



**Alaska Library Association – Juneau Chapter**  
**Minutes, January 12, 2000**  
**Alaska State Library**

**AkLA-J meeting minutes 1/12/2000**

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Call to order: Chair Elise Tomlinson called the meeting to order at 12.08pm.

Present: Elise Tomlinson, Tahitia Orr, BJ Gardner, Daniel Cornwall, Aja Razumny, Katy Wallin, Karen Crane, Brita Rice, Rebecca Moorman. *(I know I missed someone, Elise...do you know who?)*

Minutes of last meeting: The minutes from the December meeting have gone missing. If and when they reappear, we will put them forward.

Treasurer's report: None was given as Treasurer was absent from the meeting.

Discussion of old business: As the first of the year had just passed, Elise reminded those present that AkLA-J dues were due. The current dues system was agreed upon as confusing as there is no list of who is current and/or when anyone has paid dues in the past. Some discussion followed upon how to restructure the dues system but no consensus was reached. Elise agreed to take any dues paid that day to the Treasurer.

Discussion of new business: BJ Gardner presented a letter she received from the Ketchikan Library regarding their Follett book fund raiser and a request that the Juneau chapter donate money towards their efforts. Last year, they had people write essays describing what 400 dollars worth of Follett books would do for their library and chose a winner from the entries. Concern was raised that there were no real criteria for choosing libraries and that the money may go to a library with no librarian to care for the books or a library due to close. It was agreed that before

deciding to donate money we would like to see some criteria set up. Elise volunteered to write a letter to the Ketchikan Library regarding the chapter's concerns.

Karen Crane discussed Clark (*Elise, what is Clark's last name?*), the AkLA lobbyist, request that a representative from AkLA be present at a recent fundraiser for Representative Mulder, chairman of the House Budget Committee. Elise Tomlinson went to the fundraiser which cost \$100 to enter. Karen offered to reimburse Elise \$50 personally and asked if AkLA-J could reimburse the remaining amount. There was a motion to reimburse and a second. The motion passed unanimously. Elise then gave a report on her experiences at the fundraiser. She talked about libraries and how important they are to the future of our information rich world at every opportunity. She said the experience was interesting and worthwhile.

Elise read a letter from Tracy Swaim offering to hold a training on searching techniques on the EBSCO databases. She asked if the chapter wanted to co-sponsor such an event. It was decided that AkLA-J would co-sponsor two sessions on February 1<sup>st</sup>, one at 2:30-3:30pm and one at 4:00-5:00pm at the ACS library in the Goldbelt building. Brita Rice would act as the space coordinator.

Elise presented presentation ideas from the AkLA-Anchorage chapter on what they do at their monthly chapter meetings. They have a mini-class monthly on varying topics, most of which deal with library or technology issues but not all. It was agreed that having such presentations would be of interest and may result in increased attendance. Daniel Cornwall volunteered to present information on "How to buy a computer" at the February meeting. It was suggested that Lilian Petershoare may be interested in presenting a program on book conservation and that someone from the Alaska Historical Collections may do a program on their new collection from AEL&P later in the spring.

Next meeting: The next AkLA-J meeting was set for February 16<sup>th</sup> at the University of Alaska Southeast Library from 12:00-1:00pm.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 12:50pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tahitia Orr, Secretary