

Biennial Meetings and Officers of the Southeastern Library Association

1920

First Conference, Signal Mountain, Tennessee, November 12-13, 1920

1920-22

Second Biennial Conference, Signal Mountain, Tennessee, November 2-4, 1922

1922-24

Third Biennial Conference, Grove Park Inn, Asheville, North Carolina, October 16-18, 1924

President - Mary U. Rothrock, Lawson McGhee Library, Knoxville, Tennessee

Vice-President - Caroline Engstfeld, Public Library, Birmingham, Alabama

Secretary-Treasurer - Charlotte Templeton, Public Library, Greenville, South Carolina

1924-26

Fourth Biennial Conference, Signal Mountain Hotel, Chattanooga, Tennessee, April 22-24, 1926

President - Dr. Louis R. Wilson, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, North Carolina

Vice-President - Margaret V. Jones, Virginia State Library, Richmond, Virginia

Secretary - Nora Crimmins, Public Library, Chattanooga, Tennessee

1926-28

Fifth Biennial Conference, Buena Vista Hotel, Biloxi, Mississippi, November 7-10, 1928

President - Tommie Dora Barker, Carnegie Library, Atlanta, Georgia

Vice-President - Whitman Davis, University of Mississippi, University, Mississippi Secretary-

Treasurer - Ella May Thornton, Georgia State Library, Atlanta, Georgia

1928-30

Sixth Biennial Conference, Tampa Bay Hotel, Tampa, Florida, November 27-29, 1930

President - Charlotte Templeton, Public Library, Greenville, South Carolina

Vice-President - Joseph F. Marron, Public Library, Jacksonville, Florida

Secretary-Treasurer - Margaret Jemison, Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia

1930-32

Seventh Biennial Conference, Signal Mountain Hotel, Chattanooga, Tennessee, November 24-26,
1932

President - Harold Brigham, Public Library, Louisville, Kentucky

Vice-President - Helen V. Steele, Public Library, Jacksonville, Florida

Secretary-Treasurer - Beverly Wheatcroft, Georgia Library Commission, Atlanta, Georgia

1932-34

Eighth Biennial Conference (Joint meetings of SWLA and SELA) Hotel Peabody, Memphis,
Tennessee, October 17-20, 1934

President - Lillian Baker Griggs, Woman's College Library, Duke University, Durham, North
Carolina

Vice-President - Charles W. Dickinson, Jr., School Libraries and Textbooks, Richmond, Virginia

Secretary-Treasurer - Arralee Bunn, Lawson McGhee Library, Knoxville, Tennessee

1934-36

Ninth Biennial Conference, Grove Park Inn, Asheville, North Carolina, October 28-30, 1936

President - Helen Virginia Steele, Tampa Public Library, Tampa, Florida

Vice-President - Charles H. Stone, College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, Virginia

Secretary-Treasurer - Margie Helm, Western Kentucky State Teachers College, Bowling Green,
Kentucky

1936-38

Tenth Biennial Conference, Atlanta Biltmore Hotel, Atlanta, Georgia, October 26-29, 1938

President - Charles H. Stone, College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, Virginia
Vice-President - Lila May Chapman, Birmingham Public Library, Birmingham, Alabama
Secretary-Treasurer - Albert M. Johnson, Cossitt Library, Memphis, Tennessee

1938-40

Eleventh Biennial Conference, Hotel DeSoto, Savannah, Georgia, October 23-26, 1940
President - Marjorie Beal, North Carolina Library Commission, Raleigh, North Carolina
Vice-President - Fanny T. Taber, (resigned March, 1940) Atlantic County Library, Mays Landing,
New Jersey, formerly librarian, Public Library, Greenville, South Carolina
Secretary-Treasurer - Martha M. Parks, Division of School Libraries, State Department of
Education, Nashville, Tennessee

1940-42 No meeting held - World War II

1942-44 No meeting held - World War II

1944-46

Twelfth Biennial Conference, George Vanderbilt Hotel, Asheville City Auditorium, Asheville, North
Carolina, October 23-26, 1946
President - Ola M. Wyeth, Savannah Public Library, Savannah, Georgia
Vice President - F. K. W. Drury, Nashville Public Library, Nashville, Tennessee
Secretary-Treasurer - Alfred Rawlinson, Centre College, Danville, Kentucky

1946-48

Thirteenth Biennial Conference, Brown Hotel, Louisville, Kentucky, October 20-23, 1948
President - William H. Jesse, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tennessee
Vice-President - Edna J. Grauman, Louisville Public Library, Louisville, Kentucky
Secretary-Treasurer - Sarah L. Jones, State Department of Education, Atlanta, Georgia

1948-50

Fourteenth Biennial Conference, Biltmore Hotel, Atlanta, Georgia, October 11-14, 1950
President - Clarence R. Graham, Louisville Free Public Library, Louisville, Kentucky
Vice-President - Ellinor G. Preston, Richmond Public Schools, Richmond, Virginia
Secretary-Treasurer - W. Porter Kellam, University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia
Acting Executive Secretary - Dorothy M. Crosland, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta,
Georgia

1950-52

Fifteenth Biennial Conference, Biltmore Hotel, Atlanta, Georgia, October 30-November 1, 1952
President - Dr. Louis Shores, Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida
Vice-President - Dorothy M. Crosland, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia
Treasurer - Robert Alvarez, Public Library, Nashville, Tennessee
Acting Executive Secretary - Dorothy M. Crosland, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta,
Georgia

1952-54

Sixteenth Biennial Conference, Biltmore Hotel, Atlanta, Georgia, September 30-October 2, 1954
President - Dorothy M. Crosland, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia
Vice-President - Nancy Jane Day, State Department of Education, Columbia, South Carolina
Treasurer - Roy Land, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia
Executive Secretary - Richard B. Harwell, Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia

1954-56

Seventeenth Biennial Conference, Hotel Roanoke, Roanoke, Virginia, October 11-13, 1956
President - Nancy Jane Day, State Department of Education, Columbia, South Carolina
Vice-President - Randolph W. Church, Virginia State Library, Richmond, Virginia

Treasurer - Alma Hill Jamison, Atlanta Public Library, Atlanta, Georgia
Acting Executive Secretary - Anne P. Bugg, Westminster Schools, Atlanta, Georgia

1956-58

Eighteenth Biennial Conference, Kentucky Hotel, Sheraton Hotel, Louisville, Kentucky, October 23-25, 1958

President - Randolph W. Church, Virginia State Library, Richmond, Virginia
Vice-President - Lucile Nix, State Department of Education, Atlanta, Georgia
Treasurer - Sterling Bagby, Halifax County Public Library, Halifax, Virginia
Executive Secretary - Anne P. Bugg, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia

1958-60

Nineteenth Biennial Conference, George Vanderbilt Hotel, Battery Park Hotel, Asheville, North Carolina, October 13-15, 1960

President - Lucile Nix, State Department of Education, Atlanta, Georgia
Vice-President - Frances Neel Cheney, George Peabody Library School, Nashville, Tennessee
Treasurer - Isaac T. Littleton, North Carolina State College Library, Raleigh, North Carolina
Executive Secretary - Anne P. Bugg, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia

1960-62

Twentieth Biennial Conference, Hotel Peabody, Memphis, Tennessee, October 10-13, 1962

President - Frances Neel Cheney, George Peabody Library School, Nashville, Tennessee
Vice-President - Hoyt Galvin, Public Library of Charlotte/Mecklenburg County, Charlotte, North Carolina

Treasurer - Isaac T. Copeland, George Peabody College, Nashville, Tennessee
Executive Secretary - Ann W. Cobb, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia

1962-64

Twenty-first Biennial Conference, Golden Triangle Motor Hotel, Norfolk, Virginia, October 28-31, 1964

President - Hoyt R. Galvin, Public Library of Charlotte, Mecklenburg County, Charlotte, North Carolina
Vice-President/President-Elect - Dr. Archie L. McNeal, University of Miami, Coral Gables, Florida
Treasurer - Martha Jule Blackshear, Alabama State Department of Education, Montgomery, Alabama
Executive Secretary - Ann W. Cobb, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia

1964-66

Twenty-second Biennial Conference, Marriott Motor Hotel, Atlanta, Georgia, October 26-29, 1966

President - Dr. Archie L. McNeal, University of Miami, Coral Gables, Florida
Vice-President/President-Elect - John Hall Jacobs, Atlanta Public Library, Atlanta, Georgia
Treasurer - Roxana Austin, Library Education Division, State Department of Education, Atlanta, Georgia
Executive Secretary - Ann W. Cobb, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia

1966-68

Twenty-third Biennial Conference, Americana Hotel, Miami, Florida, October 30-November 2, 1968

President - Cora Paul Bomar, North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, Raleigh, North Carolina
Vice-President/President-Elect - Elaine Von Oesen, North Carolina State Library, Raleigh, North Carolina
Treasurer - Johnnie Givens, Austin Peay State College, Clarksville, Tennessee
Executive Secretary - Ann W. Cobb, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia

1968-70

Twenty-fourth Biennial Conference, Marriott Motor Hotel, Atlanta, Georgia, November 4-7, 1970

President - Elaine Von Oesen, North Carolina State Library, Raleigh, North Carolina
Vice-President/President-Elect - W. Porter Kellam, University of Georgia Library, Athens, Georgia
Treasurer - Clara Wendel, Orlando Public Library, Orlando, Florida
Executive Secretary - Ann W. Cobb, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia

1970-72

Twenty-fifth Biennial Conference (Joint Conference of SWLA and SELA), Jung Hotel, New Orleans, Louisiana, November 2-4, 1972

President - W. Porter Kellam, University of Georgia Library, Athens, Georgia
Vice-President/President-Elect - Dorothy E. Ryan, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tennessee
Treasurer - Cecil P. Beach, Tampa Public Library, Tampa, Florida
Executive Secretary - Ann W. Morton

1972-74

Twenty-sixth Biennial Conference, John Marshall Hotel, Richmond, Virginia, October 17-19, 1974
President - Cecil P. Beach, Division of Library Service, Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida

Vice-President/President-Elect - Betty Martin, Educational Planning Division, School District of Greenville, Greenville, South Carolina
Treasurer - J. B. Howell, Mississippi College, Clinton, Mississippi
Executive Secretary - Ann W. Morton

1974-76

Twenty-seventh Biennial Conference, Hyatt Regency Hotel, Knoxville, Tennessee, November 3-6, 1976

President - Betty Martin, Educational Planning Division, School District of Greenville, Greenville, South Carolina
Vice-President/President-Elect - J. B. Howell, Mississippi College Library, Clinton, Mississippi
Treasurer - Forrest C. Palmer, Madison Memorial Library, Madison College, Harrisonburg, Virginia
Secretary - Mary E. Love, Mississippi Library Commission, Jackson, Mississippi
Interim Executive Director - Dr. Mary Edna Anders, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia
Executive Secretary - Ann W. Morton

1976-78

Twenty-eighth Biennial Conference (Joint Conference of SELA and SWLA), Fairmont-Roosevelt Hotel, New Orleans, Louisiana, November 9-11, 1978

President - J. B. Howell, Mississippi College, Clinton, Mississippi
Vice-President/President-Elect - Helen D. Lockhart, Memphis/Shelby County Public Library and Information Center, Memphis, Tennessee
Treasurer - William H. Roberts, Forsyth County Public Library, Winston-Salem, North Carolina
Secretary - Larry T. Nix, Greenville County Library, Greenville, South Carolina
Executive Director - Johnnie Givens
Assistant Executive Director - Ann W. Morton

1978-80

Twenty-ninth Biennial Conference, Hyatt House, Birmingham, Alabama, November 20-22, 1980

President - Helen D. Lockhart, Memphis/Shelby County Public Library and Information Center, Memphis, Tennessee
Vice-President/President-Elect - Dr. Paul H. Spence, University of Alabama in Birmingham, Birmingham, Alabama
Secretary - Mary Frances Griffin, State Department of Education, Columbia, South Carolina
Treasurer - John E. Scott, West Virginia State College, Institute, West Virginia
Executive Secretary - Ann W. Morton

1980-82

Thirtieth Biennial Conference, (Joint Conference with KLA), Galt House, Louisville, Kentucky, November 10-13, 1982

President - Dr. Paul H. Spence, University of Alabama in Birmingham, Birmingham, Alabama

Vice-President/President-Elect - Barratt Wilkins, State Library of Florida, Tallahassee, Florida

Secretary - Joseph F. Boykin, Clemson University, Clemson, South Carolina

Treasurer - Dr. Annette H. Phinazee, North Carolina Central University, Durham, North Carolina

Executive Secretary - Ann W. Morton

1982-84

Thirty-first Biennial Conference (Joint Conference with MLA), Mississippi Gulf Coast Convention Center, Biloxi, Mississippi, October 15-20, 1984

President - Barratt Wilkins, State Library of Florida, Tallahassee, Florida

Vice-President/President-Elect - Rebecca Bingham, Jefferson County Public Schools, Louisville, Kentucky

Secretary - David Ince, Valdosta State College, Valdosta, Georgia

Treasurer - Ariel Stephens, Richard Thornton Public Library, Oxford, North Carolina

Executive Secretary - Ann W. Morton

1984-86

Thirty-second Biennial Conference, Atlanta Marriott Hotel Downtown, Atlanta, Georgia, October 15-19, 1986

President - Rebecca Bingham, Jefferson County Public Schools, Louisville, Kentucky

Vice-President/President-Elect - Charles E. Beard, West Georgia College, Carrollton, Georgia

Secretary - Virginia Benjamin, University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia

Treasurer - George R. Stewart, Birmingham Public & Jefferson County Free Library, Birmingham, Alabama

Executive Secretary - Claudia Medori

1986-88

Thirty-third Biennial Conference (Joint Conference with VLA), SCOPE Convention Center, Norfolk, Virginia, October 26-29, 1988

President - Charles E. Beard, West Georgia College, Carrollton, Georgia

Vice-President/President-Elect - George R. Stewart, Birmingham Public Library, Birmingham, Alabama

Secretary - Gail R. Lazenby, Cobb County Public Library System, Marietta, Georgia

Treasurer - Dr. James E. Ward, David Lipscomb University, Nashville, Tennessee

Executive Secretary - Claudia Medori

1988-90

Thirty-fourth Biennial Conference (Joint Conference with TLA), Opryland Hotel, Nashville, Tennessee, December 4-8, 1990

President - George R. Stewart, Birmingham Public Library, Birmingham, Alabama

Vice-President/President-Elect - Dr. James E. Ward, David Lipscomb University, Nashville, Tennessee

Secretary - Myra Jo Wilson, Delta State University, Cleveland, Mississippi

Treasurer - Wanda J. Calhoun, East Central Georgia Regional Library, Augusta, Georgia

Executive Secretary - Claudia Medori

1990-92

Thirty-fifth Biennial Conference (Joint Conference with LLA), Hyatt Regency New Orleans, New Orleans, Louisiana, March 18-21, 1992

President - Dr. James E. Ward, David Lipscomb University, Nashville, Tennessee

Vice-President/President-Elect - Gail R. Lazenby, Cobb County Public Library, Marietta, Georgia

Secretary - Linda H. Perkins, Kenwood Elementary School, Louisville, Kentucky

Treasurer - Linda S. Gill, Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, Tennessee

Executive Secretary - Claudia Medori

1992-94

Thirty-sixth Biennial Conference, Charlotte Convention Center, Charlotte, North Carolina, October 26-29, 1994

President - Gail R. Lazenby, Cobb County Public Library, Marietta, Georgia

Vice-President/President-Elect - Joe B. Forsee, Division of Public Library Services, Atlanta, Georgia

Secretary - Ann Hamilton, Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, Georgia

Treasurer - Robert E. Cannon, Public Library of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County, Charlotte, North Carolina

Executive Secretary - Claudia Medori

1994-96

Thirty-seventh Biennial Conference (Joint Conference with KLA), Lexington Center, Lexington, Kentucky, October 23-26, 1996

President - Joe B. Forsee, Northwest Georgia Regional Library, Dalton Georgia

Vice-President/President-Elect - Lorraine D. Summers, State Library of Florida, Tallahassee, Florida

Secretary - Elizabeth Curry, SEFLIN, Fort Lauderdale, Florida

Treasurer - Ann H. Hamilton, Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, Georgia

1996-98

Thirty-eighth Biennial Conference, Little Rock, Arkansas, September 29 -October 3, 1998

President - Lorraine D. Summers, State Library of Florida, Tallahassee, Florida

Vice-President/President-Elect - Frances Coleman, Mississippi State University, Starkville, Mississippi

Secretary - Carolyn Wilson

Treasurer - Billy Pennington, Birmingham Southern College, Birmingham, Alabama

1998-2000

Thirty-ninth Biennial Conference (Joint Conference with Council of Georgia Media Organizations - COMO), Jekyll Island, Georgia, October 11-13, 2000

President - Frances Coleman, Mississippi State University, Starkville, Mississippi

Vice-President/President-Elect - Barry B. Baker, University of Central Florida, Orlando, Florida

Secretary - Ellen Johnson

Treasurer - Bill McRee, Greenville County Library, Greenville, South Carolina

2000-2002

Fortieth Biennial Conference (Joint Conference with SCLA), Charleston, South Carolina, October 24-26, 2002

President - Barry B. Baker, University of Central Florida, Orlando, Florida

Vice-President/President-Elect - Ann H. Hamilton, Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, Georgia

Secretary - Sybil Boudreaux, University of New Orleans, New Orleans, Louisiana

Treasurer - Glenda Neely, University of Louisville, Louisville, Kentucky

2002-2004

Forty-first Biennial Conference (Joint Conference with NCLA), Charlotte, North Carolina, November 9-13, 2004

President - Ann H. Hamilton, Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, Georgia

Vice-President/President-Elect - Judith A. Gibbons, Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives, Frankfort, Kentucky

Secretary - Faith A. Line, Sumter County Library, Sumter, South Carolina

Treasurer - Diane N. Baird, Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, Tennessee

2004-2006

Forty-Second Biennial Conference (Joint Conference with Tennessee Library Association),
Memphis, Tennessee, April 5-7, 2006
President – Judith Gibbons, Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives, Frankfort, Kentucky
Vice-President/President-Elect – Faith Line, Sumter County Library, Sumter, South Carolina
Secretary – Carol Brinkman, University of Louisville, Louisville, Kentucky
Treasurer – William (Bill) Nelson, Augusta State University, Augusta, Georgia

2006-2008

Forty-Third Biennial Conference (Joint Conference with Kentucky Association, Kentucky School
Media Association, and the Association of Research Libraries National Diversity in
Libraries Conference), Louisville, Kentucky, October 1-4, 2008
President – Faith Line, Sumter County Library, Sumter, South Carolina
Vice-President/President-Elect – Kathleen R. T. Imhoff, Lexington Public Library, Lexington,
Kentucky
Secretary – Gordon N. Baker, Clayton State University, Morrow, Georgia
Treasurer – William (Bill) Nelson, Augusta State University, Augusta, Georgia

2008-2010

Forty-Fourth Biennial Conference (Joint Conference with Arkansas Library Association), Little
Rock, Arkansas, September 25-28, 2010
President – Kathleen R. T. Imhoff, Lexington Public Library, Lexington, Kentucky
Vice-President/President-Elect – Michael Seigler, Smyrna Public Library, Smyrna, Georgia
Secretary – Elizabeth Doolittle, University of Southern Mississippi, Gulf Park, Mississippi
Treasurer – Gordon N. Baker, Clayton State University, Morrow, Georgia

2010-2012

Forty-Fifth Biennial Conference (Joint Conference with the Georgia Council of Media
Organizations),
Macon, Georgia, October 3-5, 2012
President – Michael Seigler, Smyrna Public Library, Smyrna, Georgia
Vice-President/President-Elect – Gordon N. Baker, Clayton State University, Morrow, Georgia
Secretary – Camille McCutcheon, University of South Carolina Upstate, Spartanburg, South
Carolina
Treasurer – Beverly James, Greenville County Library System, Greenville, South Carolina

2013

Forty-Sixth Conference (Joint conference with the South Carolina Library Association), Greenville,
South Carolina, November 13-15, 2013
President - Gordon N. Baker, Clayton State University, Morrow, Georgia
Vice-President/President-Elect - Camille McCutcheon, University of South Carolina Upstate,
Spartanburg, South Carolina
Secretary - Lorene Flanders, University of West Georgia, Carrollton, Georgia
Treasurer – Beverly James, Greenville County Library System, Greenville, South Carolina

2014

Forty-Seventh Conference (Joint Conference with the Georgia Council of Media Organizations),
Augusta, Georgia, October 1-3, 2014
President - Gordon N. Baker, Clayton State University, Morrow, Georgia
Vice-President/President-Elect - Camille McCutcheon, University of South Carolina Upstate,
Spartanburg, South Carolina
Secretary - Lorene Flanders, University of West Georgia, Carrollton, Georgia
Treasurer – Beverly James, Greenville County Library System, Greenville, South Carolina