

Annual Meeting
Government Documents Roundtable
October 8, 1985

Minutes

The Annual Meeting of the Government Documents Roundtable was held at the Executive Inn in Paducah, Kentucky. Phil Yanarella, Chair, called the meeting to order.

Lynn Lady of the Archives Room of the Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives spoke to the Roundtable about conducting research in the Archives Research Room. The Kentucky State Archives is the central repository for permanent public records of Kentucky state government and many of the Commonwealth's local governments. The collection of private materials is generally left to other repositories. Holdings consist of approximately 80,000 cubic feet of original materials and 22,000 rolls of film.

The Archives Research Room, located on the first floor of the Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives Building, provides access to these archival resources, as well as to state publications, county histories, maps, newspapers, microfilmed federal records and other materials relevant to the Commonwealth's past and present. The holdings of the Kentucky Genealogical Society, consisting primarily of family files and genealogy publications are also available in the Archives Research Room.

Finding aids for archival records consist of two data bases, a guide to the Kentucky State Archives and the state government data base (which generates the Checklist of Kentucky State Publications).

Lynn also mentioned the Kentucky Guide Project, that archival repositories had been surveyed, KDLA was editing data sheets from the repositories, and that a repository-level guide would be out, hopefully in January.

There was some discussion about the Checklist, Lynn stated that there would probably be an annual Checklist for 1985, but that there may be no later annual Checklists. More information about this will be forthcoming from Kathy Pratt of KDLA.

The business meeting was called to order. In the absence of the Secretary/Treasurer, the minutes for the previous meeting were not read and approved (copies of the minutes were published in LET'S TALK DOCUMENTS, no. 36, August 1985). There was no old business for discussion, new business included:

- A.) The announcement of new officers for the term 1986-1987--Paul Cammarata will serve as Chair and Barbara Hale will serve as Secretary/Treasurer.
- B.) Vote was passed on the revision of the Constitution, Phil will prepare new copies for distribution.
- C.) Phil reported on Becky Heath's reply to his letter of 6-26-85 with the information that answers to questions asked could be found in the Executive Board minutes (for questions asked, see minutes of Spring, 1985 meeting). Phil had copies of these minutes at the meeting.
- D.) Phil re-reported on the Kentucky Tax Form Project, that the committee formed to study the project recommended an improved mailing list and that

brochures shall be sent to librarians handling the project instead of Library Directors. Brochures were sent out in October, responding to brochures will get you the forms and publications, responding to the brochures will also keep you on the mailing list.

Rebekah Harleston was present and addressed the Roundtable, thanking them for the award that the Roundtable had presented to her last Fall (1984). She also donated to the Roundtable the money for the sale of four "Documents to the People" notebooks.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Hale
Acting Secretary/Treasurer