

LEGAL INFORMATION SERVICES TO THE PUBLIC - SIS

Annual Business Meeting - San Antonio, TX
Sunday July 17, 2005

MINUTES

ATTENDEES:

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WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS:

Marie Erickson called the meeting to order. Each attendee introduced himself or herself.

1. **Minutes** - David McFadden made a motion to accept the minutes of the last meeting as recorded. Lee Warthen seconded the motion. All members agreed and the motion was passed.

2. **Treasurer's Report** - Catherine Hendrickson stated that the Treasury balance as of 5/31/2005 was \$6,798.47. Judy Flader moved to accept the Treasurer's Report, Amy Hale seconded, and the motion was passed.

A brief discussion followed during which:

David McFadden - commented that although he had noticed members of LISP present in San Antonio, they were not all present at this meeting.

Amy Hale - suggested that possibly membership dues would attract more people to our meetings.

Sara Galagan - said that she felt that AALL should consider changing the format of the Program so that there are fewer, or no conflicts - starting with the St. Louis program next year.

Amy Hale - stated that maybe we should consider a drawing, or a silent auction, to pull people to the meetings.

David McFadden - noted that our SIS meeting is in conflict with SIRIPS and the members have to choose one or the other.

Marie Erickson - suggested that we should consider forming a liaison with another SIS to avoid conflicts.

Elizabeth Schneider - commented that many people are attracted to meetings by free food.

Amy Hale - suggested that we might consider a roundtable somewhere off-site. Possibly a 7:00 am or 8:00 am breakfast meeting (a "business breakfast"). Amy agreed to or-ordinate the sending of invitations and determining what portion of the breakfast LISP should pay.

Elizabeth Schneider - said that possibly we should consider a Saturday night dinner.

Amy Hale - volunteered to send a survey asking recipients to choose between breakfast and dinner, and to have a spot on the survey where members could indicated whether they were more likely to attend one or the other.

David McFadden - volunteered to check with other SIS chapters in an attempt to resolve potential St. Louis conflicts by November 1, 2005, and formulate a report.

3. Election of new Officers - approval "ayes" by all members present for:

Judy Flader - President-Elect

Catherine Hendrickson - Secretary/Treasurer

4. Bylaws change:

Amy Hale made a motion to adopt the language for our bylaws as previously suggested.* Catherine Hendrickson seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all members present.

Amy Hale agreed to change the SCCLL website.

5. Newsletter editor replacement:

Discussion regarding our Newsletter which will be distributed two times a year.

Amy Hale - volunteered to be editor of the newsletter. Amy proposed that we use HTML format to assemble and send a professional-looking product, and to distribute it under the Listserv for AALL.

Elizabeth Schneider - noted that in order to go on the AALL Listserv, the newsletter has to pass AALL in Chicago and a Publication Committee.

Amy Hale - volunteered to send a survey to the List requesting individual preferences for the newsletter and asking members to choose from print - pdf - or email (HTML).

6. Fifty-State Tool-kit Project:

Lee Warthen - commented on the progress of creating and publishing library tool-kits containing basic legal resources available in each state. He is still trying to reach the states that have not as yet contributed. Lee is planning to talk to Chapter people at PALI.

7. Magnifier Bookmarks:

David McFadden - made a motion to sell bookmarks at \$.20 each in packages of 500. Elizabeth Schneider seconded the motion. All members present agreed. The motion was passed.

8. Status of the LISP print/electronic clearinghouse:

Elizabeth Schneider - stated that the Clearinghouse at Minnesota State Library is for Law Librarians, but the focus of the above-mentioned tool-kit is non-law librarians. She feels that the Clearinghouse doesn't fill both functions. Possibly a Chapter doing something similar could link to us, or we could link to them. However, she noted that updating could present problems.

9. SIS-Vip program:

Discussion commenced regarding approaching Judge Toussaint of the Minnesota Court of Appeals or Justice Hallard from California/Arizona as speakers. It was agreed that the Executive Committee would vote and prepare a biography to put out on the Listserv.

Judy A. Flader - volunteered to solicit additional names by January 2006.

10. LISP participation in the 100th Anniversary Celebration in St. Louis:

A discussion was held regarding the theme of "Leadership, Education and Advocacy" and the members agreed to consider how LISP could best contribute.

11. New Chair's "theme" for the Year:

Sara Galligan - stated that she intends to encourage more interaction among public, pro se and court law libraries, and to foster more communication between public and county law librarians.

Amy Hale - mentioned that we should try to focus on the potential change in position for SRLs (self-represented litigants) for the next 100 years.

12. Remembrance for Kathy Garner (former LISP chair who passed away this year):

Marie Erickson - suggested a donation to charity, or maybe a travel grant to cover registration.

Amy Hale - made a motion that LISP provide a travel grant. Judy Flader and David McFadden seconded. All the members in attendance approved and the motion was passed.

13. Other:

A discussion was held regarding a change in the meeting schedule next year; the education summit in IL next year, and the need for more SIS news in Spectrum.

14. Adjournment:

Judy Flader - Made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Marie Erickson seconded the motion. All members in attendance agreed, and the meeting was adjourned.

Minutes prepared and submitted by Catherine Hendrickson August 29, 2005.

* Article VI. Nomination and Election of Officers, Section 4: Election

The Officers of the Section shall be elected by ballot. The Secretary Treasurer shall oversee the distribution of the official ballot to each member of the Section before April 1. The ballot shall be sent electronically. Members may receive a mail ballot upon request to the Secretary/Treasurer.

(Section 4 continues with the following unchanged language):

Ballots shall be marked and returned to the Secretary/Treasurer at the latest two (2) months prior to the annual meeting. The candidates receiving the largest number of votes for each office shall be declared elected, and shall be reported by the Secretary/Treasurer at the annual meeting of the Section. All candidates shall be notified of the results of the election at the earliest possible time.