

Results of the Survey on Reprinting
The Pan American Round Table by Lois Terry Marchbanks (1983)
State Board Meeting, Eagle Pass, Texas
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In July 2011 Sarilee Marchbanks Ferguson, the daughter of the author Lois Terry Marchbanks, conveyed the copyright of her mother's book, *The Pan American Round Table* to The Pan American Round Tables of Texas. Only the PARTT "may receive any monies or other payment for the sales of the Work, either reprinted in its original form, or as an electronic reproduction or other reproduction."

State Director Sarah Jane Wise asked Peggy Clark and Geri Rice to determine from the Tables if there was any interest in reprinting the book.

A survey was emailed to all Tables and to members of the Board. There were five options:

- OPTION 1: Reprint a hardback copy of the book at a cost of \$15.00 per book. In addition to books purchased by the Table, these books would be sold at the 2015 State Convention and at the 2016 Alliance Convention in San Antonio.
- OPTION 2: Reprint a paperback copy of the book at a cost of \$12.00 per book. Scanning costs would be the same.
- OPTION 3: Publish the contents of the book on the PARTT.org website. The pages would be scanned. There is some concern about the quality of the scanned pages.
- OPTION 4: Scan to CD that would be available to purchase at the Centennial Convention in 1916.
- OPTION 5: Commission a second volume to be written to bring the PART story up-to-date and print Vol. 1 and 2 together. This option would mean that the original book also would be reprinted with the attendant costs.

Nine of the ²⁰~~19~~ Texas Tables responded (45%). Three board members responded. Six Tables voted for Option 1, two Tables had partial votes for Option 2, one board member voted for Option 3, one Table voted for Option 4, one Table voted for both Option 3 and 4 together. Three Tables and two board members voted for Option 5.

The Tables responding favored reprinting of the Marchbanks book in hard cover. There was interest in bringing our PART history up-to-date by commissioning a second volume.

The cost for reprinting the book to look as much like the original as possible was based on a bid by Grunwald Printing in Corpus Christi for 500 (\$6,462.00) and 1,000 copies (\$8,459.73) plus applicable sales tax. Since the original printing company no longer exists, a book will have to be taken apart and scanned. The scans will need to be cleaned up before they can be copied onto the book paper. For an additional fee, Grunwald will make a .pdf document that can be uploaded to our website and can burn CDs of the book in whatever quantity that we want.

Since our investigation began, the librarian at the University of Texas Pan American has begun scanning the book with a new scanning system that the University has recently purchased. She is doing it as a community service free of charge. Also, the librarian is getting bids on a soft cover reprint of the book using their scans. BB Crane has more information on this matter.

However, the Ad Hoc Committee, of Peggy Clark and Geri Rice, makes the following recommendations:

Recommendation 1:

That the Board recommend to the Tables that 500 copies of *The Pan American Round Table* by Lois Terry Marchbanks be reprinted in hardback and that the funds be taken from the Administrative Account and that the books be sold to Table members for \$15.00 per book and that those monies be paid back to the Administrative Account until the printing expenses are recovered and once the printing costs are recovered, the monies from sales will go into the Scholarship Account.

Recommendation 2:

That the incoming board appoints a committee to oversee the printing, storing, and selling of the books.

Recommendation 3:

That the incoming board forms a committee to investigate the research and writing of Volume 2 of *The Pan American Round Table* from c. 1983 to the present.

Recommendation 4:

That the incoming board investigates having *The Pan American Round Table* by Lois Terry Marchbanks translated into Spanish.

Respectfully submitted,
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