

OBS-SIS Board Meeting
July 10, 2004
Boston, Massachusetts

Board members present: Kevin Butterfield, Mary Jane Kelsey, Georgia Briscoe, Richard Jost, Michael Maben, Andrea Rabbia, Ruth Funabiki, and Eloise Vondruska.

Kevin Butterfield called the meeting to order at 4:23pm. Kevin introduced Richard Jost and Caitlin Robinson as the newly elected members of the board.

Kevin reported on CONELL from this morning. It went well and he met a number of firm librarians.

Andrea reported on the joint reception for this evening. It is all set up and ready. Andrea thought that the complete expense should be covered by Innovative's donation. Next year it will be Caitlin's responsibility.

Ruth has the activities table all set up. We will be raffling off President Clinton's new autobiography. Georgia will draw the winning entry.

Georgia reported on the Education Committee—five program proposals have been planned. They are 1) Table of Contents; 2) Federated searching; 3) Electronic Routing; 4) Z39.50; and 5) MARBI report. In addition, Georgia wanted to have Roy Tennant or Marshall Keyes speak, with a joint sponsorship from TS. The board approved this plan.

Eloise reported on the Joint Research Grant. We had one grant application and it met all the requirements. TS voted to fund \$500.00. After some discussion about OBS's financial situation, the board agreed to cover the grant's postage and copying costs (#2 on the grant), estimated at \$40.00. Eloise will draft the letter to the applicants.

Kevin has submitted our annual report for *Law Library Journal* to Frank Houdek.

Kevin reported that the SIS dues will be going up \$3.00, with the SIS's received a \$1.50 of that amount. Kevin also reported about the moves to electronic voting and the concern with identifying members. The Computing Services SIS bylaws have been cited as specifying how electronic voting will work.

Finally, Kevin reported that the meeting matrix in San Antonio will be the same as Boston, and the AALL Professional Development Committee has been dissolved.

The board then had a discussion about the financial situation of OBS. Michael's report and spread sheet were available to see where our money has gone. The expense of continuing to support TSLC continues to put pressure on OBS's bottom line. A number of ideas were discussed, including only paying postage for OBS members who are not members of TS. We will check with Brian on how many people there are in this category. Georgia will further pursue issues with TSLC with the TSLC Advisory Board.

The meeting was the adjourned at 5:25pm.

Respectfully submitted—

Michael Maben

Secretary/Treasurer