

Mid America Association of Law Libraries
Business Meeting New Orleans at AALL
July 16, 2007

President John Christiansen called the meeting to order at 12:15 pm. He introduced members of the Board: Brian Striman (Past President); Darla Jackson (Treasurer); Marilyn Nicely (Secretary); Liz Glankler (Member-at-Large). Brenda Foote (Member-at-Large) was not present.

A list of programs at Lincoln for the annual conference was distributed.

John recognized Eileen Searles who is the retired library director from St. Louis University. New members or first time attendees were asked to stand and introduce themselves: they were June Stuart, University of Arkansas Little Rock; Doug Lind, Southern Illinois University; Candle Wester-Mittan, Southern Illinois University; Lauren Bardgett, University of Oklahoma; Sharon Nelson, Northern Illinois University; and Karen Collins, Oklahoma City University

Darla Jackson gave the Treasurer's report which was accepted by motion, seconded by Richard Amelung.

Stephanie Pearlman reported the Slate of officers for the Nominations Committee (Mike Mc Reynolds and Darin Fox)

Nominees are:

Vice President/ President Elect-- Joe Custer, University of Kansas
Treasurer—Jan Medved, Jackson County Law Library; and Fred Chan, University of Arkansas
Member-At-Large—Brenda Foote, Thomson Coburn; and Fred Chan University of Arkansas

There will be an Electronic Ballot

Rich Leiter, University of Nebraska, reported on Local Arrangements for the MAALL Conference in Lincoln this fall. The conference hotel is in the downtown historic district where there are 3 coffee shops and 12 restaurants. There will be an opening reception at the State Capitol Law Library. Either Rivka Sass or Roy Mersky will be the speaker. There will be a tour of the Joe Christensen Law Journal Publisher building. The last day will be in the newly remodeled Schmid Law Library. The program is listed on the MAALL web site.

Cindy Chick, University of Arkansas reported that the 2008 annual meeting in Fayetteville will be either October 16-18 or October 9-11.

John asked for volunteers for future sites of meetings. If interested in hosting, send John an E-mail.

John announced that Committee appointments for 2007/2008 would be done by the Vice-President/President-Elect prior to the year of service starting at the fall MAALL meeting so that the committees can be ready to begin work at the start of the next year.

David Gay, chair of the GRC reported for the Government Relations Committee that the committee has been in contact with Mary Baisch, chair of AALL's GRC.

Barbara Ginsburg, Chair of the Library Relations Committee, said the committee reaches out to 6 library schools within the MAALL groups and requested volunteers to help. Mera Green from Tulsa is already on the committee.

John reported that he would like to organize a roundtable to encourage the preservation by State and Supreme Court Libraries of historic publications dating back to the mid 1800's.

Mat Novak, MAALL Markings editor, requested article contributions and to contact him or Marilyn Nicely, articles editor. He requested a volunteer to report on news from other chapters by reading their newsletters. The deadline for the next MAALL Markings is August 3.

The meeting was adjourned at 1 pm.