

ONLINE BIBLIOGRAPHIC SERVICES SIS
July 14th 2007 Outgoing Board meeting

Present: Caitlin Robinson, Andrea Rabbia, Susan Goldner, Corinne Jacox and Kathy Faust.
Special guests: Susan Karpuk and Brian Striman.

Susan called the meeting to order at 3:45.

Expenses for the new signs and the audio-visual setups for the OCLC/RLIN meeting and the vendor showcase were discussed. Since we are just getting our finances back on an even keel it was suggested that we look to vendors as a possible source of revenue for projects.

Kathy gave the treasurer's report. We have \$2,864.58 in the treasury.

Andrea went over the annual survey. She got a 23% response rate. She's hoping the survey will be helpful for planning the 2008 program. Details about the survey responses can be found on the OBS website.

Corinne reviewed the plans for the alphabet soup reception. Innovative donated \$6500 this year to cover the costs of the reception. Some questioned whether we should continue having the reception or whether we could put the donation from Innovative to better use; no conclusion was reached. Corinne also worked on creating a new brochure, which turned out beautifully. It didn't cost us anything, as each SIS is allowed a new brochure every three years. 1,000 brochures were produced, 300 of which Corinne brought to the conference.

Caitlin talked about what was on the activities table in the exhibit hall. She has put out brochures, a list of the OBS sponsored programs, books and candy.

Andrea reported that she has nine prospective programs: a program on understanding between technical services and public services managers; RSS feeds for new acquisitions lists; patron services with new technologies; "The good, the bad, and the ugly"; Making TOCs tick; bulk importing of bibliographic records (co-sponsored with Technical Services SIS); technical services and system challenges; cataloging desktop and classweb; and, alternatives to OCLC for getting bibliographic records (submitted on TS survey and passed on to OBS). And perhaps another vendor showcase.

As regards the vendor showcase this year, Susan announced that Mary Jane Kelsey, this year's coordinator of the showcase, would have to leave early as she will be receiving the Renee D. Chapman award at the TS business meeting.

The OCLC/RLIN committee will be co-chaired again this coming year. The by-laws will need to be changed to reflect the changes that have occurred with these committees.

The record sharing committee is not ready to make any recommendations. They are still evaluating responses to the survey they sent out.

The joint research grant committee is considering creating a wiki where people can check out what research other people are working on. Hopefully this will also get younger people involved.

Brian talked about TSSL. He's hoping to get publication back on a regular schedule. TSSL now has its own email account so TSSL email doesn't get lost in Brian's email account. He wants to start a wiki which might eventually tie into the research roundtable. He's been working on a structures and policies document which is almost done. The fact that TSSL is now free has not effected our budget negatively. In 2003 we had 328 members; in 2005, 333 members; in 2006, 307 members.

Susan rounded out the meeting by explaining the considerations that went into scheduling programs and the problems that crop up.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30.

Respectfully submitted by:
Kathy Faust
Secretary/Treasurer