CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

As the new chair of Z39, I am happy to report that the decision made by member organizations to shift to a self-supporting method of financing Z39 seems to be a success. As of the end of May, 27 member organizations had paid Participating Member Service Fees in whole or in part, totalling $32,100 and an additional four members had pledged $15,750, making a total of $47,850 paid and pledged in 1981. This compares with $48,725 received from comparable sources in 1980, including $44,000 from the three major funding agencies: the Council on Library Resources ($29,000), NCLIS ($10,000), and ALA ($5,000). A list of the organizations paying and pledging in 1981 appears elsewhere in this issue of the Voice.

We expect payments from others as well. Already we have enough on hand and pledged to carry Z39 through the balance of 1981 and perhaps have a small carryover for 1982.

The experience thus far is particularly encouraging in light of the fact that the Participating Member Service Fees are on a voluntary basis in 1981. The Finance Committee and the Executive Council will consider, later in the year, whether some adjustments in the five category fee schedule are possible and desirable.

I wish to thank all of those who have participated in this change over of financing method and especially my fellow members of the expanded Z39 Finance Committee who concentrated their efforts on this problem throughout 1980. They include: John Corrigan, Chairman; John Lorenz, Vice-Chairman and Treasurer; Bob Asleson, Toni Bearman, Sam Beatty, Dave Bender, John Creps Jr., Bob Frase, Joanne Harrar, Al Trezza, Bob Wedgeworth and Jim Wood.

Now that our finances look better, we can concentrate our efforts on developing and revising standards and encouraging their more widespread use.

-- PAT BERGER

TWO STANDARDS PUBLISHED

The following two standards were published in May 1981:


These two standards carry the International Standard Serial Number, ISSN: 0276-0762. (See the top of page 19 in this issue on the assignment of an ISSN to the Z39 standards monographic series and standing orders for Z39 standards).
NEW Z39 MEMBER

The Pennsylvania Library Network (PALINET) has become a full voting member of Z39; Elizabeth Ann Breedlove, Head, Library Technical Services, New Jersey State Library, 185 W. State St., Trenton, NJ 08625 is the voting representative.

NEW INFORMATION MEMBERS

Since the last list of Z39 Information Members was published in the October 1980 issue, the following organizations have become Information Members:

- New York State Library
- Duke University
- Stanford University
- GPO Library
- Philadelphia College of Pharmacy & Science
- Thompson & Rutter, Inc.
- EPA Library
- R. R. Donnelley & Sons Co.

Z39 1981 ANNUAL MEETING

American National Standards Committee Z39 held its annual meeting at the Library of Congress April 30, 1981. Reports were made on the election of officers, the status of work of Z39 subcommittees, and on finances, membership, publicity, and international affairs. Most of these developments were reported in the April issue of the Voice, which was released at the end of the annual meeting, or are reported in this issue. A report on the annual meeting was scheduled to appear in a June 1981 issue of the Library of Congress Information Bulletin. The 1982 annual meeting of Z39 will be held at the Library of Congress in late April or early May.

ARTICLES ON Z39


Z39 FINANCES

The following 27 member organizations have already paid the 1981 Z39 Participating Member Service Fee or in a few cases have made a lesser contribution:

- AMIGOS Bibliographic Council
- Amer. Chemical Society
- Amer. Institute of Physics
- Amer. Society of Indexers
- Amer. Theological Library Assn.
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- OHIONET
- PALINET
- Pittsburgh Reg. Libr. Center
- Soc. for Scholarly Publishing
- Soc. for Technical Information
- Special Libraries Assn.
- NTIS

The following four member organizations have made pledges to pay the Participating Member Service Fee in 1981:

- Amer. Library Assn.
- Amer. Society for Information Science
- Assn. of Amer. Publishers
- Natl. Commission on Libraries and Information Science

TWO HONORARY MEMBERS

The Z39 Executive Council has appointed the first two honorary members for outstanding contributions to national or international standards development as authorized by a new provision of the Z39 Bylaws. They are Dr. Jerrold Orne, Z39 Chairman from 1965 to 1978, and Mrs. Anne J. Richter, who served as Vice-Chair of Z39 and chair of several subcommittees while with the R. R. Bowker Company.
STATUS OF WORK IN SUBCOMMITTEES

(NOTE: Titles, addresses and phone numbers of subcommittee chairs have been eliminated because of space problems. They remain unchanged from the April 1981 issue).

SC 7 -- Library Statistics, Chair, Katherine Emerson.

A revision of Z39.7-1974 is being typed for a letter ballot.

SC 36 -- Standard Order Forms, Chair, Peter Jacobs.


Order Form for Multiple Titles of Library Materials. Work on this standard will follow approval of the single title order form.

SC 42 -- Serial Claim Form, Chair, Lois N. Upham.

A revised draft has been submitted for ANSI editorial advice prior to balloting.

SC A -- Abbreviation of Periodical Titles, Chair, Robert S. Tannehill, Jr.

Revision of Z39.5-1969(R 1974). If revision of the related ISO 4 is substantially further delayed, Z39.5 may be balloted for reaffirmation.

SC C -- Language Codes, Chair, Arlene Schwartz.

The first meeting of the reorganized subcommittee was held in June.

SC D -- Computer-to-Computer Protocol, Chair, David Hartmann.

The subcommittee is exploring at what level to establish the protocol. Much of the work suggested in the 1977 NBS/NCLIS report is being done by American National Standards Committee X-3 and the National Bureau of Standards. Contact is being maintained with Subcommittee G on a common command language and a major Canadian effort to develop computer-to-computer protocols.

SC E -- Serial Holdings Statements, Detailed Level, Chair, Susan Brynteson.

The subcommittee met on April 21 to review the comments and suggestions in the transcript of the public meeting held on the draft during the ALA Midwinter Conference in Washington.

SC F -- Serial Publication Patterns, Chair, Gerald Lowell.

The subcommittee met on April 28 and decided to ask advice from the Z39 Program Committee on the practicality of the draft on which it has been working. It may be that this standard should be delayed until the standard on serial holdings statements at the detailed level has been completed.

SC G -- Terms and Symbols Used in Form Functional Areas of Interactive Retrieval Systems, Chair, Pauline Atherton Cochrane.

The subcommittee is expecting to have a draft for comment or a vote by Z39 members this fall.

SC H -- Patent Data Element Identification and Application Numbering, Chair, Philip J. Pollick.

The subcommittee is completing a draft of the patent data element identification standard. Work on the application numbering standard will follow.
STATUS OF WORK OF SUBCOMMITTEES (continued)

SC I -- Price Indexes for Library Materials, Chair, Fred C. Lynden.

Revision of Z39.20-1974. The subcommittee met in late May and will meet again at the ALA Annual Conference in San Francisco in late June. The final draft for balloting will be prepared after the ALA meeting.

SC J -- Bibliographic Data Source File Identification, Chair, John G. Mulvihill.

The subcommittee chair has asked to be relieved but will continue on the subcommittee.

SC K -- Basic Criteria for Indexes, Chair, Jessica Milstead.

Revision of Z39.4-1974. A final draft for balloting in Z39 is nearing completion.

SC L -- Romanization, Chair, Charles W. Husbands.

No change in the status reported in the April 1981 Voice on p. 11.

SC M -- Serial Publication Page Margins.

The subcommittee was merged into Subcommittee Q.

SC N -- Coded Character Sets for Bibliographic Information Interchange, Co-Chairs, Charles T. Payne and Sally H. McCallum.

The subcommittee is developing a standard for the extended Latin alphabet and will next proceed to develop standards for Cyrillic, Arabic, Hebrew, and Greek. Liaison is being maintained with Subcommittee L, Romanization.

SC O -- Library Item and Patron Identification Code, Chair, Howard Harris.

The subcommittee will shortly review a Harris report to the Council on Library Resources. The subcommittee scope may be changed to include consideration of a standard library identification number.

SC P -- Format and Production of Scientific and Technical Reports, Chair, Astor Kane.


SC Q -- Periodicals: Format and Arrangement, Chair, Seldon W. Terrant.

Revision of Z39.1-1977. The second meeting of the subcommittee was held in Washington on June 22.

SC R -- Environmental Conditions for Storage of Paper Based Library Holdings, Chair, Paul N. Banks.

The subcommittee is in the process of formation. An application has been made for supporting funds from the National Endowment for the Humanities.
The National Serials Data Program at the Library of Congress has assigned the ISSN 0276-0762 to Z39 standards as a monographic series. The first two standards carrying this ISSN were published in May (see page 15 of this issue). In these first two standards the ISSN was printed on the back cover instead of a more appropriate place and the series statement is not contained in the CIP data printed in the standard. Changes in these two respects will be made in the printing of future Z39 standards.

In connection with the assignment of an ISSN to Z39 standards, ANSI will accept standing orders for the series and provide a discount to public libraries and educational institutions for complete sets of Z39 standards and individual standards ordered to fill out sets. On page 21 of this issue there is a revised ordering form including provision for standing orders. When the ANSI sales brochure for Z39 standards is next revised, these new provisions will be included. It should be noted that the following gaps appear in the numbered series: Z39.3, 17, 28, 30, 36 and 38. Of these, Z39.30, Single Title Order Form, and Z39.38, Romanization of Yiddish, are in process of approval.

** Z39.1-1977 Periodicals: Format and Arrangement, $4.50. Applicable to periodicals, serials, and monographs, this standard is intended to guide and assist editors and publishers in organizing bibliographic information so that their publications can be more readily identified and used.

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** Z39.4-1968 (R1974) Basic Criteria for Indexes, $4.00. Provides guidelines and a uniform vocabulary for use in the preparation and evaluation of indexes. Seeks to deal with the principles of indexing regardless of the type of material indexed or the indexing method (manual or mechanical) used. Includes a definition of an index, a discussion of the nature and variety of indexes, and recommendations regarding the preparation, organization, and style of indexes in general.

Z39.5-1969 (R1974) Abbreviation of Titles of Periodicals, $4.00. Contains recommendations applicable to serial publications of all types and to many nonserial publications, including monographs and proceedings of meetings. They are intended to guide and assist authors, editors, librarians, and others working in various areas of information transfer activity in preparing unique, unambiguous abbreviations within a specific frame of reference for the titles of publications cited in footnotes, references, and bibliographies.

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Z39.11-1972 (R1978) System for the Romanization of Japanese, $4.00. Establishes a system for the Romanization of the Japanese written language. Covers writings in classical Chinese by Japanese authors as well as other works in classical Chinese where the text as published or written incorporates Japanese "reading marks" (kunten) or is accompanied by material in Japanese integral to the bibliographic unit.

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