He then announced that additional nominations from the floor were welcome, provided that the concurrence of the nominee had been secured in advance. No additional nominations were reported, and the vote for the preceding slate was unanimous.

Resolutions Committee Report

Jane Robinson expressed the appreciation of the ACL to SRI International, Sperry-Univac, and Stanford University for their support of the Association and of this meeting; to Norm Sondheimer for his most energetic presidential activities; to Ray Perrault and his Program Committee for an excellent program; to Jerry Kaplan and his helpers for the fine local arrangements; to George Heidorn, Michael McCord, the AJCL Editorial Board, and the referees for the high quality of the Journal; to Jim and Renee Moore and Candy Sidner for mobilizing the successful membership drive; to Paul Chapin for getting the Monograph Series organized; to Martha Evens, Paul Orgren, and their helpers at the NCC and OAC for representing us there; to the Executive Committee members for their involvement; to the Nominating Committee for selecting a respectable slate of officers for 1982; and to Don and Betty Walker for maintaining a Secretariat that shores up this enterprise.

The report was accepted with enthusiasm and the meeting was adjourned.

Donald E. Walker
Secretary-Treasurer

Attachments to the 1981 Minutes

Financial Status	1980	1981
Income:		
Dues	$9,602	$19,886
Back Issues	1,527	1,744
Special Mailing	369	1,202
Meetings	9,626	10,905
Mailing Labels	61	180
Conference Proceedings	354	538
TINLAP-1 Account	125	30
AFIPS	1,550	7,750
Interest	1,583	5,509
	$24,797	$47,744
Expenses:		
AJCL Production	$4,093	$10,634
AJCL Editorial	182	1,260
AJCL Copyright	20	40
Secretariat Services	2,197	5,254
Postage	2,099	4,105
Supplies	287	192
Printing	38	497
Equipment	527	963
Annual Meeting	6,047	9,499
Other Meetings		275
Program Development	308	168
COLING	56	102
AFIPS Dues	500	500
Committee Expenses	493	212
Membership Drive		7,032
William A. Martin Fund		100
Refunds	2,754	777
	$19,601	$41,610
Balance:	$5,196	$6,134
Assets:		
CIF (Certificate)	$25,000	
ILAF (Money Market)	5,020	$35,133
Checking	1,560	2,127
Petty Cash	66	61
Accounts Receivable		459
	$31,646	37,780

Membership	1978	1979-80	1981
Individual	444	658	1,190
US	325	478	975
Foreign	119	180	215
Institutional	218	249	257
US	102	117	119
Foreign	116	132	138
TOTALS	662	907	·1,447

Program of the ACL Sessions at NCC

The ACL will sponsor two sessions at the 1982 National Computer Conference (NCC), to be held June 7-10, 1982, in the Astrohall and Astroarena in Houston, Texas. The NCC is sponsored by AFIPS and four of its constituent societies: the Association for Computing Machinery, the Data Processing Management Association, the IEEE Computer Society, and the Society for Computer Simulation.

At this year's NCC, more than 600 firms will display the latest advances in computer hardware, software, and services. They will occupy some 325,00 net square feet of exhibit space, up 95,000 net square feet from NCC '81. In addition, a technical program will focus on "Advancing Professionalism." Its aim is to emphasize the fact that even as systems become increasingly ubiquitous through office automation and home computing, there *are* methods for building them to be usable, reliable, and efficient.

The two ACL-sponsored sessions are scheduled for Wednesday, June 9, and will address the topics of machine-readable dictionaries and natural language help systems. Short descriptions of each follow.

Processing and Generating Text Using Machine-Readable Dictionaries. Machine readable dictionaries are already being used as a basis for simple text-handling tasks like spelling correction, hyphenation, and automatic generation of simple business letters. More complex dictionaries are being designed for natural language processing systems capable of understanding and generating sophisticated texts. This session describes current applications in office automation, research in lexical semantics, and our visions of the dictionary of the future.

The session was organized by Martha Evens, *Illinois Institute of Technology,* and will be chaired by her. It will consist of:

Computational Lexicology - A Research Program
     Robert Amsler, *SRI International*

Use of Webster's Seventh Collegiate Dictionary
to Construct a Master Hyphenation List
     James L. Peterson, *University of Texas at Austin*

The Future of the Dictionary and
the Dictionary of the Future
     Martin Kay, *Xerox PARC*

Relations Extracted from Machine-Readable
Dictionaries for Building a Text Generator
     Raoul N. Smith, *GTE Laboratories*

Natural Language Help Systems. Intelligent help facilities can contribute significantly to the usability of sophisticated interactive systems. To handle the wide variety of queries that will be posed to such a system, a flexible interface is necessary. Since English provides such flexibility and is already familiar to users, it is attractive as an interface language. This session will explore issues in both the design of flexible help systems and the use of English for communicating with such systems.

The session was organized by Elaine Rich, *University of Texas at Austin,* and will be chaired by Robert Fenchel, *Xerox Corporation.* It will consist of:

Uniform Help Facilities for a Cooperative User Interface
     Philip Hayes, *Carnegie-Mellon University*

Natural Language Help in the Consul System
     Bill Mark, *Information Sciences Institute*

Programs as Data for Their Help Systems
     Elaine Rich, *University of Texas at Austin*

Discussant
     Lynn Price, *Calma*

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Call for Papers - Applied Natural Language Processing Conference

A Conference on Applied Natural Language Processing will be held February 1-3, 1983, in Santa Monica, California, sponsored by the Association for Computational Linguistics and the Naval Research Laboratory. This special conference will focus on the use of computational linguistic techniques in solving real world problems, and will be limited to 300 participants. Original papers on the use of computational linguistic techniques are being solicited in the areas of:

- data, information and knowledge management
- training and education
- language translation technology
- speech recognition and synthesis technology

The papers should discuss applications, evaluations, limitations, and general tools and techniques. Papers describing end-users' experience with these technologies are especially welcome.

Six copies of an extended summary of five to eight pages, double spaced, should be sent by August 15, 1982 to:

     Beatrice Oshika MD 72-27
     System Development Corporation
     2500 Colorado Avenue
     Santa Monica, California 90406

It is important that the summary identify distinctive aspects of the work and clearly indicate to what extent the work is complete and has been implemented.

Summaries will be reviewed by the Conference Committee. Notification of acceptance of papers will be sent by September 15, 1982. For inclusion in the Conference Proceedings, final versions of papers must be received by November 15, 1982. Authors of accepted papers will be expected to sign a copyright release form. Limited travel funds for authors will be available.

Facilities for product and system demonstrations will be available, including videotape equipment. Short papers describing planned demonstrations and types of equipment required should be submitted by November 15, 1982. Additionally, tutorials and panel sessions are planned.

The Conference Committee consists of: Iris Kameny, *System Development Corporation* (General Chair), Beatrice Oshika, *System Development Corporation* (Program Chair), Don Walker, *SRI International* (Secretary-Treasurer), Christine Montgomery, *Operating System Division, Logicon,* Ray Perrault, *University of Toronto,* Jane Robinson, *SRI International,* and Norm Sondheimer, *Sperry Univac.*