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SOCIETY FOR ADVANCEMENT OF POYNTER LIBRARY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
March 16, 2006
4:00 P.M. Library Conference Room

Present: Betty Jean Miller, David Hubbell, Robin Caldwell, Najwa Hahn, Ann Sackett, Marci Jacobs, Kristina Thyrré. Ex-officio: Kathy Arsenault, Barbara Reynolds, Jean Ferguson.

The meeting was called to order at 4:15 by Vice President Robin Caldwell. The minutes from the last meeting were amended; the balance in the account was \$14,561.

President's Report: There was no president's report.

Library Dean's Report: Kathy Arsenault

- The parking garage is due to be completed in May.
- The accreditation review team came in during the first part of the month. They liked what they saw but were concerned about staffing. A consultant is due to come in to review staffing needs. For example, one challenge is that the library currently closes at 10:00 p.m., and extended hours will be necessary when the residence halls open.
- Karilyn Jaap (reference librarian and special collections) is looking forward to retirement at the end of April.
- The first shipment of books was sent to Better World Books by Patricia Pettijohn and staff. There were more than ten cartons of books from the Bishop house. We have not heard back from BWB yet.
- Special Collections and Jim Schnur have a new acquisition. It is a church register used by Methodist circuit riders in northern Pinellas County and one of the first written records in the county. It was purchased for \$750 from Michael Slicker of Lighthouse Books.
- A list of the new audio books was handed out. Please check them out.
- The library is the hub of classroom media and distance learning for the campus. David Brodosi is working on setting up podcasts for several distance learning classes.
- Gary Mormino, author of Land of Sunshine, State of Dreams: A Social History of Florida, will be the speaker for the annual meeting.
- The Poynter Library building will be ten years old in August. During that time, 1.3 million people have come through the library.

Treasurer's Report: Barbara Reynolds

The account balance is \$10,569. This includes the three new laptops purchased by SAPL for student use.

Annual Meeting: Robin Caldwell

The annual meeting will be held on the library terrace on Friday, April 28, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Fiction Contest: Kathy Arsenault

Three stories have already been submitted and there are promises of two more. The deadline is April 7.

New Business:

- David Hubbell mentioned that Bob Hall and Town & Gown were already doing a book group.
- Betty Jean suggested Bill Wallace for the board, and David Hubbell offered to call him. Kathy suggested Louise Weaver, and Betty Jean said she would call her. Ann said she would invite Jerry Donahue to the annual meeting as a potential board candidate. Marci suggested that a student be on the board; Kathy agreed to mention it to Student Government.
- A discussion was initiated about how to raise awareness and membership for SAPL.
- Barbara indicated that this was the meeting to nominate next year's officers, so all agreed to keep them the same for another year.

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.