

Friends of the Stewart Library
Board of Directors Meeting
November 8, 2005, 2:15 p.m.
Special Collections

Presiding: Dian Wismer

Welcome: Dian Wismer welcomed board members and commented on the enjoyable storytelling of Donald Davis, prior to the meeting. Present: Rebecca Ory Hernandez, Jodee Hoellein, Joan Hubbard, Ruby Licon, Jean Andra Miller, John Sillito, Linda Sillitoe, Bonnie Wahlen, and Jean Anne Waterstradt. Anneliese Konkol, Priti Kumar, Betty Stewart Moore, Jelean Montgomery, Carl Porter, Theron Stock, and Janis Vause were excused

Minutes: Jean Andra Miller moved approval of the October minutes; the motion was seconded by John Sillito and passed.

Mission Statement: Joan Hubbard suggested changing the Friends mission statement by deleting the language, "expand volunteers' service to the library." Bonnie Wahlen moved that the Board accept this change, seconded by Rebecca Ory Hernandez. The motion passed. Joan then explained the need to develop specific goals and objectives each year; she noted that gaining new financial support for library resources is particularly important since the cost of resources has risen while legislative support has not kept pace with the costs.

After some discussion the board reached consensus that this year's goal would be increasing Friends membership by 25 percent, with each board member recruiting at least five new members (or member couples). The board also decided that a Directory of Members should be added to the Friends web page so that board members may use a password to see who is already a part of the organization. Joan said that while gifts-in-kind are very much appreciated, the board should focus on increasing the number of dues-paying members, now at about 180. The number of payroll deductions is also down and so the renewal letter will also go to faculty and professional staff. Since it is necessary to reprint the membership brochure, the board decided to look at a draft at December's meeting.

The second goal is seeking new funds to support annual events since dues preferably are used for library resources. Separate funding is needed for the public issues forum and co-sponsoring the Storytelling Festival and the National Undergraduate Literature Conference. Celebrate Shakespeare! is funded through an endowment from Jean Anne Waterstradt.

Events: John Sillito announced a reading by Amy Tan on Thursday, sponsored by the Ogden School Foundation. The Utah Shakespearean Touring Group is slated to perform *MacBeth* at the Ogden High School on April 7, 2006.

Holiday card: Linda Sillitoe displayed the holiday card that will be sent to members from the board this year. Next year's card will include a photograph of the remodeled library.

Other: Joan Hubbard announced the major remodeling of the Student Union Building and the temporary relocation of several offices to the library's lower level. This will mean renovating some areas.

The board decided to meet on December 6 at 2 p.m. in Special Collections. John Sillito moved that the meeting adjourn. Ruby Licon seconded the motion, which passed. The meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m.