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March 23, 1991

CCCC: Boston

Members Present: Pamela Farrell, Pat Dyer, Lady Falls Brown, Nancy Grimm, Julie Neff, Sally Crisp, Teri Haas, Susan Hubbuch, Mark Shadle (substituting for Gloria Martin), Ellen Mohr, Christina Murphy, Rosemary O'Donoghue, Byron Stay, Clare Sweeney, Ray Wallace, David Healy, Ed Lotto, Diana George (ex-officio), Muriel Harris (ex-officio).

Guests Present: Eric Hobson, Alan Jackson, Judy Kilbourn, Gilda Kelsey, Maggie Hassert, Linda Bergmann, Mike Anzaldua, Susan Guitar, Dorothy L. Holley.

President Pam Farrell called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m. Members decided to have minutes of Executive Board meetings published in the *Writing Lab Newsletter* and *The Writing Center Journal*. A treasurer's report was not available because of the recent change in officers. Deadline for nominations for Executive Board positions is April 1. A ballot will be mailed to the board.

### Old Business

The board implemented a new policy for the outstanding service award. The award will be given every three years. Nominations will be submitted to a committee composed of the winners of previous awards. This year the award was presented to Jeanette Harris at the special interest group session.

Pam Farrell is coordinating plans for publication of a writing center directory. About 200 submissions have been received. Deadline is the end of April. Lady Falls Brown volunteered to help with the preparation.

Muriel Harris reminded members that the *Writing Lab Newsletter* is interested in articles on daily issues, publicity, funding, and nuts and bolts details. She stressed that there is still a need for addressing basic needs. *WLN* does not send out expiration notices. Subscribers should check the expiration date on their mailing label.

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The new editors of *The Writing Center Journal* are Diana George, Ed Lotto, and Nancy Grimm. Diana George distributed the new brochure for *WCJ*. She reminded board members that one of their responsibilities as board members was to serve as blind reviewers for submissions. She distributed a list of suggestions for responding to authors.

Dues for the National Writing Centers Association are \$25, which includes subscription to both *Writing Lab Newsletter* and *The Writing Center Journal*. Send checks to Nancy Grimm, NWCA Executive Secretary, Department of Humanities, Michigan Technological University, Houghton, Michigan 49931.

The Board received two applications for the graduate student scholarship. Members will review the applications and indicate their decision to Nancy Grimm.

The NCTE special interest session in Seattle will be entitled “What Keeps a Writing Center Going?” It is designed for writing centers at all levels, and speakers will include Pat Dyer, Lady Falls Brown, Julie Neff, Pam Farrell, and Steve Fields.

There will also be a writing center session at the Conference on English Leadership on “Writing Centers and Their Place in the School.”

Lady Falls Brown is responsible for planning next year’s CCCC session. Members should send suggestions to her.

### **New Business**

The writing center directory will be printed at Purdue. Ellen Mohr moved to charge \$15 for the directory to cover costs and mailing. The motion passed. The directory will be ready in September and advertised in all NCTE journals.

Ad hoc committees are being formed to address issues of concern to writing centers. Committees will create working bibliographies and serve as a clearinghouse. Members volunteered to take responsibility as follows: Julie Neff—special populations; M. Clare Sweeney—computers; Ellen Mohr—peer tutors; Pat Dyer—research; Sally Crisp—evaluation/assessment; Teri Haas—political issues; Ray Wallace—writing across the curriculum; Rosemary O’Donoghue—starting a writing center. Pam Farrell will

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contact someone to take responsibility for English as a second language issues.

Pam Farrell will write to Writing Program Administrators to discuss the possibility of setting up a liaison.

Julie Neff indicated that board members will be invited to her home for dinner at NCTE.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Grimm  
NWCA Executive Secretary

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Members will notice that this issue marks the first time that Executive Board minutes are published in the journal. This is a practice that we hope will keep the membership better informed as well as save paper and postage.