



Michigan Chapter SLA Chapter Meeting  
Southfield Public Library  
February 1, 2007

President Laura Mancini called the business meeting to order at 6:10 PM. Judy Field moved to approve the agenda; Barry Puckett seconded the motion, and the agenda was approved without further discussion.

1. Hospitality Chair Marie Fraties-Block announced that there were 20 students in attendance and 13 guests. She thank the three LIS students who helped at the Hospitality Table: Karly Szczepkowski (WSU), Dana Thomson (WSU) and, Kate MacDougall (U of M).

2. Secretary Joan Martin distributed minutes of the December 7, 2006 Chapter meeting for approval. Judy Field moved to approve the minutes; Barry Puckett seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved without further discussion.

3. Treasurer Linda Strand announced the Chapter's Balance Sheet as of February 1, 2007. The Michigan SLA checking fund had a balance of \$8,542.59 and the SLA Pooled Fund had a balance of \$5,052.63.

4. Announcements from President Laura Mancini:

- On behalf of Employment Chair, Melissa Behrens, Laura reminded members that open positions are posted on the Chapter web site and posted to our listserv.
- New Board members were announced: President Elect Paula Storm, Director Leslie Burke, Archivist Nancy Yee, Diversity Chair Sophia Guevara, Membership Chair Karen Kuhn and Public Relations Chair Maria Catalfo.
- Paula Storm asked members to get in touch with her concerning meeting ideas for the coming year. In addition, a meeting survey was passed out to solicit feedback on tonight's presentation and ideas for future meetings.
- Laura attended the Leadership Summit in Reno, NV and learned that SLA headquarters is investing in WebEx technology for virtual programming Chapters will be able to take advantage of this; Click University (SLA online training portal), launched in January 2007, is now offering a Competitive Intelligence certificate; Gary Price, a Michigan graduate will begin doing quarterly updates for Click University . The first one will be February 13<sup>th</sup>, at a cost of only \$15.
- Laura thanked two sponsors for their financial support of today's meeting: *WSJ Online* and the *National Archive Publishing Company*. She also

thanked Mary Beall and the Southfield Public Library for hosting today's event.

5. Old Business

The merger of the Michigan Chapter with the Western MI Upper Peninsula Chapter was approved by SLA at the meeting in Reno, NV. Over the next few months, the merger of assets will take place. The Programming Committee will seek to provide programming that will be accessible to our geographically dispersed membership, including the use of WebEx and other appropriate technologies. Members of the Western MI Upper Peninsula Chapter in the audience were recognized and warmly welcomed into the new, combined Chapter.

6. New Business - None

7. Adjournment

A motion was made by Judy Field to adjourn the meeting. Barry Puckett seconded the motion and the business meeting was adjourned by President Laura Mancini at 6:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted.

Joan Martin, Secretary  
February 5, 2007