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Present: Theodora Aggeles, Marion Ballard, Penny Burns, Niela Eliason, Elizabeth Haslam, David Hubbell, Marci Jacobs, Marlene Mock, Sally Poynter, Fran Risser, Margaret Tappan, Joyce Van Horn. Ex-Officio: Kathy Arsenault

President Theodora Aggeles called the meeting to order at 4:00pm in Davis 138.

President's Report: There was no report, as the committee chairmen would cover all of the information.

Treasurer’s Report: Marci Jacobs reported we have $7,437.47 in our account. There were questions about interest on this SAPL account and if the amount included the Book Fair. Barbara Reynolds will report at the next meeting on whether we have more than one account and whether we are making interest.

Library Director’s Report: Kathy Arsenault, acting director, reported there was no movement at this time to find a director due to the search for a new president for USF. There is still personnel influx in the library staff. Greg Tolley was asked to be the guest speaker at our annual meeting in the spring. He is an associate professor at the Gulf Coast University in Ft. Meyers, FL and was a student of Dr. Briggs. The Briggs Collection will be displayed at this time. We have had this collection since 1987, and it is very rare and valuable. It consists mainly of marine science material. A date of Friday, April 28th, was suggested if it was acceptable to Prof. Tolley. A motion was made to give him an honorarium of $200.00. The program for Ethics in Education will be held monthly, January through April. If you would like a flyer, please call Barbara Reynolds.

Newsletter: Margaret Tappan reported that she, Theodora Aggeles and Neila Eliason met to discuss ways to improve our newsletter and on how to increase our membership through the newsletter. One idea was to mail the newsletter and brochures to the 3300 paid members of the Alumni Association and invite them to our social events. We could also distribute the newsletter around the various departments and campuses. The last mailing cost us $129.00 for printing 300 (we only mail 150) versus the glossy editions, which cost $800.00. The question arose as to how many issues we should have each year. One issue will be devoted to the Fiction Contest; therefore, we probably need two more issues, if there is enough content.

Fiction Contest: Niela Eliason reported the next newsletter will be devoted to the fiction contest and will be out in March or April. The winning stories are on the Internet and will be published in the St. Petersburg and Tampa campus newspapers.

Book Fair: Marion Ballard reported the book fair will be Saturday, April 15th, in Davis 130 from 9 to 2pm. She needs volunteers to help sort and mark books as well as contributions of books in good, saleable condition.

New Business
1) Membership: A discussion was held on increasing membership. A membership committee will be formed and a current membership list will be compiled. A suggestion was made to add new “perks” to the members and upgrade our membership form. Barbara Reynolds is working on the member’s list. Perhaps the new library director could put together a slide show of the library that could be used to solicit new members.

2) A motion was made to provide the library with a scanner and to pay up to $500.00, as a gift from SAPL. The library does not have one and a Mac-compatible scanner would be very helpful in producing the newsletter.

3) We were asked to think about new fundraising projects.
4) A question was raised as to how many new members we acquired from having SAPL receptions. Barbara Reynolds will report back to us.

5) An idea was discussed to have USF publishers speak about their new books.

6) While SAPL members may desire access to the Web through their home computers, Kathy informed us that license restrictions limit such use to students and staff at this time. Library computers, however, provide access to everyone.

The Meeting was adjourned at 5:05pm.
Next Meeting will be at 4:00pm, Thursday, March 16, 2000.

Minutes submitted respectfully by Sally Poynter, Secretary.