interest Group, Inc. (NASIG).

Article II. Objectives.

The objectives of NASIG shall be:

1. To provide a means for the exchange and dissemination of information in the network of serial publishers, vendors, dealers, distributors, binders, librarians, students and other groups or individuals with serial interests and concerns.
2. To establish and maintain among the NASIG membership a means of communicating serial interests and concerns.
3. To provide a program of continuing education for members of NASIG and other individuals with serial interests and concerns.
4. To convene an annual conference of the membership of NASIG.
5. To publish the proceedings of the Annual Conference, and any other publications as authorized by the Executive Board.

Article III. Membership.

Section 1. Membership and rights.
Active membership shall consist of individuals who remit dues, and shall carry with it the right to vote, to hold office, and to share in the benefits afforded by the objectives of NASIG.

Section 2. Dues and fiscal year.
Dues, which shall cover a fiscal year of January 1 through December 31, shall be remitted to NASIG annually by individuals desiring membership. Proposals for changes in dues shall originate with the Executive Board and shall be voted upon by the membership by a mail ballot. A two-thirds majority of those voting shall constitute a decision.

Article IV. Executive Officers.

Section 1. Titles.
The executive officers of NASIG shall constitute a president, a vice-president/president elect, a secretary and a treasurer.

Section 2. Eligibility.
Any member of NASIG shall be eligible for election to an executive office, except as otherwise stated in these Bylaws.

Section 3. Duties.
The duties of the Executive Officers shall be as specified in the parliamentary authority adopted by NASIG, except as otherwise stated in these Bylaws. In case of a continued failure by any one officer to fulfill the duties of the office, the Executive Board may, by a vote of three-fourths of its members, declare the office vacant.

Section 4. Terms of Office.
The vice president/president elect shall serve the first year after election as vice president, and the second year after election as president, and shall serve the third year after election on the
Executive Board as past president. All other executive officers of NASIG shall be elected for a term of two years. With the exception of the vice president/president elect, all executive officers shall be eligible for re-election, but shall not serve more than two consecutive terms in office without an intervening period of two years. Terms of office for all executive board members shall begin at the adjournment of the Annual Conference.

Section 5. Vacancies.
In the event of a vacancy in the office of president, the vice president shall succeed to fulfill the unexpired term and to continue in that capacity for the following full term. Any other vacancy may be filled by appointment of the Executive Board, except as otherwise stated in these Bylaws.

Article V. Executive Board.

Section 1. Composition.
The Executive Board shall consist of the executive officers of NASIG, the immediate past president and six members-at-large who shall be nominated, elected and serve in accordance with the provision of these Bylaws. Ex-officio members, appointed by the Board to assist the organization in any capacity, may serve at the pleasure of the Board.

Section 2. Eligibility.
Any member of NASIG shall be eligible for election to the Executive Board, except as otherwise indicated in these Bylaws.

Section 3. Duties.
The Executive Board, as a whole, shall have authority over the affairs of NASIG, shall submit reports and recommendations to the membership, and shall perform such other duties as specified in these Bylaws. The membership may, by a two-thirds majority of those present and voting at any meeting as provided for in Article VIII, revise the actions of the Executive Board. Each member of the Executive Board shall perform the duties inherent to Board membership. In case of continued failure of any one member to participate in the deliberations of the Board, the Board may, by a vote of three-fourths of its members, declare the office vacant. Each member-at-large shall serve as a liaison between the Board and at least one Standing Committee.

Section 4. Terms of Office.
Executive Board members-at-large shall be elected for a term of two years, and shall be eligible for re-election for no more than one additional term without an intervening period of two years. Terms of office for all members of the Executive Board shall begin at the adjournment of the Annual Conference.

Section 5. Vacancies.
Vacancies in the elected positions of the Executive Board shall be filled by appointments of the Executive Board, except as otherwise provided in these Bylaws.

Article VI. Committees.

Section 1. Composition.
Any member of NASIG shall be eligible to serve on committees. The President of NASIG shall serve as an ex-officio member of all committees, except the Nominating Committee.

Section 2. Standing Committees.
Standing committees, and their chairpersons, shall be appointed by the President with the approval of the Executive Board. The size of the committee shall be determined by its needs. These

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standing committees shall be the Nominating Committee, the Bylaws Committee, the Finance Committee, the Publications Committee, the Membership Committee, the Continuing Education Committee, the Library Science Student Grant Committee, and the Conference Local Arrangements Committee. Committees may be subdivided, and additional appointments made, with the approval of the Executive Board and the chairpersons of the committees.

Section 3. Terms of Office.
Members of standing committees, except the Nominating Committee, shall be appointed for terms of two years unless appointed by special action of the Board, and may be reappointed for a second term. Members of the Nominating Committee shall be appointed for terms of one year. In no case shall a member serve on a committee for more than two consecutive terms without an intervening period of two years. Terms of office for all committee members shall begin at the adjournment of the Annual Conference.

Section 4. Special Committees.
The Executive Board may appoint special committees for a specific purpose and for a specific term.

Article VII. Nominations and Elections.

Section 1. Nominations.
The Nominating Committee shall present candidates for the positions of vice-president/president elect, secretary, treasurer, and Executive Board members-at-large when required. Other nominations for these offices, endorsed by at least ten active members of NASIG, may be submitted in writing to the Nominating Committee. Any such nominations shall be included on the official ballot. The Committee shall endeavor to present at least two candidates for each office to be filled, and shall also provide on the ballot a space for write-in candidates for each office to be filled. Candidates shall be selected in such a manner as to insure as broad a representation as possible of NASIG constituencies and of the geographic distribution of membership. The Nominating Committee chairperson shall report nominations to the NASIG President at least ninety days prior to the Annual Conference.

Section 2. Elections.
Elections shall be held by mail ballot at least sixty days prior to the Annual Conference. Candidates receiving a plurality of votes cast shall be elected, and be so declared at the Annual Conference. In case of a tie vote, the Nominating Committee shall decide the election by lot. A written notice of those elected shall be mailed to each member within sixty days of the election.

Article VIII. Meetings.

An annual business meeting shall be called by the Executive Board, to be held at the site of, and in conjunction with, the Annual Conference. Other meetings as deemed necessary may be called by the Executive Board. Notice of meetings shall be mailed to the membership at least thirty days in advance of the meeting and shall include notice of the business to be transacted.

Article IX. Annual Review.
The accounts of the Treasurer of NASIG shall be reviewed annually by an auditor chosen by the Executive Board.

Article X. Dissolution.

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In the event of the dissolution of NASIG, all assets and property remaining after meeting necessary expenses shall be distributed to such organizations as shall qualify under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, subject to an order of the Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New York.

Article XI. Parliamentary Authority.

Robert's Rules of Order (Revised), in the latest edition, shall govern all meetings of the membership and the Executive Board in all cases where it is not inconsistent with these Bylaws. A parliamentarian may be appointed for an indefinite term by the Executive Board to serve as a consultant to the Board.

Article XII. Bylaws.

Section 1. Amendments.

Proposed amendments may be submitted in writing to the Bylaws Committee, or may be presented at any meeting of the membership. Proposed amendments shall be mailed by the Bylaws Committee to each member at least thirty days prior to the call for the vote. Voting shall be by mail ballot. Adoption shall be by two-thirds majority of those voting. An amendment shall become effective after adoption, unless otherwise stated.