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Present: Theodora Aggeles, Marion Ballard, Bethia Caffery, Niela Eliason, Najwa Hahn, Betty Jean Miller, Marlene Mock, Fran Risser, Margaret Tappan, Kristina Thyrre, Joyce Van Horn. Ex officio: Kathy Arsenault, Barbara Reynolds.

President Margaret Tappan called the meeting to order at 4:00 P.M. Minutes for meeting on 11/08/01 were approved.

**President’s Report**

Margaret Tappan thanked everyone for their participation in the arrangements for the reception for Kathy Arsenault. Margaret was pleased with the results and the attendance was exceptional. She read a thank-you note from Kathy and passed it around for all to see.

**Library Director’s Report**

Library Director Kathy Arsenault discussed budget cuts. The library is losing almost 25% of its Book budget and there could be more in the future. Another $30,000 will be taken out of this quarter creating cash flow problems. Another 8% cut is expected next year. The Collections Development and Virtual Library budgets will be cut as well. We lost one position in Technical Services, and possibly one more position will be cut. However, we are in slightly better shape than Tampa. Kathy expressed her reluctance to fill the collection development position at this time. It will be a hard year.

However, there is some good news, a new reference librarian position will be filled temporarily by Tamica Slaughter, a graduate of Eckerd College and University of South Florida. On February 19, 2002, Jim Schnur will begin as the Special Collections Librarian.

The special collections consultant, whose services were made possible by a grant, provided a lot of good advice. An assessment of the environmental conditions indicated we are in excellent shape, and we have the potential to do a good job with collections. We are waiting for the final report.

Margaret asked Kathy for any suggestions for money SAPL can provide. Kathy indicated the literature project will be more significant than ever. She also suggested we consider redoing the SAPL brochure which is very outdated.
**Treasurer’s Report**
Presently there is $13,690.82 in both accounts. One of the disadvantages of having the auxiliary account is that there is a 6% overhead cost. Additionally, we have discovered that they should have been paying interest. Back interest will be credited and we will now earn interest on the account offsetting the overhead.

Discussion on redoing the SAPL brochure followed. Betty Jean Miller and Kristina Thyrre will work with Kathy to revamp the design.

Less than $130 was spent on the reception for Kathy and produced two new members.

Margaret asked that everyone begin thinking about ideas and/or a speaker for the annual meeting.

**Library Newsletter**
Lois Bryce and Kathy will take over set-up and publishing of the SAPL newsletter. Lois stated her willingness to do it and said she was looking forward to it. Teddie Aggeles made a motion that Lois will now be doing the newsletter with printing of same done by an outside provider. Neila Eliason seconded the motion.

The deadline for the newsletter is February 1, 2002. Neila Eliason reported for Marci Jacobs in her absence. The Donald Saxer article will be done by Teddie Aggeles. A volunteer to write about Kathy's reception was requested. It was decided that Kathy would include it in her column. A discussion on the possibility of an extra newsletter issue followed. Lois Bryce can be contacted at bryce@nelson.usf.edu.

**Miscellaneous Business**
The meeting was temporarily adjourned to view a movie of Pinellas County in the 1920’s donated by _________________.

The meeting resumed and Sally Poynter was appointed Chairman of the nominating committee for Officers and Board Members.

A discussion of the film just viewed took place and Kathy asked for $250 to transfer the film to a hard copy video from which videos and VHS copies could be made. Also, Charles K__________ was suggested as a possible narrator. Kristina Thyrre made a motion to fund up to $500 to reproduce the film. The motion was seconded by Joyce Van Horn. Fran Risser said she would make a donation of $250 to offset the cost of reproduction.

**Annual Meeting Report**
A date of April 26, 2002 was suggested for the annual meeting and a location should be chosen as soon as possible. The Joint Use Auditorium (JOA), the Teacher’s Center Auditorium, and Davis 130 are possibilities for the meeting. Margaret asked for volunteers for a committee for the annual meeting.
**Book Fair**
Marion Ballard will call volunteers for the Book Fair as she needs them. She will have parking passes available and will ask for volunteers around March 21, 2002 to be available the day of the sale. The Book Fair will take place on April 20, 2002.

**Fiction Contest**
Neila Eliason said we have received 25 submissions this year and they have been of good quality. Susan Brown was asked to judge this year’s contest, but could not due to a family tragedy. Herb Karl, a USF professor who teaches creative writing, has agreed to act as judge and has the manuscripts in his possession.

Teddie Aggeles has agreed to organize the fiction contest for 2002-03.

**New Business**
Sally Poynter will be notified that she will chair the nominating committee and should put together a committee of her choice.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.