

SAIR Business Meeting
Fort Lauderdale, FL
Friday October 12, 1990

The meeting was called to order at 8:45 a.m. by President Mary Sapp. President Sapp asked for approval of the previous SAIR business meeting minutes and SAIR AIR SIG meeting minutes from AIR. The minutes were accepted by the membership as written.

Secretary Kayla gave a secretary's report announcing the renewal drive brought the number of members to almost 400.

Treasurer Fendley reported that the Financial Statements were in the registration packets. He mentioned that the SAIR Board approved a gift of \$1,000 to the Institute on Desegregation's first journal publication. Treasurer Fendley announced the SAIR treasury balance, before Fort Lauderdale costs, was \$43,000 which includes two CD's. We are in good shape even though we may have to subsidize the cost of the Fort Lauderdale Conference.

Past-President Sanford gave a report on the Nominating Committee. He recognized the committee members and said they put together a very strong ballot that produced a close voting race. The election response rate by the membership was 53%. The results of the election were announced as follows:

Vice-President/President Elect - Tom Bohannon
Secretary - Marilyn Brown
Member-at-Large - Bobby Sharp
Nominating Committee - Kathleen Bissonnette
Larry Gracie
Susan Griffith
Jó Anne Lowe
Robert Ussery

Member-at-Large Ruddock reported on the two new awards - the Outstanding Service Award and the Special Recognition Award which will be awarded at the luncheon today along with the Best Paper Award. She announced that we sent two members to the AIR Conference in Louisville through the AIR Challenge Grant and that two graduate students were supported for this SAIR conference by the AIR Support Grant. Member-at-Large Ruddock asked that those interested in submitting papers for the Best Paper Award at Fort Lauderdale to please drop off at least one copy of their paper in the box on the registration desk or send five copies to Bobby Sharp.

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President Sapp then moved on to the discussion of the revision of the By-Laws and the Articles of Incorporation. These were mailed out earlier and also copies were handed out this morning. She offered to go over the document line by line if necessary but stated we have continued to keep the membership informed of the proposed changes and reasons for the changes. The primary impetus for the changes was to obtain tax exempt status of the SAIR organization. She noted that our taxes amount to almost 10% of our conference budget that could be saved by the reclassification of the organization to non-profit tax exempt.

Past-President Sanford asked if there were any questions regarding the Articles of Incorporation. Since there were no questions, Past-President Sanford moved that the articles be passed by the membership. Marsha Moss seconded the motion. The motion was passed by membership.

Past-President Sanford then discussed the three major changes incorporated into the new By-Laws. The Board will be expanded by two new members-at-large. The second change is the addition of the new committees. The intent is that the member-at-large positions will chair each committee. The final major change is the addition of membership categories - Distinguished, Emeritus, Graduate Students and Regular members. Past-President Sanford then mentioned the two terminology changes sent in by the membership. On page one section two of the By-Laws it should read graduate "student" membership. On page six section three the word "shall" should be added. There being no further questions or suggestions, Past-President Sanford moved that the By-Laws be passed. Mary Percival seconded the motion and the new By-Laws were passed by the membership.

President Sapp acknowledged the committees and especially Bob Kuhn, Joe Marks and Tim Sanford for their work on this task. Applause for the completion of this major organizational task was then issued by the membership.

President Sapp reported in the absence of Joe Marks that he is continuing to work on the tax exempt status and it can now go forward with the passing of the new Articles and By-Laws.

Vice-President Rogers announced that we will go West for the 1991 Conference as we will be in Oklahoma City. We have no future sites approved for the 1992 conference and we are looking for site invitations. A Site Selection Committee has been formed. The current members are: Tom Bohannon, Don Daley, Karen Gentemann and Joe Szutz.

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The Oklahoma local arrangements Chairs - Murriel Gilliam and Teresa Smith then made a slide show presentation of the Oklahoma site for next year. Teresa passed out "OK" buttons. An event is planned for the Cowboy Hall of Fame. The dates for the meeting will be October 8-12th. The rates at the Oklahoma City Downtown Sheraton will be \$59 & 69. The hotel is being refurbished and it is under new management. This conference will be held cooperatively with MIDAIR. The 40 member Oklahoma AIR group will be helping with local arrangements. President Sapp complimented Murriel and Teresa.

Larry Jones reported on his committee's study of Professional Certification. Larry said the full report of his committee was given at AIR in Louisville. The major recommendations of the committee were that SAIR should develop a Professional Development Program with or without AIR support and we should continue to study the merits, size and shape of such a program.

President Sapp recognized the service of Gerry Perkus as the SAIR Newsletter Editor for the past three years. Gerry is moving on to the Publications Committee. Bruce Mallette and Mike Rulison from North Carolina State University agreed to become co-editors of the newsletter. The deadline for the next newsletter is December 1st. Their Bitnet is N282265@NCSUADM.

President Sapp then called for other SAIR business or announcements.

Gerry McLaughlin talked about the AIR nominating process. The national organization needs regional support and is always looking for experienced people. The AIR ballot will include the following people:

Vice-President - Ed Delaney
Jim Nichols

Associate Forum Chair - Bill Fendley
Jean Budig

Gerry asked SAIR members to join AIR and vote and be active in both the national and regional organizations.

Mantha Mehallis thanked the memberships for coming to Fort Lauderdale and talked about the two prizes to be awarded at the luncheon. One is dinner for two at a restaurant in Fort Lauderdale and the other is a weekend for two at the Marriott.

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Denny Hengstler invited us all to San Francisco for AIR, May 26-29th, 1991. The conference will be held at the Saint Francis Hotel. The banquet is planned for China Town. Possible speakers include the Minister of Education of Japan, Secretary of Education Cavazos, Tom Hayden and more. Ed Delaney mentioned this will be Jean Chulak's last AIR conference. They have negotiated 40% off the standard airfare. Ed Smith indicated a concern for getting any airline special rates (super savers, etc.) because the conference will be held over Memorial Day weekend and airlines usually have no special rates for that weekend.

Larry Jones who is local arrangements host for the 1992 AIR Conference invited us all to Atlanta for the conference. It will be held at the Atlanta Hilton.

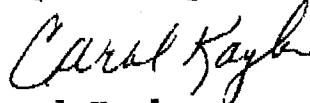
Brian Daly then made the suggestion that SAIR take a proactive stance toward research in the South and that we sponsor a competitive research project. President Sapp asked that he forward his suggestion to Vice-President Rogers for further consideration.

President Sapp then called for state news from the floor. Reports were made by representatives from North Carolina, Alabama, Virginia, Kentucky, Texas, Mississippi, Florida and South Carolina. Mike Rulison asked that members send all their state news to him for the newsletter.

President Sapp then recognized Tim Sanford as Past-President for all his work for SAIR over the past years and presented him with a plaque of SAIR appreciation. President Sapp recognized Carol Kayla as out-going Secretary and presented her with a plaque of SAIR appreciation.

The 1990-91 SAIR officers were announced and called forward for installation. The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Carol Kayla
SAIR Secretary