

**Minutes of the MAALL Business Meeting
Tuesday, July 13, 2004
Boston, Massachusetts**

The business meeting was called to order at 12:30 PM by MAALL President Kay Andrus who welcomed all members and guests to Boston.

New members were welcomed to MAALL and recognized by name. They are Herb Cihak, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville; Diane Murley, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale; Stefanie Pearlman, University of Nebraska, Lincoln; and Amber Hewitt, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the last Business meeting held in Norman, Oklahoma. The motion carried by voice vote and the minutes approved.

TREASURER REPORT

Janet McKinney distributed copies of the MAALL Treasurer's Report which revealed a membership of 225 members and a bank balance of \$11,038.41.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF MAALL 2005 MEETING LOCATION

President Kay Andrus, on behalf of the MAALL Board, announced the location of the MAALL 2005 meeting. He informed the membership that Gary Gott and the other members of the North Dakota Law Librarian group were happy to host the 2005 meeting in Grand Forks, North Dakota. More information will be forthcoming, especially at the MAALL meeting in Des Moines in October.

MARILYN NICELY HONORED

Nickie Singleton rose to announce that her friend and colleague, Marilyn Nicely, would be retiring from the University of Oklahoma in January of 2005. In honor of her many years of service to MAALL, President Kay Andrus announced that the Board had voted unanimously to award Marilyn an Honorary membership for life to MAALL. Marilyn spoke briefly to thank everyone and accept the honorary membership.

MAALL MEETING IN DES MOINES

Karen Wallace informed the members that the local arrangements have been completed for the 2004 MAALL Meeting in Des Moines on October 14 - 16. The theme of the meeting is, "The Future is Now," and Karen promises an informative and enjoyable meeting. She described the preparations for the meeting and informed the members that a website is being developed, programs are coming together and the cooperation between MAALL and MALL (Minnesota Association of Law Libraries) was great. Karen thanked the members of the committee, including Co-Chair Sue Lerdahl, Janet McKinney, Rich Leiter and MALL members Mary Wells and Susan Catterall. She encouraged everyone to attend and mentioned highlights of Des Moines such as the Farmers' Markets in town and the wide variety of cultural and social attractions. Finally, she presented a basket of "Des Moines Goodies" to Katherine Greene of the University of Kansas, who won the prize by being in the right place at the right time in the meeting.

MAALL MARKING NEWSLETTER

President Kay Andrus informed the members that newsletter editor Steve Lambson was unable to attend the meeting but that Steve sends his regards, along with an announcement that the newsletter will be getting a new look. There are new articles planned, membership news, and other exciting features. Kay commended Steve for his hard work and commitment to the MAALL Markings during his stint as editor.

LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS HANDBOOK

The Local Arrangements Handbook is now on the MAALL website thanks to Joan Stevens and Liz Glankler, who encouraged everyone to review it and use it for planning their next event.

BYLAWS COMMITTEE

The Bylaws Committee is working on a revision to the bylaws which addresses the succession of officers under various circumstances. The proposed revisions will be available to the members at the next business meeting in Des Moines where an official vote to change the bylaws will be on the agenda.

GRANTS COMMITTEE

The Grants Committee urges everyone to apply for a grant to attend the Des Moines meeting. Applications are available on line at the MAALL website.

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

Nicky Singleton, on behalf of committee chair James Duggan and member Victoria Santana, announced the slate of officers to be voted on at the Des Moines meeting. The nominees are Brian Striman of the University of Nebraska, Lincoln, for Vice President, President Elect; and, Lorraine Lorne of the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, for Secretary.

NEW BUSINESS

After completing the items listed on the agenda, President Kay Andrus invited comments on any new business to be discussed. There being none offered, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:52 PM.