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SOCIETY FOR ADVANCEMENT OF POYNTER LIBRARY

Board of Directors Meeting

January 16, 2003

4:00 p.m. Library Conference Room

Present: Theodora Aggeles, Marion Ballard, Bethia Caffery, Najwa Hahn, Elizabeth Haslam, David Hubbell, Marci Jacobs, Marlene Mock, Betty Jean Miller, and Joyce Van Horn. Ex officio: Kathy Arsenault, Barbara Reynolds and Maria Xakis

President Betty Jean Miller called the meeting to order at 4:00 P.M.

The minutes were approved as submitted.

Report from Dr. Ralph Wilcox, VP and Campus Executive Officer

Dr. Ralph C. Wilcox was welcomed and introduced to the Board. Dr. Wilcox shared with the Board possible future plans and goals for the University of South Florida St. Petersburg. USF SP will be focusing on four areas to strengthen and develop in depth. Programs to be introduced, enlarged or strengthened will include the following: Journalism in conjunction with the Poynter Institute, Social and Corporate Responsibility to include Forensic Accounting, Florida Studies Program including Florida Humanities and Environmental Science and Policy/Coastal Sciences.

Dr. Wilcox also discussed K-12 educational programs partnering with schools and on-campus housing. The fall of 2005 could possibly see the first on-campus housing. A current search for 61 new professors and ten new executives and management personnel for USF SP is in progress. Questions and answers followed.

Library Dean's Report: Kathy Arsenault

Dean Arsenault reported that with recent additions the total number of books in the library is now over 200,000 and most available space has been utilized although newly purchased shelving is relieving the immediate space problem. Dean Arsenault said she will now report to the Associate Vice-President of Academic Affairs and is pleased with the change because she will have stronger relationships with academic deans and the computer center. There have been some delays with the wireless equipment set-up but she hopes to demonstrate it at the next SAPL meeting. Mika Slaughter is now the Distance Learning Librarian.

Serious problems with the periodical vendors have become an issue. Due to bankruptcy filings, subscription money has been lost and services have been disrupted. An early resolution may not be possible.

Dean Arsenault was congratulated on receiving her 20-year service award. Teddi Aggeles asked if someone could get a picture of Kathy receiving the award to be used in the next newsletter.

Treasurer's Report: Marci Jacobs

Marci Jacobs reported \$13,597.87, with \$10,228.40 in the Foundation and \$3,369.42 in the Auxiliary account. Expenses included \$2500 for the wireless network and \$108 for the

newsletter. Donations of \$500 each by Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Barnes and Bill Mills Sr. were noted.

Book Fair

Marion Ballard is processing books as they come in. Donations for the Book Fair should be good quality books and no computer books over two years old. At the March SAPL meeting she will be asking for volunteers: one person on Thursday, about eight on Friday (set-up in the morning, sell in the afternoon – divided into shifts) and three on Saturday.

Fiction Contest Report

Teddi Aggeles reported response to the contest was poor; however, all campuses were represented. The deadline for entry was January 9 with only twelve submissions. In the past, response has been 30-40, but this year's entries were of good quality. Five or six were very good. The contest coincides with Christmas break, which may have effected participation. We may have to change the date. Winners and honorable mention will be chosen in two weeks. A discussion on Tampa's contest and ours, in regard to participation, followed. The prize is \$100 more in Tampa, so we may have to consider increasing our prize money.

Old Business

Comments were made on how well the newsletter turned out and Rita Gould was thanked for coordinating the articles.

Discussion on the brochure included cost of printing and how many should be printed. Lightning Press has quoted 1000 copies for \$243.99, 2000 - \$303.60 and 3000 for \$358.18. Teddi Aggeles made a motion to print 1000, seconded by Elizabeth Haslam, approved by the Board.

Dean Arsenault suggested since parking on campus will be more available during Spring Break, we move the next Board meeting to March 13, the Board agreed.

Speakers Ray Arsenault and Roy Clark have been confirmed for the Annual Meeting, set for April 25.

New Business

Najwa Hahn asked if we might be able to provide some type of scholarships. Kathy suggested education development or text book support might be made to students or the Library staff.

Oscar Blasingame will be retiring from the Board due to health reasons. The suggestion was made to donate a book to the Library in his name. Discussion followed on honoring resigned members. Guidelines would need to be developed.

Submitted by:
Marlene Mock