

MEETING MINUTES

APLIC-I Business Meeting Westin Bonaventure Hotel Los Angeles, CA

March 22, 2000

Members in attendance: Peggy D'Adamo, Samantha Wheeler Marrs, Zuali Malsawma, Sylvia Texidor, Gretl Cox, Sheila Proudman, Anne Ilacqua, Francois Meunier, Eleanor Gossen, John Carlson, Carol Knopf, Christopher Cahill, Margie Doggett, Diane Rubino, Judy Dye, Julia Cleaver, Kay Willson, Wendy Brand, Theresa Frydryk, Anil Kumar, Maryann Belanger, Diane Fisher

1. Call to order and announcements

President Peggy D'Adamo called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM.
Julia Cleaver announced a new publication from INTRAH: Making it Happen: Using Distance Learning to Improve Reproductive Health Provider Performance.
Diane Rubino announced a new CD-ROM product from she worked on from POPLINE Digital Services, HIM (Helping Involve Men).

Francois Meunier announced that the INED Database keywords have been translated into English.

D'Adamo thanked the members of the committee that helped plan the conference.

2. Committee Report

A. Membership

Lisa Newman sent a Membership Report. Membership numbers remain stable.

B. Treasurer

Anil Kumar presented a Treasurers's Report. He reported that we changed the fiscal year to coincide with the calender year. We had a \$2,900 surplus for 1999 with total assets just under \$30,000. The organization has \$25,000 in a CD and he expects \$1,000 in interest.

Last fall the Board decided to use some of the surplus for travel subsidies, which will probably cause a small deficit for this year. Cleaver reported that the subsidy really helped her be able to attend the Conference this year. The free registration offer may work better in Washington DC.

C. Archives

D'Adamo expressed concerned that our current archivist Edith Ericson is difficult to get a hold of. She has not responded to phone calls or email for information about the status of the archives. Margie Doggett has expressed interest. The transfer should be made by the Fall Board Meeting.

D. DUPS Program

Newman sent a DUPS report. The program seems to be working well. There are currently 27 subscribers and 26 lists were posted since the last report. There were questions about how long to hold onto the materials for those getting the lists via regular mail. No one is sure if they ever actually request materials. They should be contacted to see if they still want to receive the lists via mail, or if they now have email.

E. Communicator

Diane Rubino reported on the Communicator. She and Gretl Cox are trying to make it as professional as possible. They hope to make the Web site more user friendly and be more consistent about the timing of publication. They are always open to ideas for articles.

F. Publicity

Maryann Belanger submitted a Reported on her efforts to publicize the conference. This year was a much better effort than past years but we did not have much in the way of results.

G. Publications and Web

Rubino and Laurian Carroll updated the text of the APLIC-I Brochure. D'Adamo presented a draft layout. The Brochure will be produced after some minor changes

3. Old Business

A. Union List Status

D'Adamo reported that Mike Zimmerman is not interested in helping update the Union List. A decision will be made at the Fall Board meeting after evaluating its current use from the APLIC-I Membership Survey.

B. APLIC-I Membership Survey

Newman sent out a survey to all members a few weeks ago asking about services, collections, use of APLIC-I publications and services, etc. Completed surveys should be returned to Kay Willson. Results will be made available on the APLIC-I Web site.

4. New Business

A. Planning APLIC 2001 Conference

Cleaver presented some ideas for the 2001 conference around access to information in the developing world. Sessions could include the Pamoja Game from The World Library Partnership and Jean Sack's experiences in Bangladesh and Malawi She also suggested an update on Census 2000 products.

Other ideas such as aging were discussed, as well as a more library skills based program. Others suggested a more international scope, as opposed to just the Developing World. Diane Fisher felt strongly about having more breakout sessions.

There was also discussion about the placement of the Business meeting. Placing the Business Meeting in the middle of the conference seemed to work well and there was good attendance this year. Keeping Monday to just a tour and the Board Meeting was also favored by those present.

The final consensus was to have the first day focusing on information in an international context with one breakout session. The second day would consist of the Business Meeting, a census session and another breakout session.

B. Other New Business

D'Adamo encouraged the membership to send feedback to Susan Pasquariella about the usefulness of POPIN. Peggy wrote a letter to POPIN on behalf of APLIC-I. It was suggested that APLIC-I, as the North American POPIN Liaison could look into helping fund mounting some of the resources .

5. Election of New Officers and Board Members

D'Adamo presented the slate of officers. She agreed to be president for another term. Brand cast one vote for the slate, the members agreed.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 AM

Respectfully Submitted
Wendy Brand
Recording Secretary