

October 15, 1996  
9:00 a.m.  
Mobile, Alabama

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The meeting was called to order by President **Deborah B. Dailey**.

### 1. Minutes of the 1995 Business Meeting

The minutes of the Business Meeting, October 24, 1995, Roanoke, Virginia, were presented by Secretary **Harriott Calhoun** and approved as written. The motion was made by **Mike Schexnayder** and seconded by **Gerald Lunney**.

### 2. Officer Reports

Program Chair **David Fleming** thanked everyone for coming to the 1996 conference and expressed special appreciation to **Al Yeager** of the University of South Alabama for chairing the local arrangements committee and to **Kaye Lawson** of Clemson University for both preparation for and on-site assistance at the conference. The membership expressed appreciation to Dave for his work as program chair by enthusiastic applause.

Treasurer **Robert Kuhn** distributed and discussed the 3rd Quarter Financial Statement. He thanked **Sandy Walker, Bernie Braun, Mike Schexnayder, and Lesa Jeansonne** of Louisiana State University for their support and assistance to him as SAIR Treasurer.

Past-President **Karen Gentemann** was unable to attend the conference due to illness. In her absence, Myrtes Green presented the Nominating Committee Report. Members who served with Chair Karen Gentemann on the 1996 Nominating Committee were **Ansley Abraham, Kathleen Bissonnette, Myrtes Dunn Green, John Hemmeter, and Theresa Smith**. The SAIR membership is, of course, saddened by the untimely death of our friend and colleague John Hemmeter.

The following people, elected by the membership, were congratulated and called to the front to be presented to the group.

Vice-President/President-Elect	<b>John M. Kalb</b>
Secretary	<b>Deborah L. Barshafsky</b>
Members-at-Large	<b>Gerald A. Dizinno Roy D. Ikenberry</b>
Nominating Committee	<b>Marsha Conston Patricia Dewitt Marsha Harrington Sam Lowther Bobby Sharp</b>

### 3. Committee Reports

Awards Chair **John Kalb** reminded members that they may make nominations at any time but particularly when the call for nominations appears in the newsletter. Awards to be presented this year will be announced at the Awards Luncheon.

The paper chosen for the SAIR Best Paper Award will represent SAIR at the AIR Forum in a session designated as a "Best Presentation from a State/Regional Conference."

On behalf of Member-at-Large **Hannelore Delbridge**, Debbie Dailey announced that SAIR membership brochures are available in multiples for state group meetings. The 1995 Annual Report has been mailed and should have been received by the membership within the last few days; and, *SAIR Essentials* will be completed by the end of the year.

**Ann Tomlinson**, Chair of the Travel Grant Committee, announced that 8 grants were awarded for assistance in attending the 1996 SAIR Conference. Each award consisted of \$250 plus waiver of the conference registration fee. She reminded members that awards are made for each conference and encouraged members to watch for the application form in the mail and to apply for the grants.

Professional Development Chair **Mary Korfhage** reported that 11 workshops were offered with 170 people pre-registered for them. She thanked the Workshop Evaluation Committee which included **Deborah Barshafsky**, **Laura Massey**, and **Greg Epps**.

### 4. Future Conference Sites

**Doris Wright**, Local Arrangements Chair, announced plans for the 1997 conference in Hot Springs, Arkansas, October 11-14, 1997. The 45 minute ride from the airport to the hotel is a pleasant and scenic shuttle ride. The web site will be continually updated and will include specific transportation arrangements. The Special Event will be great, although it will not be on a battleship. October Fest will be ending on Saturday, October 11, so everyone is encouraged to come early to enjoy the festivities.

**Pat Dewitt**, reported from the site visit that she, **Deb Barshafsky**, and **Mike Moore** made to Savannah, which is the site for the 1998 conference. Savannah is among America's top 10 "walking cities" and is characterized by its historic homes and garden squares. Places to shop and dine are easily accessed by walking or riding the trolley. The conference hotel is centrally located and is only 10 miles from the airport.

Debbie Dailey mentioned sites that are under consideration for future years, including "somewhere in Texas" for 1999, and Charlotte in 2000.

### 5. SAIR/IHE Agreement

The agreement has been continued and **Larry Jones**, SAIR/IHE Liaison, expressed pleasure with the opportunity for IHE to work with SAIR. The SAIR Mail list will be updated from the registration materials. Contact [sair@uga.cc.uga.edu](mailto:sair@uga.cc.uga.edu) if you have changes in your directory information.

## 6. Bylaws Revision

Changes in the bylaws of the Association regarding the duties of the Secretary and the Treasurer were proposed by the SAIR Board and communicated by mail to the membership on August 27, 1996. After copies were distributed to those present, the motion to approve the revisions was made by **Gerald Lunney**, seconded by **Roy Ikenberry**, and unanimously approved.

## 7. Other Business and Announcements

**Gerald McLaughlin** encouraged SAIR members to vote in the AIR elections.

**Tim Sanford** announced that the 37th Annual AIR Forum will be held at Disney's Contemporary Hotel, Orlando, Florida, May 18-21, 1997. **Gerald Lunney**, AIR Newcomers Chair, asked for volunteers to serve as state coordinators.

**Sam Lowther**, SAIR Conference Evaluation Committee Chair, encouraged people to turn in their evaluation forms.

**Judy Rogers** asked people to sign a get-well card for **Kimberly Thoma** who had an appendectomy at a local hospital after having left the conference to go to the emergency room.

**John Kalb**, 1997 Program Chair, asked for volunteers to assist with next year's conference.

**Debbie Dailey** announced that she would be an "official dinosaur" upon adjournment of the business meeting, whereupon she adjourned the meeting at 9:50 a.m. A video on Hot Springs was shown following the meeting.

**Harriott D. Calhoun**, Secretary