

Minutes of the Sirsi Midwest User's Group Annual Membership Meeting
July 23, 2004 at College of St. Mary's, Omaha, NE

Opening. Tom Boyle, chair, calls the meeting to order.

Steering Committee. Tom introduces the members of the Steering Committee. They are as follows: Barbara Cornelius, treasurer, Sheryl Taylor, secretary, Daria Bossman, program co-chair, and Corinne Jacox, program co-chair. Tom also explains that Sara Martin, who had been serving as chair of the organization resigned in March when she moved to Detroit, Michigan to accept a job offer and that he (Tom) stepped into the role of chair, from vice-chair/chair-elect, at that time.

Minutes. The motion to approve the July 18, 2003 annual membership meeting minutes is supported and carried.

Treasurer's Report. Barbara Cornelius, treasurer, presents a report of SMUG funds. Total cash on hand, as of the March bank statement (and prior to 2003 conference expenses being deducted), is \$6696.24. The estimated income from this year's conference is \$6,130 with estimated expenses being \$6,030. A complete financial report will be mailed out in September with the annual membership renewal letter.

Program Chairs Report. The program co-chairs report on conference attendance.

Pre-conference workshops = 40 attendees (up from 34 the previous year)
Conference = 108 attendees (up from 98 the previous year)

Membership Update. The program co-chairs also report that there are 43 institutional members of SMUG (up from 36 the previous year).

Membership Fee. Tom solicits feedback from the membership regarding changing the membership fee structure. The current structure is \$75 per institution and one free conference registration. As SMUG is now more financial sound than when started four years ago, the officers propose lowering the annual institutional membership fee to \$50 and removing the free conference registration (which simplifies the registration process for the program committee). The officers will take the comments made under advisement.

Revision of By-laws. Tom summarizes the proposed revisions to the by-laws (a copy which he had mailed to each institution in June):

- 1) more clearly defines the position of the past-chair
- 2) makes the duties of the officers consistent with each other
- 3) loosens up the voting procedure

The motion to approve the revisions is supported and carried.

A revised copy of the by-laws will be sent out with the September membership renewal letter and will also be posted on the SMUG website (<http://www.SirsiMidwestUsersGroup.org>).

Elections. The offices of vice-chair/chair-elect and treasurer are open. As no names were put forth by the membership following the call for nominations that Tom Boyle sent out in June, the steering committee presents the slate of Barbara Cornelius for re-election as treasurer and Buz

Wehrman for election as Vice-Chair/Chair Elect. There are no nominations from the floor. By voice vote, Barbara is re-elected and Buz is elected.

Future Conference. Tom solicits feedback from the membership regarding next year's conference (location, topics, volunteers).

Unfinished Business. The minutes from the July 20, 2001 annual membership meeting that had been reported missing in the 2002 minutes and then report found in 2003 are missing again. If found again, they will be approved at next year's meeting.

Announcements.

- Tom Boyle is presented with a gift certificate by the steering committee on behalf of the membership for his leadership during the past year.
- Tom recognizes the new member institutions:
 - Central Community College (NE)
 - Heartland Regional Library (MO)
 - Mid-Continent Public Library (MO)
 - Rochester Public Library (MN)
 - John Burroughs School (MO)
- Drawings are held for door prizes

Adjournment. Tom Boyle adjourns the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheryl Taylor, secretary