

**Friends of the Stewart Library Board of Directors**  
**Minutes of Board Meeting, October 18, 2005**  
**Special Collections Reading Room**

**Presiding:** Dian Wismer

**Welcome:** Dian Wismer thanked Joan Hubbard for providing lunch, and welcomed the board members. She especially noted our new Development representative, Rebecca Ory Hernandez, and the Friends' Vice Chair Ruby Licona, who has returned to the library as Special Projects Librarian. Dian presented former chair Jodee Hoellein with a gift and a card, and the Board thanked Jodee warmly for her excellent leadership during the 2004-05 academic year.

**Present:** Rebecca Ory Hernandez, Jodee Hoellein, Joan Hubbard, Ruby Licona, Jean Andra Miller, Betty Stewart Moore, Maria Parrilla de Kokal, Carl J. Porter, John Sillito, Linda Sillitoe, Theron P. Stock, Janis B. Vause, Bonnie Wahlen, and Jean Anne Waterstradt.

**Excused:** Anneliese Konkol, Priti Kumar, and Jelean Montgomery.

**Minutes:** John Sillito moved that the April minutes be approved; Janis Vause seconded the motion, which passed.

**Mission Statement:** Joan Hubbard distributed copies of the Friends' mission statement and suggested that Board Members consider what actions should be added in order to meet the following goals: providing financial support; expanding volunteer services; and sponsoring special events. If any of these items is not applicable, Joan said, it should be deleted so the Board can focus on relevant goals. She offered to have the library Administration Office draft a tentative action plan to send Board Members along with the November agenda and the October minutes. A discussion ensued with a consensus that the plan must be rewarding both to the library and to those carrying it out.

**Membership:** Linda Sillitoe reported that a letter inviting lapsed members to renew and potential members to join was sent several months ago; those who responded received a copy of *Inside the Hoover Dam Scrapbooks* along with a thank you note. During November, a renewal letter will be sent to Friends whose memberships will lapse. Also, since it has been several years since the library has solicited faculty or professional staff, a separate letter will be sent to those who are not current members. The membership brochure will be reprinted with photographs of the remodeled entry. Board members then may take brochures to their reading groups, literary societies, etc.

**Past and Upcoming Events:** John Sillito reported that over 70 people attended the public issues

forum preceding the Board meeting. The topic was “Whose Views Shape Our News?” Professor Allison Barlow Hess led a discussion with panelists Andy Howell, managing editor of the *Standard-Examiner*; Jesus Lopez, Jr., editor and staff writer for *El Estandar*; and Vanessa Cornejo, public relations coordinator for *El Ogdentino*.

John noted that the Utah Construction/Utah International Symposium, held on October 5-6, also was well attended. Both major Salt Lake newspapers, KUER-Radio, and the *Standard-Examiner* publicized the symposium. Historian Douglas Brinkley spoke at a reception the evening of October 5 in the Ethel Wattis Kimball Visual Arts Center. The next morning, more than 100 students joined patrons and descendants of the company’s founders to hear Dr. Robert Berlin lecture on the symposium theme, “Building America’s Defense: 1939-1975.” A photographic exhibit and a keepsake book also illustrated this theme. Dr. Bill Allison moderated a panel discussing the topic, “World War II and the Cold War: America Comes of Age.” Panelists were Susan Matt, Gene Sessions, Robert Berlin, and Charles Snow.

A smaller photographic exhibit, “Prisoners of War in Ogden: 1943-44,” aroused so much public interest that the exhibit will be expanded and re-opened on January 12, 2006, at an open house to display the library remodeling. Joan Hubbard said the open house will also feature music and a speaker.

The 10<sup>th</sup> annual Storytelling Festival will be November 7-9, with acclaimed storyteller Daniel Davis performing in Special Collections on November 8, at 1 p.m. Janis Vause announced that the Ogden School Foundation has sold 900 seats for a lecture by author Amy Tan, on November 10, in the Eccles Conference Center. Also, on April 7, 2006, at 7:30 p.m., the Utah Shakespearean Touring Group will perform *MacBeth* in the Ogden High School auditorium, as part of next year’s Celebrate Shakespeare! festival.

Other: Joan Hubbard offered to take Board Members on a tour of the remodeled areas of the library. The next meeting was set for November 8, at 2:15, following the storyteller’s performance. John Sillito moved that the meeting adjourn, seconded by Janis Vause. The meeting adjourned at 1 p.m.