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SOCIETY FOR ADVANCEMENT OF POYNTER LIBRARY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
September 21, 2006
4:00 P.M. Library Conference Room

Present: David Hubbell, Jerry Donahue, Marion Ballard, Robin Caldwell, Najwa Hahn, Ann Sackett, Marlene Mock, Sue Fraser, Kristina Thyre. Ex-officio: Kathy Arsenault, Barbara Reynolds, Jean Ferguson.

The meeting was called to order by President David Hubbell, who opened with introductions of those present.

Treasurer's Report: Marion Ballard

Marion explained that SAPL has money on account (\$9,998), but we haven't received a check for the internet book sales through Better World Books, and that the results were not as good as hoped for. She said she would need to interview Patricia Pettijohn (who's been recovering from surgery) about exploring other avenues. Najwa asked about student societies, and Kathy replied that she would investigate with Student Affairs. Ann asked about a tie-in with the Times Festival of Reading, but Marion said SAPL would probably not be allowed to "piggyback" off of it.

Library Dean's Report: Kathy Arsenault

Kathy reported that the laptops have been very popular (although one battery blew up), and that the library is getting a cart to automate the recharge and recloning process. She also mentioned that the fiction contest had been very successful, with fifteen quality submissions. Kathy distributed the annual report for the library. She noted that book circulation was up 31% for the academic year 2005/06. She spoke about the two new librarians hired over the summer: Kaya Townsend (geography) who had decorated a bookmobile for the Parking Garage grand opening, set up a booth for Campus Showcase, and prepared a program for Banned Books Week, and Marcy Carrel (MBA) who had recently returned from service in the Peace Corps. Kathy also commented on Barbara's vacancy and two others within the library.

Newsletter: Kathy Arsenault

Kathy explained that the SAPL newsletter was overdue with Barbara's leaving, and she asked Dr. Hubbell to please write a President's Column for the newsletter.

Annual Meeting: Kathy Arsenault

Kathy suggested Dr. Hugh LaFollette from the philosophy department as the guest speaker for the annual meeting.

New Business:

- When asked how to spend the SAPL balance, Kathy replied that she would ask the librarians at their next meeting.

- Marion further explained the end of the book fairs due to declining sales, and Sue pointed out that the public library has several shelves of books for sale. Kathy responded that Tampa had not found that method to be worthwhile.
- Dr. Hubbell brought up the topic of the collection of original presidential signatures, indicating that some were still needed if anyone could get them. Marion suggested that the Times might write an article and said she would call Mary Jane Park.
- A motion was introduced and seconded to commend Barbara Reynolds for all her hard work for SAPL over the years and for her 22 years of service to the USF Library. The meeting was adjourned to celebrate with a wine and cheese party.