Minutes of the Business Meeting

Saturday, October 22, 2005, Hyatt Regency Hotel, Lexington, KY

I. Call to Order
Chapter chair Bob Delvin called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. He reported that 48 registrations had been received for the Lexington meeting and acknowledged the work of the Local Arrangements and Program committees. First-time attendees were recognized.

II. Approval of the 2004 Meeting Minutes
Minutes of the 2004 business meeting in St. Louis were approved as presented.

III. Secretary-Treasurer’s Report
Bob presented the treasurer’s report for Mike Duffy, who could not attend. In discussion, Brad Short asked why the chapter has $8,000 in cash. Others voiced support for having the funds on hand, primarily for publications (oral history project), unexpected meeting expenses, and support for national meetings (e.g., our gift for local arrangements in Memphis in 2006, and anticipated support for Chicago in 2009). After discussion the report was accepted, pending clarification of the line items for scholarship disbursements and a question about how much, if any, of chapter assets are in separate funds not reflected in the regular budget.

IV. Election Results
Mike Duffy was re-elected Secretary-Treasurer, Bob thanked Andy Leach for his willingness to be nominated. Next year a new nominating committee will present candidates for chair-elect.

V. Committee Reports
• Cataloging Committee (Kerri Scannell): Fourteen attended the committee meeting. There was discussion of FRBR, the replacement of AACR2 (RDA), Connexion searching techniques, an LC proposal to close dates on authority records, and downloading Naxos records by libraries that subscribe to the listening service. The committee continues to discuss who will chair.
  • Membership Committee (Mary Huismann): Four attended the meeting. Sheri Stormes reported on activities of the Library School Outreach Project and will write an article for the newsletter. There was discussion about how to reach prospective members, particularly paraprofessionals and staff in public libraries. Perhaps state library agencies can assist. The committee welcomes ideas from chapter members. The committee also reviewed the membership brochure. Comments and suggestions may be sent to Lynne Weber. Mary thanked Lynne for her service as committee chair.
  • Public Services Committee (Emma Dederick): The committee had a lively discussion of issues related to open-shelf access for CDs, DVDs, videos, etc. They previewed the Reference Refresher held Friday morning and discussed ideas for the 2006 chapter meeting. The committee is in search of a new chair.
  • Publications Committee (Therese Dickman): There was no meeting, but the committee continues to work on the online membership directory and the oral history project. The directory, on the chapter website, will include institutional information only. Members who do not wish to be included should check the appropriate line on the membership renewal form. Work on the oral history project continues with three additional interviews: Phyllis Schoonover, by Holling Smith-Borne and Sheri Stormes; Nyal Williams, by Keith Cochran; and Laurie Probst, by Ann-Marie Rigler. Therese will have recording equipment at MLA in Memphis for anyone who can do an interview. A release form will be available on the website. Interviews will continue until the project is published for the 70th annual meeting (changed from the 65th).
  • TAPS Committee (Don Widmer): Seven attended the meeting, highlighted by a discussion on preservation of electronic resources led by Becky Ryder, Head of Preservation Services at the Young Library, UK. Activities for the past year were reviewed, including three “Tips from TAPS” columns for the newsletter and the website. The committee is looking for a new chair.
  • Bylaws Committee (Beth Christensen): no need for changes to the bylaws—just a reminder to adhere to them!

VI. Scholarship Awards
Amy Pennington, an MLS student at the University of Missouri-Columbia, was awarded the Retirees Scholarship for Student Members. Amy also works at the Gaylord Music Library at Washington University, St. Louis. Marlys Scabrough, operations assistant at the music library of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, received the first Leslie Troutman Scholarship.

VIII. Old Business
None.

IX. New Business
Bob reported that the Executive Committee discussed regularization of the scholarship awards. Historically, award amounts have been decided annually, based primarily on the number of applicants. A set amount for each award would avoid having to decide this each year and would let applicants know what is available. The committee will continue to discuss this and report to the membership.

X. Announcements
  • The chapter sent greetings to Bonna Boettcher, who is recovering from knee surgery.
  • Future chapter meetings are: 2006, Milwaukee, Oct. 5-7; 2007, Cincinnati; 2008, Kansas City. The chapter welcomes invitations for 2009 and beyond.

XI. Adjournment
The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

—Recorded by Greg Fitzgerald, Newsletter Editor for Mike Duffy, Secretary-Treasurer