

**Florida Health Sciences Library Association
Annual Business Meeting
Wednesday, April 28, 2004**

**Statewide Teleconference with these area sites: Gainesville, Jacksonville, Miami,
Tampa, and Tallahassee**

President Karen Roth called the Business Meeting to order on Wednesday, April 28, 2004 at 12:10 PM. This is the Association's first teleconference for an annual meeting in five area sites Gainesville, Jacksonville, Miami, Tampa, and Tallahassee.

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the June 6, 2003 Business Meeting held in St. Petersburg, Florida. The motion was seconded. One correction to the minutes was noted: Pauline Hicks was nominated for rather than awarded the Distinguished Librarian Award from Florida A&M. Motion was approved unanimously.

OFFICER'S REPORTS:

President:

Karen extended a warm welcome across the state. She thanked CE Coordinator Danny O'Neal for his hard work in making this five-area teleconference bridge a success. Karen also extended thanks to our three lunch sponsors: EBSCO, MD Consult, and STAT!Ref.

Treasurer:

Karen reported for our treasurer Allison Howard. As of April 15, 2004 total deposits for the fiscal year were \$14,495.36. These figures will change due to recent membership renewals and expenses related to the teleconference.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Membership:

Karen reported the results of our membership promotion drive. Sixty-one members responded to the St. Valentine's Day promotion. Beck Hutchinson from the Florida Hospital College in Orlando won the \$50 gift certificate to Barnes & Noble. As of April 28, 2004 the membership enrollment has increased to 86.

Listserv Coordinator:

This year the FHSLA online discussion list server was transferred from the University of Florida to the Tampa Bay Library Consortium (TBLC). If you are experiencing any difficulties, please email John Orriola.

Strategic Planning:

Cheryl Dee from the University of South Florida announced that the National Network of Libraries of Medicine (NN/LM) is forming State Planning Teams. These teams are to write a proposal stating outreach needs of their state. Janice Kelly from NN/LM would

like FHSLA to take the lead in developing this proposal. Cheryl felt it was necessary to include the four academic libraries as supporters. The three library directors in attendance (Beverly Shattuck, University of South Florida; Faith Meakin, University of Florida; and Barbara Shearer, Florida State University) all agreed to lend support. Susie Burrows, Vice Chair and Director of Regional Programs, also indicated that the University of Miami would be involved in writing this proposal. Pam Neumann, Pam Sherwill-Navarro and Nita Ferree from the University of Florida also expressed interest in helping develop the proposal. A motion was made that the Association would support the State Planning Teams. Karen Roth, President, called for a vote and the motion carried.

The annual meeting rotations for the following years are as follows: Gainesville/Jacksonville (UF) in 2005, Tallahassee (FSU) in 2006, Miami (NSU) in 2007, and Tampa (USF) in 2008.

ALERT Co-Editor:

The Fall/Winter 2003/2004 issue was sent out in November. A Spring/Summer issue will be out in July. Information for this issue can be sent to John Orriola or Beverly Shattuck at University of South Florida.

Acceptance of Committee Reports

Karen Roth asked for a motion to accept the committee reports. Diane Rourke from Baptist Hospital in Miami made the motion. The motion was seconded and carried, all in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

Joint Meetings

The Strategic Planning Committee investigated the possibility of a joint meeting with the Special Library Association (SLA)'s Florida & Caribbean Chapter. At this time there was no interest in a joint meeting but there was interest in joint continuing education courses.

Updating Committee Member Roster

Karen reported that a new roster for the 2004-2005 officers and committee chairs/members would be posted on the FHSLA web site. If you are interested in any committee membership, please contact the appropriate representative.

NEW BUSINESS

Site for 2005 Annual Meeting

Faith Meakin, director of the University of Florida Health Science Center Libraries in Gainesville announced that the 2005 Annual Meeting will be held in Jacksonville. Pam Neumann, director of the Borland Library, University of Florida indicated Jacksonville's excitement over this meeting. The meeting will be held in March or April, just months

after Jacksonville hosts the Super Bowl. Details will be posted in upcoming issues of the ALERT as well as on the discussion list.

Librarian of the Year Award

Nadine Dexter from Florida State University announced the first recipient of the FHSLA Librarian of the Year: Janet Schneider of James A. Haley Veterans' Hospital in Tampa. Karen Roth in Tampa gave a plaque for recognition to Janet. The plaque, designed to hold the names of twenty recipients, will be held for a year by each year's winner.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

Nominating:

The nominating committee had two positions to fill. Allison Howard from the University of South Florida agreed to carry a second term as Treasurer. Sandra Canham from the University of Florida has been nominated for Vice President/Program Chair.

Pam Neumann indicated that the Bylaws state that "a vacancy in office other than that of President shall be filled by presidential appointment." Rana Dole announced that Mary Lawrence from Nova Southeastern University will fill Sandra's remaining year as Secretary.

Karen Roth, President, called for a vote on the nominations. There was no discussion on the floor and motion carried, all in favor.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Karen Roth thanked everyone from the executive committee to committee members on a year well served. She has certificates of service recognition that will be mailed out in the coming week. Karen also thanked Danny O'Neal again for his help in making this statewide teleconference meeting a success.

Karen then turned over the meeting to new President Rana Dole, who thanked Karen for her work as President for the 2003/2004 year. Rana then adjourned the meeting at 12:45 p.m.