

Minutes of the 2004 ANNUAL SECAC MEMBERSHIP MEETING

8:30 a.m.: Saturday, October 16
City Terrace 7, Jacksonville, Florida

Call to order

Charles R. Mack

Randy called the meeting to order at 8:40 (about 50 people attended the meeting). Randy turned the organization and “special gavel” over to Don Van Horn. Don asked Randy to read an email send by Olaf Sorensen, who was given special recognition by SECAC last year in Raleigh.

Introduction of new board members and Officers

Charles R. Mack

Don proceeded to introduce new board members and officers: Carol Crown from Tennessee, Floyd Martin from Arkansas, Debra Murphy elected to second term as rep from Florida and Elise Smith from Mississippi, Helen Langa, the at-large representative. Beth Mulvaney is now secretary–treasurer. Welcome to

Approval of minutes from 2003 Annual Business Meeting

Don Van Horn

Bob Lemon moved that we not read the minutes; motion seconded and approved by the body.

Report from Debra Murphy on 2004 Conference

Debra Murphy

Debra thanked the membership for coming and having a good time. Reminded us that there are 3 sessions as well as a full day event at JMoMA, and the trip to St. Augustine. There is a reception at J.Johnson at 4 in St. Augustine to which everyone is invited. Past President Mack proposed a resolution honoring Debra Murphy and her colleagues for putting together such a wonderful conference.

**Treasurer’s Report and Budget for 2005
(see attached)**

Beth Mulvaney

Bob Lemon moved that we adopt the 2005 budget, Saul Zalesch seconded, a few questions were voiced and answered. The motion was approved by voice vote.

Administrator’s Report

Anne Thomas

Anne began by noting that membership is up (pre-conference). At this moment (10/16/04) we have 583 individual members, although some are currently due (who may not renew). We have about 10 new institutional members. In our membership there are currently more studio people (258) than art historians (223) or any other discipline. We have 9 members from outside the east, 9 are international. Credit card payments result in about 4% of usage fees. While it is a substantial cost to the organization, the Board believes it is not only a convenience to the membership, but also it will become an increasing necessity (institutions are demanding it rather than a paper payment). 2004 Conference figures: 293 registered, total of \$27,430 in registration fees; trip, party and cruise total is \$2,915, for a total income of \$28,345.

Rachel Frew, who will become our new Administrator following Anne’s retirement, gave a report reminding people that SECAC’s mailing and email addresses will change: changes will be noted on the website.

Ross McClain was recognized as webmaster (and new father).

**Report from Little Rock, 2005 Conference
Brown**

Jane Hetherington

October 26-30, 2004 at Peabody Hotel in Little Rock. Planning events in conjunction with Clinton Presidential Center and there is a symposium planned on Art and Politics. Art Center has had extensive renovations, possibly a trip to Hot Springs. Honorary Duck Master every day—possible fundraising opportunity.

Future Invitations (2006 and 2007)

1 Nashville Oct. 25-29

Michael Auerbach

Michael Auerbach thanked the Board for approving his bid from Vanderbilt. He noted that Mid-America College Conference will share the conference. Two hotels: the Holiday Inn is willing to lock-in a \$92/day rate and is open to AV equipment being supplied from elsewhere. Vanderbilt is getting a new Art Dept. and wants to show off the new studio art degree. Michael also plans a college fair at the same time (public service event).

1 Charlotte, NC October 24-28

Larry Ligo

Davidson College and Charlotte NC, perhaps with SESAH, at the Hilton Hotel (requires \$10-15,000 in food purchase but then all AV rental is included/"free")

1 ? Don noted that we have been talking to a number of people about possibly hosting conferences. His goal is to identify future conference sites through 2009. He urges people who are even remotely interested, to speak to him about the possibility.

Committee Reports:

SECAC Review report

Michael Duffy

Michael took over the 2004 issue—hopes to have it out in May/June 2005. Collecting material now through January for the 2005 issue. Send Word file of abstracts to Michael Duffy (300-400 word limit). Email him or Helen Langa with ideas for the journal. **Should we include Michael's and Helen's emails?**

Artist's Fellowship

Pat Wasserboehr

Carol Krusa (**is this correct spelling?**) is this year's recipient for exhibition that will be held at Bernice Steinbaum Gallery (**check accuracy of name/spelling**) in Florida. She also will be interviewed for a future *SECAC Review*. She may exhibit work at Little Rock next year. She will be speaking to past jurors about whether award winners should be required to exhibit. There are many issues to consider. She will make recommendations to the Board next year. This year there were only 12 applications; although they were of high quality, there were too few applications. Reminder to members: \$3,000 stipend to help artist. Materials due in mid-September. Discussion followed.

Nominating Report

Don Van Horn

Three things:

1) Don notes that there is no longer a Vice President – Debra Murphy's name was handed to the Board and Don and placed her name forward to the membership (this will be a 10-year "sentence": Vice-President as 4 years (one extra year), President as 3 years, Past-President as 3 years). Randy moved by acclamation, voice vote carried.

1) Board Representative Term expires for VA (Kay Arthur is finishing her 2nd term and is not eligible to serve any longer), Janet Snyder from WV is finishing her first term; Tina Yarborough from GA is finishing Roger Rothman's term—she eligible to run for first full-term; Bob Lyon from SC is finishing 1st term. Don said that he prefers to place two names per state for the ballot. Please forward nominations or self-nominations to Debra Murphy.

2) Lastly, because of Debra's move to Vice-President, the state representative for FL opens up: Steven Bleicher of Art Institute of Ft. Lauderdale will finish Debra's term on the Board. (Debra had just been re-elected to another term on the Board.)

Awards Committee

Don Van Horn

The Awards Committee now will become Debra's responsibility. She will issue information about the awards via the Newsletter (it also is available on the website). This process of soliciting nominations starts immediately. Self-Nominations are welcome. We must recognize excellence. Categories will be in the Newsletter and on the website. Don will encourage Debra to expand the definition and perhaps expand the awards offered.

Affiliates Reports

SESAH

Meeting at end of October in Knoxville. Future sites include Dallas-Ft Worth and Auburn. May join together with SECAC in 2007 at Charlotte.

CWAO

CWAO hosted one panel this in Jacksonville, two participants were brand new MFAs, whose presentations were excellent. CWAO is planning to have another panel at Little Rock, maybe two at Nashville

VRC

Had a terrific session with good feedback. Will continue dissemination of information about digital information at meetings in Little Rock. This summer at Duke University VRC started a summer education institute—registration closed in 8 days. Please check www.VRA.org to check dates (will be in July).

FATE

National organization meeting begins March 29. For information please contact: Betzs@wssu.edu

ATSAH

Sponsored 3 sessions, will sponsor 2 at CAA, also 2 sessions at Renaissance Society meetings at Cambridge, England. ATSAH offers 2 newsletters per year to its membership.

Pamela Simpson

Kyra Belan

Tina Updike

Scott Betz

Liana Cheney

Other Business:

Discussion of SECAC's affiliate status with CAA

Don asked Michael Auerbach to clarify what the rules are for SECAC sessions at CAA. Brad Collins (USC-Columbia) is in charge of getting sessions set up for CAA—announcement will be in newsletter. It was noted that we need a clear mechanism for proposing our sessions at CAA.

Old Business:

Revised Position Papers

About 30 people were involved in revising the papers. The Board recommended that the organization accept the revisions. There are hard copies available—they have been available electronically since January. (The changes are not substantive.) Randy Mack moved for acceptance, Don Van Horn seconded, voice vote carried.

New Business:

Revised Conference Policy

IN ACCORDANCE WITH PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS, PARTICIPANTS ON THE CONFERENCE PROGRAM ARE EXPECTED TO MAKE THEIR PRESENTATIONS IN PERSON. ONLY IF A LAST MINUTE EMERGENCY OCCURS CAN A SUBSTITUTE MAKE THE PRESENTATION. BECAUSE THE PARTICIPANT HAS RECEIVED THE PROFESSIONAL BENEFIT OF BEING LISTED IN THE PROGRAM, NO CONFERENCE FEES WILL BE REFUNDED IN THE EVENT OF SUCH AN EMERGENCY.

Debra explained what had occurred this year that precipitated the clarification of our policy. Motion to add statement and seconded. Voice vote carried.

President's Remarks

Don van Horn addressed issues we need to continue looking at: future conferences, conference planning—will appoint an ad hoc committee to look at issues about identifying sites and thoughts/recommendations about holding conferences without a host.

He noted the Board's desire to create an ad hoc committee to look at investments – somebody needs to be following our investments on a regular basis and investigating other possibilities for the organizations

Will work diligently at getting the 2003 issue of the *SECAC Review* into the hands of the membership.

Wants to look at how we communicate with the membership

2004 SECAC Business Meeting

SECAC is more than just this conference—we need to investigate opportunities to be more of a 12-month organization to benefit all of us.

Need to look at the terms of office (9 years goes by quickly and provide continuity, but it can be a burden and it doesn't allow a greater number to participate): Time to look at it (perhaps 2-2-2?)

The 2004 SECAC Business meeting adjourned at 10:07 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth A. Mulvaney, SECAC secretary-treasurer