



SLA Michigan Chapter Board Meeting
Southfield Public Library, Southfield, Michigan
February 10, 2005

1. Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 4:59pm by President Joel Scheuher. Those present were: Joel Scheuher, Charlene Stachnik, Kathy Irwin, Laura Mancini, Alicia Biggers, Christopher Bloodworth, Laura Nielsen and Joan Martin.

2. Approve November 4, 2004 minutes: Joel Scheuher presented the minutes on behalf of Sara Koch. Kathy Irwin moved to approve the minutes, Laura Mancini seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved without discussion.

3. Treasurer's report: Laura Mancini presented the current bank account balances and program revenue and expenses. Joan Martin moved that we accept the report and Laura Nielsen seconded the motion.

4. Old Business:

- Minimizing Software Costs: Joel sent a message to the Association about bearing the responsibility of software contract negotiations. No word yet from HQ. He will follow up with HQ again.
- Digital Camera: Joan Martin will look into pricing options and features for a digital camera to be used to take photographs that can be included in the bulletin and posted to the website.
- Annual Meeting Venue: Chris Bloodworth reported on the room fee to hold an event at the Detroit Institute of Arts. After discussion, the Board agreed it would be too expensive. Chris will now look at other potential venues, including the Casinos and Fishbones.

5. New Business:

- Membership: Kathy Irwin is sending our new pens to members and is following up of people who have let their membership lapse. Many of these members have re-activated. About 85% of new members are students.
- Recognition: Kathy also mentioned that those who had been in the Chapter for 25-years were given a medallion as recognition for their participation. This was started in 1988. She will look back to see if we have missed anyone in recent years.
- Archives/Lists on Website: Kathy also suggested that we keep lists on the website of Past Award Recipients and Scholarship Winners, in addition to the Past-Presidents that are currently listed on the Website.
- Next Program receiving Janice Lachance: Charlene updated the Board on the status of Janice's Scheduled trip on March 29, 2005. The Board decided to pick up the cost of Meals and Lodging while Janice is in town. Charlene will follow up with WSU and UM about hosting Janice. Charlene will contact Stephanie Russel, Janice's administrator, to get more details about her expected stay.
- Committee Reports: Joel reminded the Board that their annual reports, highlighting the year's activity, are due April 15.



- New Governance Year: Joel informed the Board that a change at HQ will bring our Governance Year (currently July-June) in line with the calendar year (Jan-Dec). The transition will take place during the 18 month period from July 2006 through December 2007. The Association is allowing each chapter to decide how to handle the transition. SLA is recommending that officers serve 18 month tenures during the transition. All present offered to pitch in to help during this period.
- Document Review: Kathy informed the Board that the review of the Procedure Manual is moving forward and should be completed by the end of the program year. There may need to be further discussion about students serving as elected officers. Kathy will send out pros and cons to the discussion list.

6. Adjournment: Laura Mancini moved to approve the adjournment. Joan Martin seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 5:32 pm.

Submitted, February 11, 2005

Joel Scheuher, President, Michigan Chapter SLA