

Southern Baptist Library Association

Minutes, May 26, 2004

Naomi Taplin called the meeting to order following a devotional by Craig Kubic. Minutes of the 2003 meeting were approved as they had appeared on the website.

The Nominating Committee presented its slate of officers to the membership. The proposed slate included the following:

President	Eldonna DeWeese (Southwest Baptist University)
VP/President elect	Bill Sumners (SBHLA)
Recording Secretary	Mary Fox (Dallas Baptist University)
Executive Secretary-Treasurer	Craig Kubic (Midwestern BTS)
Program Committee	Bill Sumners, Chair Elizabeth Wells, Local Arrangements Chair Alan Lefever (Texas Baptist Hist. Collection)
Membership Committee	Cathey Adams (Okla. Baptist University), Chair Mary Fox, (Dallas Baptist University) Rec. Sec. Craig Kubic Richard Cheek (Oklahoma Baptist University)
Nominating Committee	Naomi Taplin (BGCT) Past President Cathy Adams, Membership Chair
Audit Committee	Ed Walton (Southwest Baptist University)
Local Arrangements	Elizabeth Wells (Samford University)

The report of the Nominating Committee was adopted.

The Audit Committee gave its report that the finances of the Association had been reviewed and approved.

Craig Kubic gave the financial report and distributed copies of the balance sheet for the Association. He reported an ending balance as of May 24, 2004 to be \$9932.30. Craig also talked about the updated membership directory. He presented the expense budget for 2004-2005. The expense budget totaling \$2500 was approved.

In old business, Bill Sumners reported that the digital project related to early Foreign Mission Board periodicals was not possible at this time due to problems with the IMB's computer software and hardware.

Naomi Taplin brought up the matter of an ad hoc committee to review the SBLA purpose and mission comprised of the Administrative Committee and three or four other members. Craig Kubic also shared concerns about the future of the Association and the purpose of the organization. Alan Lefever also mentioned that he felt the organization was at a crossroads in its development. Elizabeth Wells talked about the original purpose of the association. Nitsa Hindeleh voiced her support for the organization. Naomi closed with an appeal for the committee to do their work. Ed Walton mentioned the idea of a scholarship to attend the Association's meeting. Eldonna DeWeese [**shared a greeting from Irvin Murrell, who was unable to attend this year's meeting.**] read a letter from Irwin Murrell.

The Association voted to meet in Birmingham, Alabama for the 2005 meeting at Samford University Library.

Naomi expressed her appreciation to Eldonna DeWeese and Alan Lefever. The meeting was adjourned.

At the [**After the last program**] evening dinner the Association was called back into session. The ad hoc committee to evaluate the vision and purpose of SBLA was appointed by the President and included the following members, [**including herself, as immediate past president.**]

Eldonna DeWeese
Cathy Adams
Bill Sumners
Craig Kubic
Mary Fox

Kenette Harder
Elizabeth Wells
Ellen Brown
Alan Lefever
Richard Cheek

Naomi then passed the gavel to incoming President Eldonna DeWeese and the business session was concluded.