



Michigan Chapter SLA, Holiday and Annual Business Meeting
Spot O'Tea, Birmingham, MI
December 7, 2006

President Charlene Stachnik called the business meeting to order at 7:50 PM

1. Hospitality Chair Marie Fraties-Block welcomed students, guests and first-time attendees.
2. Secretary Joan Martin distributed minutes of the November 9, 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 December 7, 2006. The Michigan SLA checking fund had a balance of \$8,113.89 and the SLA Pooled Fund had a balance of \$4,868.35.
4. Announcements from President Charlene Stachnik
 - Mary Ellen Bates will speak at our next Chapter meeting on Feb. 1, 2007 at the Southfield Public Library.
 - Bulletin co-editors, Beth Bogdanski and Pam Repp have asked for contributions to the Winter Chapter Bulletin by Mid-February.

Announcement from Employment Chair, Melissa Behrens

- There are five job openings. All are listed on the Chapter's web site.

5. Old Business

Charlene Stachnik distributed copies of the "Michigan and Western & Upper Peninsula Chapters Merge Timeline"

(<http://units.sla.org/CHAPTER/CMI/minutes/2006-2007/chmerger.doc>). She reviewed the reasons for the proposed merger, what actions had already been completed, and what remains to be done. Charlene and President Elect, Laura Mancini addressed several questions about the proposed merger from the floor to the satisfaction of members. Judy Field presented the motion, "I move that our Chapter merge with the Western & Upper Peninsula Chapter." Nancy Yee seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken, with all 'ayes' and no 'nays', thus the motion was carried.

Immediate next steps:

A ballot will be created using Survey Monkey and will be distributed on, or near, December 8th. Chapter members who do not have an email address will receive

a ballot by mail. Ballots must be returned by December 20th. Two-thirds of the membership must vote on the proposal.

6. New Business

Susan Haule represented the evening's sponsor, Global Insight. She encouraged members to visit the web site, www.globalinsight.com, where their services are described. In addition, there is some free economic and business data that would be useful for research purposes. Susan drew names for a \$100 gift certificate to American Express. The winner was Cheryl Pfeifer of Ford Motor Company.

Erin O'Mara, Volunteer Coordinator at Children's Hospital gratefully accepted the donations of toddler books gathered at this Chapter meeting. She spoke of the Hospital's literacy efforts related to the national "Reach Out and Read" initiative.

Charlene introduced, and thanked the 2005-2006 Chapter Board and Committee Chairs.

Carla Brooks, a member of the Nominating Committee, presented the upcoming slate of new officers:

--President Elect, Paula Storm

--Director, Leslie Burke

There were no additional nominees from the floor. Judy Field made a motion, "I move to accept the slate." Barry Puckett seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken, with all 'ayes' and no 'nays', thus the motion was carried.

Charlene announced that Molly Kleinman, a graduate student at U of M, School of Information Science was the recipient of the Chapter's \$600 University of Michigan scholarship. Announcement of the Wayne State University \$600 scholarship winner will take place in the spring.

Charlene also announced Chapter members who this year celebrated their 5-year, 10-year, 15-year, 20-year or 30-year anniversaries. In addition, she congratulated two retirees: Paulette Groen of Visteon and Dottie Riemenschneider of the University of Michigan.

Charlene officially passed the gavel to our new Chapter President, Laura Mancini. Laura presented Charlene with a plaque thanking her for contributions to the Chapter over the past 18 months. Kathy Irwin read a thank you letter from Past President, Joel Scheuher acknowledging Charlene's very capable leadership as President.

Laura Mancini introduced new Board Members and Committee Chairs:

a) Archivist, Nancy Yee

b) Public Relations, Marie Catalfio

c) Membership, Karen Kuhn

d) Program Committee: Alicia Biggers, Diane Johnson, Vicky Bellon, Kerri Otto and Peng Xu.

7. Adjournment

President Laura Mancini moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Past President Charlene Stachnik and the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted.

Joan Martin, Secretary
December 11, 2006