

# SOCIETY OF ALABAMA ARCHIVISTS

## BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES, OCTOBER 26, 2007

The annual fall meeting of the Society of Alabama Archivists was held at Troy University Dothan on October 26, 2007. The meeting was called to order by President Laura Caldwell Anderson at 2:35 pm.

- I. **2006 Business Meeting Minutes:**  
The minutes from the 2006 fall meeting were approved as distributed.
- II. **President's Report:**  
Laura Anderson welcomed everyone and stated that all updates would be addressed in the following reports.
- III. **The Treasurer's Report:**  
Cynthia Luckie presented the 2006-2007 SALA financial report.

### TREASURER'S REPORT - 26 OCTOBER 2007

<b>Checking account balance as of 10/11/2006</b>		\$4,063.25
<b>Income</b>		
2006 Meeting Registrations (late)	\$400.00	
Membership Dues	\$725.00	
Paypal verification deposits	\$0.14	
2007 Meeting Registrations	\$525.00	
<b>Subtotal</b>		\$1,650.14
<b>Expenditures</b>		
Website hosting fee	-\$71.40	
University of Alabama Press for printing poster	-\$318.10	
<b>Subtotal</b>		-\$389.50
<b>Checking account balance as of 10/25/2007</b>		\$5,323.89
<b>Wachovia CD (renewal maturity date: 2/12/2007)</b>		
Current balance		\$1,640.69
<b>Total assets</b>		\$6,964.58

**IV. Membership Committee Report:**

Jennifer Beck gave the Membership Committee Report. The committee was made up of six members: Jennifer (chair), Laura Anderson, Tim Pennycuff, Dusty Folds, Valerie Burnes and Coll'ette King. The committee was divided into groups of two and each group was assigned a region of the state (north, central and south). The groups identified over 170 potential members. A letter of invitation was written by Laura was sent to those individuals and institutions identified by the committee. As of October 24, 2007, Cynthia has received 10 new memberships. We expect to see more new memberships in the future weeks.

The full Membership Committee Report can be found on the SALA website.

**V. Web Committee Report:**

Jason Kneip gave the Web Committee Report. The committee, which was organized during the 2006 meeting, discussed options for hosting the website, costs of web hosting and website design. The committee identified a web hosting service and the website was moved from the Auburn University servers. The new website (<http://www.alarchivists.org>) allows SALA more freedom to improve security, create blogs and forums, provide online payment options to the members and host our own listserv. The SALA listserv is still hosted on the Auburn servers at this time. The committee also discussed and implemented design changes to the SALA website.

Laura asked if SALA should make the committee a standing committee. The idea was unanimously approved by the members.

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**VI. State Historical Records Advisory Board (SHRAB) Representative's Report:**

Lyn Frazer was not present to give a SHRAB report.

**VII. Southern Archives Conference (SAC) 2008 Meeting:**

Cynthia Luckie gave an update on the 2008 SAC meeting. The meeting will be March 26-28 in Nashville, Tennessee. SALA is responsible for the program for this year. The theme is "Beyond the Box: Innovation in the Archives." A message has been sent out asking for paper proposals.

**VIII. Plans for SALA 2008 and 2009 meetings:**

Laura Anderson began the discussion of the future locations of the meeting, especially for 2008. She asked whether we want to re-establish the Time and Place Committee to identify new host past 2009. Marty Olliff confirmed that the idea of the committee was that it would be re-established periodically to discuss new host. Donnelly L. Walton volunteered to chair the committee.

Jennifer Beck then explained the situation as it stands now – SALA has met in southern locations since the Huntsville meeting in 2003. The idea, as it was proposed in Huntsville, was that the meeting would rotate between three regions of the state (north, central, south) with Birmingham and Montgomery representing the central region. The last four meetings have been no further north than Birmingham and the future meetings of 2008 and 2009 are currently scheduled for Montgomery and Auburn (respectively). To allow for a northern location for the 2008 meeting, the Montgomery members are okay with postponing their rotation. Auburn will remain the host for the 2009 meeting. The 2008 meeting location will be identified by the Executive Board.

**IX. New Business:**

A few new business items were brought to the floor at this time.

**Google Checkout:** Cynthia Luckie suggested Google Checkout as a less expensive option compared to PayPal. This would allow SALA to offer members a way to pay membership dues and meeting registration fees online. It was decided to hand this issue over to the Web Committee for consideration.

**NAGARA Meeting:** Steve Wheat announced that 2008 NAGARA meeting will be in Atlanta, Georgia on July 22-26. If members are interested NAGARA is accepting program proposals for the meeting.

**X. Election of Officers:**

The report of the Nominations Committee was presented to the members by Laura Caldwell Anderson. Additional nominations and discussion were solicited following the report. The 2007 Nominations Committee consisted of Laura Caldwell Anderson, Tracey Berezansky (chair) and Clark Center. The committee recommended the following people to serve as officers:

**Officers:**

President:	Jessica Lacher-Feldman, University of Alabama
Vice President:	Jennifer Beck, University of Alabama at Birmingham
Secretary:	Kelsey Bates, Birmingham Public Library
Treasurer:	Cynthia Luckie, Alabama Dept. of Archives and History

**Executive Committee:**

There were no Executive Committee vacancies this year.

A vote was taken and all nominations were unanimously elected.

**IX. The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 pm.**

Respectfully submitted by  
Jennifer L. Beck, Secretary