

Special Libraries Association Annual Convention
Toronto, Canada June 5th-9th
PAM Annual Business Meeting
Tuesday June 7, 2005/Toronto Convention Center

Call to Order/Welcome: Called to order at 8:03AM. Cynthia Holt welcomed members. She thanked APS, the sponsors of our business meeting breakfast.

Announcements: Our PAM publisher liaison will be attending a meeting tonight at the Overdraft, at 8:00PM. Also welcomed new SLA President Elect-elect Rebecca Vargha, who is proctoring the session. General thank you to all vendors for sponsoring all events, and the bulletin throughout the year. Thanks to all members who were supportive of Cynthia including the following members of her board: Laurel Kristick, Michael Fosmire, Melissa Hilbert, Zari Kamarei, Jennifer Harter, Sara Tompson, Madeleine Needles, Molly White, JoAnn Sears, and especially Barbara Chu for arranging the Early Bird Dinner, the hospitality suite and open house receptions, and the networking breakfast.

Secretary's Report: Sandra Kitt reported on the Annual Business Meeting minutes of June 2004 Nashville conference, that was published in the August 2004 PAM Bulletin. Motion and seconded to accept the minutes.

Treasurer's Report: Zari Kamarei gave the report on the division account and cash flow. PAM had a balance of \$38,911.97 as of June 3, 2005. However, expenses for the conference have not yet been paid.

Committee/Project Reports:

Policies and Procedure Manual (same as PAM Manual) is out and available. However, Kris Fowler was unable to attend the conference.

International Relations: Debra Bailey had to leave due to family emergency. Cynthia reported that our international award winner, Cornelius Ngang from Africa was unable to attend due to complications with getting his documents and visa. There is much more detail to consider when selecting from less developed countries. Cynthia encourages members to interact with this year's winner to keep him connected and informed. It was suggested that PAM develop a relationship with the State Department to intercede on our behalf when inviting international visitors/winners. The international panel was cancelled because another member was also unable to attend. Also mentioned that American Astronomical society has posted on their website information on dealing with visa problems.

Professional Development: Bill Armstrong was not available to give his report. But there will be discussion on how to continue with CE courses. Mentoring conference 'buddy program' is successful and will continue.

Hospitality: Barbara Chu organized the Early Bird Dinner, receptions for the two open houses sponsored by AIP and IOP, and the networking breakfast.

Bulletin: Bulletin doing well, almost totally e format, but still sending out a hard copy issue where necessary to individual members.

Membership: Jennifer Harter currently 240 members. New profile forms available to the PAM suite for changes to members' profiles.

Public Relations: Melissa Hilbert working on the new logo. Sample designs have been displayed in the suite along with comment forms for feedback. Melissa made up thank you certificate for all sponsoring vendors, which were distributed to vendors by division members.

Strategic Planning: Molly White will be sending out a request for members to respond to the survey, which will be going out in the fall. The survey is to help guide PAM into the near future with

programming and events for members. Also serves as a road map for next year's moderators for programming.

Bob Michaelson: reported on the physics translation project. Resources for the History of Physics, which published classic physics papers and papers that were compiled and translated, is no longer publishing. He has gotten permission to use this publication format as a basis for translation for literature since 1982. Expanding beyond physics to mathematics, geophysics, etc. Reported that the website should be working even better by the end of the summer.

Outgoing Board Meeting Comments: CE courses are being explored through the Professional Development Committee. Possibility that PAM may be able to use the new CLICK University program to help out with future courses. SLA has been developing a Public Relations tool kit that will help with future PR for all divisions. We need a central place to put our templates and historic documents for the division, so will be creating a space on the WEBSITE for these documents.

Governing Documents: All comments from last year were gathered and published in PAM Bulletin. We need to approve the governing documents as written. Approved by raised hand vote.

Awards: Stella Ota of the Committee (which also consisted of Parker Ladwig, and Madeleine Needles, Chair) presented the Division and Achievement Awards:

- A) PAM Division Award: Electronic Resources for Mathematics, also known as The Jahrbuch Project. Award accepted on behalf of Dr. Bernd Wegner and Dr. Keith Dennis by Terry Ehling from Cornell University Library.
- B) PAM Achievement Award: Given to Kris Fowler.
- C) PAM International Membership Award: Presented by Cynthia Holt on behalf of Committee Chair Debra Bailey. Cornelius Ngang from Cameroon Africa. Question asked as to how Cornelius was chosen. Cornelius was chosen using a specific list of criteria; i.e. must be a librarian working in one of the PAM subject fields, must be from what PAM defines as a developing country. We tried to pick from countries not previously selected; candidate must speak English, and have good written communication skills. Suggestion made to support more international memberships to SLA for those who can't attend the conference.

Presentation Election Slate: Debra Bailey named the nomination for the following positions:

Chair Elect – Joe Krauss

Secretary – Sara Tompson

Brenda moved, David seconded. Voted and accepted.

New Chair: Laurel Kristick; Laurel thanked members for their vote of confidence by electing her to serve as Chair; also thanked those who have served and who have been elected to serve next year. Would like to hear from anyone who is willing to serve on committees. The new Chair outlined a brief list of possible sessions for Baltimore next year. Thanked Cynthia for her help this past year.

Adjournment: Meeting ended at 9:07AM

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Kitt
Secretary