CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

During late October and early November, Z39 members will be voting on several Bylaws amendments. Among the amendments is one dealing with the future financing of Z39 operations. Being proposed is a Participating Member Service Fee.

The general concept of having members provide the money required to operate Z39 is not new. Membership dues were on the agenda of the April 2, 1965 meeting of Z39. The 1978 report of the NCLIS Task Force on Z39 recommended Z39 should move towards a broader funding base such as membership dues. Past efforts to deal with the dues question have been stymied by ANSI regulations that prohibited charging members dues. However, during 1980 ANSI itself instituted a Service Fee System as a method of obtaining financial support from Standards Committees and their members. Having done this, ANSI has allowed Standards Committees to employ similar fee systems.

The Z39 Finance Committee, after exploring several alternative plans for funding Z39 operations, recommended to the Executive Council that Z39 adopt a Participating Member Service Fee. The recommendation along with the proposed Bylaws amendment was approved by the Executive Council.

If the voting members approve the Service Fee system, it will become effective for 1981. During 1981, payment of the fees by voting members is to be voluntary with payment requested. For 1982 and subsequent years, payment by voting members will be mandatory. The amount of each member's fee will be based on that part of their annual organization budget relating directly to the Z39 scope. The exact fee schedule will be established by the Executive Council after the Z39 membership has approved the Bylaws amendment authorizing Participating Member Service Fees. The tentative schedule of fees recommended by the Finance Committee has five categories ranging from a minimum of $200 to a maximum of $5,000.

The Finance Committee recognizes that initially at least the Participating Member Service Fee system may not fully support Z39's total operating expenses. Supplemental funds will continue to be sought in the form of contributions from non-members, grants and contracts for specific standards, and through Information Memberships. Efforts will also be continued to recruit additional full voting members, thereby increasing the Z39 base.

Until the ballots are counted, the Participating Member Service Fee concept remains a recommendation for providing a reasonable and reliable source of support for Z39. Approval of the required Bylaw amendment will enable Z39 officers to spend less of their time on financial problems and fund raising and to concentrate their efforts on standards development.

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NEW MEMBERS OF Z39

The following new members of Z39 have been approved:

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Dallas, Texas 75243
James H. Kennedy, Executive Director
Voting Representative

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15 Southwest Park
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Frank Clasquin, Exec. Vice President
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Gerald Lowell, Librarian/Systems Anal.
Alternate Representative

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2929 Kenny Road, #280
Columbus, Ohio 43221
Ronald E. Diener, Executive Director
Voting Representative

TWO ISO STANDARDS

Two new ISO standards of interest have just been published and may be ordered from ANSI at the prices shown below:

ISO 5426-1980--Extension of the Latin alphabet coded character set for bibliographic information interchange. $12.60

ISO 5428-1980--Greek alphabet coded character set for bibliographic information interchange. $10.50

CORRECTION Z39.42-1980

In the July issue of the Voice, p.23, mention was made of an article by Robert Wittorf on OCLC implementation of Z39.42-1980 in the April/June 1980 issue of the Serials Librarian. The article actually appeared in the April/June 1980 issue of the Serials Review.

BYLAWS AMENDMENTS

Z39 member organizations have been asked to vote on a number of amendments to the Bylaws proposed by the Executive Council. The voting period is October 21 - November 14, 1980. The amendments fall into four categories:

1. Authorizing Z39 participating member service fees,

2. Changing terms of office of chairperson and vice-chairperson,

3. Increasing the Executive Council by one additional councilor for each of the three categories: libraries, information services, and publishing, and

4. Miscellaneous procedural amendments.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

In mid-December 1980, a call will go out to Z39 members requesting nominations for vacancies beginning July 1, 1981, in the offices of Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, and Councilors (members of the Executive Council) representing libraries, information services, and publishing. Nominees must have at some time served as member organization representatives, alternate representatives, subcommittee chairpersons or members.

ADVERTISING OF MICROPUBLICATIONS

There were no negative votes on the reaffirmation of Z39.26-1975, Advertising of Micropublications. However, after advertising the reaffirmation for public review, ANSI decided that the addition of a footnote specifying particular standards which should be reviewed for mention in the advertising of micropublications made this a revision with a public review required. The new public review period expires December 18, 1980.
1974 STANDARDS BEING REVISED
BUT NOT YET BALLOTED

Five Z39 standards published in 1974 are in process of revision but have not yet reached the balloting stage. Their status is as follows:

Z39.7-1974--Library Statistics (SC 7) --Chairperson, Katherine Emerson, University of Massachusetts Library, Amherst, MA 01003 (413 545-2780)
Subcommittee 7 is working by correspondence to adopt revisions on comments received on the draft circulated and discussed at a public meeting during the ALA Annual Conference in New York in July. The subcommittee expects to have two half-day meetings at ALA Midwinter.

Z39.4-1974--Basic Criteria for Indexes, see entry under Subcommittee K on p. 35.

Z39.5-1969(R 1974)--Abbreviation of Titles of Periodicals, see entry under Subcommittee A on p. 34.

Z39.18-1974--Guidelines for Format and Production of Scientific and Technical Reports, see entry under Subcommittee P on p. 36.

Z39.20-1974--Criteria for Price Indexes for Library Materials, see entry under Subcommittee I on p. 35.

PROOF CORRECTIONS SUBMITTED TO ANSI/BSR

A slight revision of Z39.22-1974, Proof Corrections, prepared by Bruce Young, University of Chicago Press, 5801 S. Ennis St., Chicago, IL 60637 (312 753-3336) has been submitted to ANSI/BSR for approval. Mr. Young was a member of the subcommittee which developed the 1974 published standard.

REVISION OF Z39.19-1974 PUBLISHED

This revision has now been published as Z39.19-1980, Guidelines for Thesaurus Structure, Construction and Use, and is available from ANSI at a price of $5.00.

MICROFICHE HEADINGS APPROVED

The proposed new standard, Z39.32, Bibliographic Information for Microfiche Headings, was approved by ANSI/BSR on August 17, 1980.

STANDARDS BALLOTED BUT NOT YET SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL

Z39.30 (SC 36)--Single Title Order Form --Chairperson, Peter Jacobs, BroDart, Inc., 1609 Memorial Ave., Williamsport, PA 17701 (717 326-2461)
Taking into account the six negative votes, the Z39 office has edited a new draft which will soon be going out for a reballot.

Z39.38 (SC 5)--Romanization of Yiddish --Chairperson, Herbert Zafren, Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, 3101 Clifton Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45220 (513 221-1875)
The two negative votes may have been resolved and the manuscript has been edited. A reballot may be necessary.

ADDENDUM TO Z39.43

ANSI has issued an addendum (Appendix B) to Z39.43-1980, Identification Code for the Book Industry, which will be included in published copies distributed after September 1980.

"The functions assigned to the administrative agency, as specified in Section 6, will be administered by the U.S. Standard Book Numbering Agency at R. R. Bowker Company, Inc., 1180 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10036."
STATUS OF WORK IN LETTER DESIGNATED SUBCOMMITTEES

SC A--Abbreviation of Titles of Periodicals--Chairperson, Robert S. Tannehill, Jr., Library Manager, Chemical Abstracts Service, P.O. Box 3012, Columbus, OH 43210 (614 421-6940)

Revision of Z39.5-1969(R1974) This revision is still awaiting the publication of a similar ISO standard.

SC C--Language Codes--The new chairperson is S. Arlene Schwartz, ILLINET Bibliographic Data Base Service, Illinois State Library, 537 Centennial Building, Springfield, IL 62756 (217 785-1532)

The subcommittee is being organized.


An arrangement has been made under which the Council on Library Resources will appoint a consultant for the equivalent of six month full-time to work with RLG, WLIN, CLR, the Library of Congress and Subcommittee D to develop a protocol which can subsequently be submitted as an American National Standard and later as an ISO Standard.

SC E--Serial Holdings Statements at the Detailed Level--Chairperson, Susan Brynteson, Director, University of Delaware Library, Newark, DE 19711 (302 738-2231)

Subcommittee E has scheduled a public hearing on the draft of the standard for serial holdings statements at the detailed level on Monday, February 2, 1981 at 8-10 p.m. during the ALA Midwinter Meeting in Washington, D.C. It is expected that copies of the draft standard will be available for distribution either at or shortly before the public hearing. Individuals desiring to be placed on the mailing list in order to receive a copy of the draft standard, if it is available prior to the public hearing, may contact the Subcommittee E Chairperson at the above address.

SC F--Serial Publication Patterns--The new subcommittee chairman is Gerald Lowell, Librarian/Systems Analyst, F. W. Faxon Co., Inc. 15 Southwest Park, Westwood, MA 02090 (617 329-3350)

The subcommittee made progress toward a method of recording serial publication patterns. From the publication pattern data it should be possible for human or machine to identify 1) the number and names of the hierarchical levels of a publication, 2) the number of pieces at each level, 3) when issues are published, and 4) the specific identification appearing on an issue. The subcommittee is scheduled to meet November 4 in Washington, D.C. to prepare a draft which can be presented at a hearing during ALA Midwinter. A full draft standard for publication patterns may be ready to distribute for comment in the spring of 1981.

SC G--Terms and Symbols Used in Form Functional Areas of Interactive Retrieval Systems--Chairperson, Pauline Atherton, Syracuse University, School of Information Studies, 113 Euclid Ave., Syracuse, NY 13210 (315 423-2911)

The subcommittee met on October 22 to complete a first draft. In the spring of 1981 the subcommittee hopes to meet in Washington jointly with a related ISO group, TC 46/SC 4/WG 5. A draft for comment may be ready by April 1981.
STATUS OF WORK IN LETTER DESIGNATED SUBCOMMITTEES (continued)

SC H--Patent Data Element Identification and Application Numbering--Chairperson, Philip J. Pollick, Senior Information Scientist, Chemical Abstracts Service, P.O. Box 3012, Columbus, OH 43210 (614 421-6940)

The subcommittee is currently doing background work to determine preferences for patent application numbering. A draft standard for the identification of patent data will be reviewed by the subcommittee during October and November. Preliminary work on a draft standard for the numbering of patent applications is expected to begin during the fourth quarter of 1980.

SC I--Price Indexes for Library Materials--Chairperson, Fred C. Lynden, Technical Services, Brown University Library, Providence, RI 02912 (401 863-2162)

Gary Ink and Gertrude Jennings of the R. R. Bowker Co. have been added to the subcommittee, which will probably meet at ALA Midwinter.

SC J--Bibliographic Data Source File Identification--Chairperson, John G. Mulvihill, Manager, GeoRef, American Geological Institute, 5205 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041 (703 379-2480)

The subcommittee held its second meeting on July 28, 1980, and substantial agreement was reached on the content of the standard. Linda Bartley of NSDP will be joining the subcommittee and was present at the meeting. The chair is preparing Draft no. 5 for circulation to subcommittee members.

SC K--Basic Criteria for Indexes--Chairperson, Jessica L. Milstead, 875 Marion Rd., Cheshire, CT 06410 (203 397-3893)

Revision of Z39.4-1974. A draft, dated September 12, 1980, was distributed to Z39 member organizations for comment.

SC L--Romanization--Chairperson, Charles W. Husbands, Harvard University Library, Cambridge, MA 02138 (617 495-3724)

There will be a subcommittee meeting at ALA Midwinter. The subcommittee has been requested to advise as to whether Z39.25-1975, Romanization of Hebrew, which is up for five-year review, should be reaffirmed, revised or withdrawn.

SC M--Serial Publication Page Margins--The subcommittee has been merged with Subcommittee Q for the revision of Z39.1-1977, Periodicals: Format and Arrangement.

SC N--Coded Character Sets for Bibliographic Information Interchange--Chairperson, Charles T. Payne, University of Chicago Library, Chicago, IL 60637 (312 753-2908)

No change in the status reported in the July 1980 Voice, p. 27.

SC O--Library Item and Patron Identification Code--Chairperson, Howard Harris, Maryland State Board for Higher Education, 16 Francis St., Annapolis, MD 21401 (301 269-2971)

No change in the status reported in the July 1980 Voice, p. 27.
STATUS OF WORK IN LETTER DESIGNATED SUBCOMMITTEES (continued)

SC  P--Guidelines for Format and Production of Scientific and Technical Reports--Chairperson, Astor V. Kane, NTIS, Box 1425, Springfield, VA 22151 (703 487-4696)

Revision of Z39.18-1974. A new draft has been prepared by the subcommittee to take into account the negative votes received, and a reballot will probably be necessary.

SC  Q--Periodicals: Format and Arrangement--Chairperson, Seldon W. Terrant, Head, R & D Department, American Chemical Society, 1155 16th St., N.W., Washington, DC 20036 (202 872-4537)

The subcommittee is in the process of formation.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION MEMBERS

In the April 1980 issue of the Voice 16 libraries were listed as Z39 Information Members at an annual fee of $100. Since that time, the following 14 additional libraries and organizations have become Information Members:

Brown University Library
DataPhase Systems, Inc.
Delaware Division of Libraries
Follett Corporation
National Library of Canada
New Hampshire State Library
Northwestern University Library
South Carolina State Library
State Univ. of New York Library at Buffalo
Smithsonian Institution Library
U.S. Customs Service Library
Univ. of Arizona Library
Univ. of California Library at Berkeley
University of Chicago Library

Information membership does not require voting on Z39 draft standards, but does include a subscription to the quarterly newsletter, Voice of Z39; copies of press releases, annual report and annual meeting minutes, and on request, copies of draft standards in process of development in subcommittees of Z39.

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