NCLA Roundtable for Ethnic Minority Concerns Report July 15, 2005

The REMCo Executive Board is planning to meet again in early August. REMCo has invited Dr. Earl Smith, Director of American Ethnic Studies and Professor and Chairman, Department of Sociology at Wake Forest University to speak at the REMCo Luncheon on Thursday, September 22nd. REMCo will be hosting several programs (some including co-sponsorship).

The Spring 2005 issue of the REMCo Newsletter was distributed in May. The Fall issue of the REMCo Newsletter will be distributed in early August. On June 8th, Mr. Philip Cherry III submitted his letter of resignation as REMCo Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect. The election is underway for new Officers. We are working toward completing the REMCo election by early August. We are also working toward completing the RoadBuilder's Award nomination process by early August.

During April, the REMCo Ad-Hoc Committee for Diversity conducted a statewide, web-based survey of library school students of color in North Carolina. The Committee met on June 14th. to review results and make plans for their panel program during the upcoming Conference.

The Carolina Chapter of REFORMA met on May 6th at the Columbia (S.C.) State Library. They are planning to present 2 programs and host an Information Table during the upcoming Conference.

REMCo is committed to making sure that NCLA is a full participate in the first Joint Conference of Librarians of Color (JCLC 2006) in Dallas, Texas from October 12-16, 2006. I along with Bao-Chu Chang submitted a program proposal for a program tentatively titled, "Career Growth for Librarians of Color: issues and strategies" on behalf of NCLA-REMCo. REMCo is also planning to prepare and submit a ¼ page Ad in the JCLC Conference program at a cost of \$150 using the NCLA logo. REMCo would like to know if a vote by the NCLA Executive Board is needed before moving forward on the Ad? Other NCLA members are invited to join REMCo in participating in the Conference.

Respectively submitted,

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