

A.L.A. STAFF COMMITTEE ON WAR MOBILIZATION

MEMBERS:

Three divisional executive secretaries:

Mildred L. Batchelder - Children and Young People

Helen A. Ridgway - Public Libraries

Arthur T. Hamlin - Association of College and Reference Libraries

Director of the A.L.A. New York Office:

Mrs. Patricia O. Blair

* Director of the A.L.A. Washington Office:

Mrs. Margie S. Malmberg

Secretary of the Committee:

Beth Goodwillie - Public Relations Office

Chairman of the Committee:

John Mackenzie Cory - A.L.A. Executive Secretary

APPOINTED BY:

The A.L.A. Executive Secretary

PURPOSE:

To work on library problems in connection with plans for defense mobilization now under way in Washington and elsewhere.

MEETINGS:

To be held at times designated by the Chairman of the Committee.

* Associate Director of the A.L.A. Washington Office

M. Alice Dunlap - added to this committee on December 14, 1950

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MINUTES

The first meeting of the A.L.A. Staff Committee on War Mobilization was held Tuesday, September 12, 1950. Theodore Waller of the American Book Publishers Council was the guest at this luncheon meeting.

Mr. Waller discussed the activities of the ABPC to increase the circulation of books and the use of the library. Effective collaboration between the publishers and the A.L.A. should be easily established due to the similarity of problems they both face, stated Mr. Waller. "What is good for libraries is good for book publishers." The A.L.A. agreed to cooperate with the ABP Council in every way.

War mobilization activities of the National Conference on Mobilization of Education and of the American Council on Education were the main topics considered by the Committee.

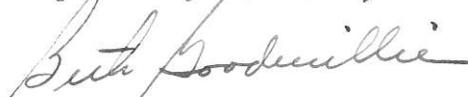
Mr. Cory described the National Conference for Mobilization of Education which he attended September 9-10, 1950, in Washington.

Arthur Hamlin gave a brief report of the American Council of Education Conference on Service of Higher Education to the National Emergency held August 5, 1950, in Washington.

The Mobilization Committee agreed to prepare recommendations for action of the Executive Board which will meet sometime in October in Washington.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,



Beth Goodwillie
Secretary of the Committee

September 14, 1950

All members with the exception of Mrs. Malmberg were in attendance.

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MINUTES

The second meeting of the A.L.A. Staff Committee on War Mobilization was held Wednesday, September 20, 1950, in Mr. Cory's office. Future meetings will be held in the film projection room.

In view of our country's present-day situation, it was agreed that the establishment of a Mobilization Committee of the American Library Association is necessary. As a result, the committee will be formally established and its members appointed at the A.L.A. Executive Board meeting in Washington. Names of possible members were suggested.

It was agreed that Arthur Hamlin would act as the A.L.A. representative to the American Council on Education. Though not essential, the choice of a second representative was considered desirable and left to Mr. Hamlin's discretion.

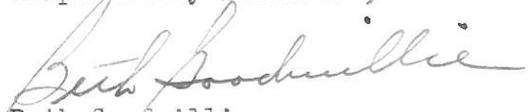
Contact having been established with the National Conference for Mobilization of Education, it was found that its Executive Board does not include representatives of formal adult education and public libraries. All agreed we should work towards the inclusion of such members on the board.

The A.L.A. Executive Board, which will meet in Washington, October 26-28, 1950, has scheduled one session for discussion of mobilization and its various phases.

All agreed that the question of the Crusade for Freedom, a fund-raising project in this country for radio-free Europe, does not fall within the scope of this committee. Therefore, it will be recommended to the International Relations Board for their consideration and action.

It was agreed that a formal, though brief, record of the meetings of this committee should be kept in the Public Relations Office. A copy of the minutes of each meeting will be circulated to the members of the committee.

Respectfully submitted,


Beth Goodwillie

Secretary of the Committee

September 25, 1950

All members with the exception of Mrs. Malmberg were in attendance.

A.I.A. STAFF COMMITTEE ON WAR MOBILIZATION

MINUTES

The third meeting of the A.I.A. Staff Committee on War Mobilization was held Thursday, December 14, 1950, in the film project conference room.

The new arrangement of the A.I.A. Washington Office was discussed and outlined as follows: Miss Alice Dunlap will become associate director of the A.I.A. Washington Office with Mrs. Margie Malmberg. Miss Dunlap's chief concern will be to maintain mobilization liaison with the A.I.A. Mrs. Malmberg will continue to concentrate on the A.I.A.'s federal relations program.

If necessary Miss Dunlap will have an assistant to help maintain this mobilization liaison. She will also have a secretary.

The Washington Office will continue to be located in the Hotel Congressional, 300 New Jersey Avenue, S.E., Washington 3, D.C. A suite of rooms has been provided for office space, two telephones will be available and a teletype will be installed both in the Washington Office and A.I.A. Headquarters. Miss Dunlap has also been authorized to subscribe to the New York Times for her office.

Mobilization problems concerning all (general) libraries will be the chief concern of Miss Dunlap. She will publicize her findings through the A.I.A. BULLETIN to the association's members.

Each division of the A.I.A. may make its own contacts via its executive secretary, but all contacts and findings should be reported to Miss Dunlap.

In turn, Miss Dunlap may make contacts for the divisions, though she is advised not to make commitments for them. Miss Dunlap may also be delegated to attend a particular meeting for a division but only when necessity prevents representation by a division member.

If a division so desires, it may set up an advisory committee on mobilization within the division. If this is done, it is recommended that a top advisory committee then be appointed to coordinate mobilization problems.

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The question arose of setting up a committee on mobilization in the Washington area. All agree that this problem should be referred to the Federal Relations Committee for consideration. If so desired, this Washington Committee on Mobilization could act as a subcommittee of the Federal Relations Committee with whom Miss Dunlap will be working on mobilization problems.

All members of the A.I.A. Staff Committee on War Mobilization agreed to keep this committee in existence.

The name of M. Alice Dunlap was added to the list of members of the A.I.A. Staff Committee on War Mobilization.

The chairman adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,



Beth Goodwillie
Secretary of the Committee

January 5, 1951

All members with the exception of Mrs. Malmberg were in attendance.