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**Next Meeting
November 18, 2004
11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
Crichton College**

901-678-4345 no later than Tuesday,
November 16.

***--Kay Cunningham, University of
Memphis, Vice-President/President Elect***

Our next meeting will be Thursday,
November 18, 2004 from 11:30 a.m. to 1
p.m. Representative from Elsevier will make
a presentation on their new SCOPUS
database.

We will meet at Crichton College in
room B107. Crichton College is located at
255 North Highland Street in Memphis, TN.

Lunch will be box lunches from
Lenny's and Dutch treat. The cost of a
lunch is \$5.75.

Choices are:

Ham & cheese box lunch
Roast beef & cheese box lunch
Turkey & cheese box lunch

Choice of bread is white or wheat.

In addition to the sandwich, chips, a
cookie, and either a canned soft drink or
bottled water are included.

RSVP with your lunch choice to
Kay Cunningham by e-mail at
lkcnngh@memphis.edu or by telephone at

SCOPUS

What is SCOPUS? SCOPUS is a
new abstracting and indexing database
from Elsevier. Intended to be the most
comprehensive point of entry to scientific,
technical, and medical literature, it is
composed of more than 27 million
bibliographic records to journal articles.
More than 4000 international publishers are
represented with indexing from 14,000
peer-reviewed titles. All MEDLINE journals
are covered, as well as all Open Access
journals.

Abstracts are available back to 1966;
reference lists to 1996. Individual libraries
can link to their holdings and full text
subscriptions through the SCOPUS
interface. SCIRUS, Elsevier's free web
search engine, is also incorporated, adding
web resources to SCOPUS search results.

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Mid-South Chapter Meeting Minutes

September 30, 2004

A business meeting of the Mid-South Chapter of SLA was held at the P & H Café, 1532 Madison at 11:30 p.m. In attendance were Christina Barnes, Kay Cunningham, Maureen Fitzer, Rebecca Murphy, Rosemary Nelms, Octavia Perryman and Jan Smith.

Octavia extended a warm welcome to new member, Rebecca Murphy, who works at the University of Mississippi in Oxford.

The minutes from the board meeting on August 25 were approved.

Octavia distributed documents for members' perusal. Board members had discussed changes to the Chapter Recommended Practices document in August. The Mid-South Chapter Governing Document was approved by the Board on January 21 and went into effect February 1, 2004.

Members also were given a document from the national SLA office – an Interim Report on Alternative Dues Structure and a Chapter Cabinet Document from the Boston chapter suggesting collection of statistics to help members prepare for changes in the workplace.

Future meeting venues and program topics were discussed. The Nov. 18 meeting will be at Crichton College with a program by Elsevier. The membership meeting will be held January 27 at 11:30 a.m.

March 24 is tentatively scheduled as a visit to the Clinton Library in Little Rock.

The Joint Meeting with Memphis Area Library Council will be in April, with MALC responsible for the food and SLA responsible for the speaker. Kay reported that the first suggested speaker, Elaine Boosler, was too expensive. We are pursuing other alternatives; for example, a program on "Librarians in Movies."

Our May 26, 2005 meeting will be held at the site of our charity project for the year. There was some discussion of whether to continue with Hope House or consider a new project. Some different charities like a senior citizens group or the VA hospital were suggested. Members with ideas should e-mail Maureen Fitzer at mlfitzer@buckman.com

The meeting was adjourned after members gathered around a life-size Elvis figure (brought by Octavia) for a picture requested by national SLA headquarters.

--Respectfully submitted--Rosemary Nelms, Commercial Appeal NewsLibrary, Secretary/Treasurer

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telephone: 901-678-4345**Mid-South Chapter
2004-2005 Tentative Meeting
Schedule***

September 30 Business Meeting	P and H Café Memphis, TN
November 18	Crichton College Memphis, TN
January 27 Membership Meeting	
March 24	
April 21 SLA/MALC Joint Meeting	
May 26 Charity Meeting	
*All Dates and Places subject to change.	

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