Revised at TMLA meeting, Austin, October 2008

TMLA Business Meeting
Newport, RI
Thursday, Feb. 21, 2008, 5:30pm
Yesterday's Ale House

Present: Donna Arnold, Keith Chapman, Mary Du Mont, Bruce Evans, Michelle Hahn, Bruce Hall, Jon Haupt, Jean Harden, Ralph Hartsock, Andrew Justice, Mark McKnight, Joan O'Connor, Janelle West, Chris Starcher, Alisa Rata Stutzbach, Jana Fleming, Amanda Harlen.

1. Call to order: Keith Chapman called the meeting to order at 6:05p.m.
2. Minutes from the chapter meeting on Sept. 29, 2007 were read dramatically by Mary Du Mont. Alisa Rata Stutzbach noted that her name is in fact **not** Stutzman. A motion to approve the minutes with these corrections was made by Andrew Justice, and seconded by Ralph Hartsock.

3. Committee Reports

Database Committee: Alisa R. S. reported that the committee met in mid-January and also today. They will put the information they have in the form of a wiki, and estimate they will be done by the fall chapter meeting.

Membership Committee: Bruce Evans made a plea for help! There is more work to do than he, Keith Chapman, and Bruce Hall, can handle!

Oral History: Donna Arnold said that the committee plans to interview Judy Weidow and Donna Mendro in a joint session this May.

4. Institutional Reports

Alisa introduced new SMU staff members Michelle Hahn and Jon Haupt.

Keith asked for a motion to share other reports virtually later. Andrew Justice 'so moved,' and David Hunter seconded.

5. Old Business

MLA/Dallas proposal: Mary Du Mont reported that Phil Vandermeer has asked TMLA if they would consider having the Dallas conference in 2011 instead of 2012. Philadelphia is currently our scheduled location in 2011, but the convention manager has had no success finding a suitable hotel. It was agreed that Tina would have more details about the status of construction in Dallas (esp. the new arts district) and how much of it might be finished by 2011. A consensus was reached to discuss the issue online immediately following the Newport conference, and then have the TMLA membership vote virtually on whether to move the conference or not.

SEMLA/TMLA meeting: Are there any updates on our joint meeting with SEMLA in Fall 2009? Program Committee members Ralph Hartsock and Mary Du Mont answered, "No." They will follow up with the SEMLA officers.

6. New Business

Nothing to report this time.

The meeting was adjourned somewhere around 7pm in favor of dinner! And there was much rejoicing and ordering of schooners.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Du Mont, Past Chair and Acting Secretary.