

JAPANESE LIBRARIANS RESOURCES GROUP OF AUSTRALIA
Minutes of the meeting
held on 5th July 2000 at Melbourne University

In attendance:

Andrew Gosling (Chair), Michelle Hall, Vera Mackie, Marie Sexton,
Mayumi Shinozaki, Eiko Sakaguchi (Minutes)

Apologies:

Sally-Anne Leigh, Toshio Takagi, Masako Takagaki

1. JALRGA activities in 2001

1.1 JALRGA participation in the JSAA conference in 2001

The style of participation was discussed. Everyone agreed that conference participants will be more interested in actual database and web rejes. It was also suggested that the library sessions are placed into the normal conference program, but not at lunch time. The format of the presentation can be hands-on, targeting postgraduate students. We can also try one pilot presentation with a session (eg the session topic is "Women in Japan" and a library presenter will provide available resources in the session).

It was suggested that we also hold a forum with academic staff with provision of lunch in order to co-operate with academic staff as well as attracting more participants.

The JALRGA coordinator will contact Chihiro Kinoshita at University of NSW when the firm decision of participation is made.

New JALRGA coordinator for 2001

It will be discussed towards the end of this year.

**2. JALRGA application for the Japan Foundation
to send a delegate to CEAL conference**

The feasibility of this type of application from the Australian end was questioned. It was suggested that it would be more appropriate if CEAL committee includes and invites a librarian from Australia as a guest speaker. Recommendation was made to invite speakers (Mr Nakano from National Diet Library, Ms Izumi Koide from International House) from Japan. It was advised that we could investigate the SPIRT (Strategic Partnerships with Industry Research and Training) Program, which may include funding related to Japanese Studies.

3. Other business

- 3.1 Acknowledgment was made to Michelle Hall and Melbourne University Library people for organising the library sessions (Academic Forum, ANCJK session, Database session) at the ASAA conference.
- 3.2 We discussed how to recruit more Japanese studies librarians in Australian institutions to JALRGA.

It was suggested that there are librarians who are looking after Japanese and Chinese materials at the University of Adelaide and at the University of Queensland.

- 3.3 Professor Mackie called on JALRGA to form an interest group for Japanese resource cooperation, and she has been working on it.