

Minutes
South Central Writing Centers Association
April 4, 2009
Room 111, F.W. Olin Building
Southwestern University
Georgetown, Texas

President Dagmar Scharold called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. The minutes from the 2008 meeting were read and approved, and the Treasurer's Report was read and approved.

Chloe Diepenbrock reported that the scholarship committee would like to award scholarships for the 2010 SCWCA conference and the 2010 Summer Institute to two people—a new writing center professional, and a writing center professional who has never attended. The scholarships would cover the registration fees and need to be awarded before the registration deadlines. Diepenbrock also suggested that for the 2010 SCWCA conference the board fund first time attendees. All agreed that Diepenbrock and the state representatives need to work on clear criteria for the scholarships.

Diane Downey suggested that the board send letters to writing center professionals within the region whose have never attended the SCWCA conferences, inviting them to apply for scholarships to attend. Allison Holland related that the state representatives are supposed to get a list of all writing center professionals, and Diepenbrock said that she and Valerie Balester have a list of Texas writing center professionals, and that the Secretary needs to compile this list.

The Technology Committee reported that there is \$3000 available for upgrading the SCWCA's website. Katie Hart, the Business Assistant at UH-Clear Lake, was introduced as the designer for the new website. Scharold related the desire for better graphics, more links, and updated information. After some discussion, Scharold appointed Diepenbrock, Holland, and Carolyn Kinslow as the Website Committee to filter suggestions and ideas from the Executive Board to Hart regarding content and design.

Holland said that Arkansas is taking over the Writing Center Research Project from Louisville.

This year's conference had approximately 135 participants and a final conference report is pending.

Scharold then said there were a slate of new officers to elect to the Executive Board. The proposed slate was announced as:

Carolyn Kinslow, President

Valerie Balester, Vice President

Allison Holland, Treasurer

Diana Wolfe, Secretary

Kevin Davis, state representative from Oklahoma

Delma Porter, state representative from Louisiana

Martha Cooley, state representative from Arkansas

Chloe Diepenbrock and Frances Crawford Fennessy, state representatives from Texas

There was a call for nominations from the floor, which went unanswered three times, and then a move to accept the slate. The motion was seconded and passed.

Jim McDonald announced that a peer tutor conference will be hosted in New Orleans and that

two regionals have put forward proposals to host the IWCA conference in Baltimore.

Diepenbrock commended Scharold on her service to the board as president, and Scharold in turn thanked Elisabeth Piedmont-Marton and Cole Bennett for hosting such a successful conference.

Delma Porter of McNeese State University in Lake Charles, Louisiana will host the 2010 SCWCA Conference. Dates are forthcoming.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:00 am.

Diana Wolfe
Secretary