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## Next Meeting

### St. Jude Children's Research Hospital



The next meeting of the Mid South Chapter will be on Thursday, March 25, 2004, at 11:30 a.m. at the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. The meeting will be a business one, and the chapter will finish watching the video, "Effective Negotiating Techniques for Licensing Content." Lunch will be provided.

St. Jude is located in downtown Memphis at 332 N. Lauderdale. The meeting will be held in the Barry Longinotti Building (St. Jude North) in Conference Room E; the Barry Longinotti Building is located near the corner of Third and Lauderdale. Enter the parking lot from Third Street. For location on map, see details and links below.

St. Jude North Barry / Longinotti Building (#10 on map)

Park in the Barry / Longinotti Building Parking Lot (#11 on map)  
Conference Room E  
(near Café Fresca)

See for map:

[http://www.stjude.org/media/0,2561,453\\_2086\\_9169,00.html](http://www.stjude.org/media/0,2561,453_2086_9169,00.html)

See for written directions:

[http://www.stjude.org/patient-information/0,2584,472\\_2305\\_6039,00.html](http://www.stjude.org/patient-information/0,2584,472_2305_6039,00.html)

RSVP to Octavia Perryman by March 17, 2004, e-mail: [okperryman@buckman.com](mailto:okperryman@buckman.com); telephone: 901-272-6522.

## Minutes of the Mid-South Chapter SLA Meeting

January 23, 2004

The Mid-South Chapter SLA meeting was held on between 7:30 and 9 a.m. on January 23, 2004 at Schering-Plough in Memphis, TN. Those in attendance were: Christina Barnes – Memphis Public, Jason Bolton – *Memphis Business Journal*, Kay Cunningham – IIT-Technical Institute, Maureen Fitzer – Buckman Laboratories, Martha Hurst – Schering-Plough, Rosemary Nelms – *Commercial Appeal*, Octavia Perryman – Buckman Laboratories, Pam Walker – Crichton College, and Carolyn Wilhite – Schering-Plough, retired.

The chapter provided breakfast at Plough's cafeteria. President Christina Barnes called the meeting to order, welcoming our guest and prospective new member, Jason Bolton of the *Memphis Business Journal*. Christina thanked Pam Walker for learning and providing information on the joint meeting with the Memphis Area Library Council. The joint meeting will be on Thursday, April 22 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. It will be held at the Memphis College of Art in Overton Park. The program will be on story-telling. The Mid-South Chapter will cover the cost of the catering for the joint meeting this year.

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Rosemary Nelms invited chapter members to contribute book reviews to the Commercial Appeal's new column. [See the article, "Page Turners" in this issue of the newsletter, for more details.]

We watched the first half of "Effective Negotiating Techniques for Licensing Content," an SLA video that offered some interesting insights into the world of license agreements.

We will see the remainder of the video at our next meeting, which will also be a business meeting, to be held at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital on March 25, 2004, from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*--Kay Cunningham, ITT-Technical Institute,  
Secretary-Treasurer*



## Page Turners

The Memphis *Commercial Appeal* has begun a new column in the Sunday Fanfare section called "Page Turners." Heretofore, news library staff (and Mid-South Chapter members) Rosemary Nelms and Shirley Sykes have provided reviews. Contributions, though, are welcome.

Reviews should address fairly current popular fiction and be 200-250 words in length.

If you have a book you would like to review, check first to make certain it is a book they would like to feature. Check with Rosemary Nelms ([nelms@commercialappeal.com](mailto:nelms@commercialappeal.com)) or with Peggy Burch, the book page editor ([burch@commercialappeal.com](mailto:burch@commercialappeal.com)); use Page Turners as your subject line.

*--Kay Cunningham, ITT-Technical Institute,  
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## Chapter Business

The following document will be reviewed at the Business Meeting on March 25.

--*Christina Barnes, MSCPLIC, President*

### MODEL CHAPTER GOVERNING DOCUMENT

January 21, 2004

#### NAME AND MISSION

The name of this unit is the \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter, Special Libraries Association.

The mission of this Chapter shall be that of the Special Libraries Association.

#### MEMBERSHIP

The membership of the Chapter shall be those members of the Association who reside or work within the geographic boundaries of the Chapter, defined as [insert the specific Chapter boundaries here], or who elect to affiliate with the Chapter.

The Association's Board of Directors shall define the classes of members.

Chapter membership falling below 25 members for more than one Association year will be reported to the Chapter Cabinet Chair.

#### EXECUTIVE BOARD

The executive board ("board") with a minimum of four members shall have the authority and responsibility to manage the Chapter's property and to regulate and govern its affairs. A majority of board members in office shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the board.

No member shall serve in the same office for more than two consecutive terms.

Should the office of president become vacant, the president-elect shall assume this position for the remainder of the term. All other board vacancies, including a vacancy in the office of president-elect, occurring before the conclusion of a departing member's term will be filled by majority vote of the remaining members of the board.

#### OFFICERS

The president, subject to the executive board, shall have general supervision and control over Chapter affairs.

The president-elect shall have duties as specified by Chapter Recommended Practices and the needs of the Chapter.

The secretary shall keep an approved record of all meetings of the Chapter and board and sign legal documents jointly with the president.

The treasurer shall have custody of the Chapter funds.

The Chapter may elect additional officers as specified by the Chapter Recommended Practices, and the needs of the Chapter.

#### MEETINGS

The Chapter annual business meeting shall be held prior to the Association annual conference. At least one business meeting shall be held during the term of office of each elected board. Adequate notice of meetings shall be provided to the membership.

#### COMMITTEES

The board may establish committees, which shall be responsible to the board.

The board may authorize funds for committee expenses.

No Chapter member may serve on any one committee for more than six consecutive years.

#### **SUBUNITS**

Subunits may be established and disbanded by the Chapter, according to Chapter Recommended Practices.

#### **FUNDS, CONTRACTS AND PROPERTY**

Funds for Chapter expenses shall be derived in part or in whole from the Association as an allotted share of the annual dues paid by Chapter members.

Any agreement, contract, or obligation entered into by the Chapter, including the purchase of property such as office machines, filing cabinets, computer equipment, etc., shall have advance approval of the board. Any agreement, contract or obligation must be in compliance with Association liability limits as prescribed in Chapter Recommended Practices.

#### **NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS**

A Nominating Committee for each election of members to the board shall be appointed by the board. Nomination of candidates for each office and the election of candidates shall be determined by Chapter Recommended Practices.

#### **DISSOLUTION AND MERGER**

The Chapter may petition the Association Board of Directors for dissolution, or for merger with another Chapter, by vote of its membership in accordance with Chapter Recommended Practices.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

Chapters shall institute suitable mechanisms to facilitate communications with and between its members regarding Chapter activities, affairs, issues, and other matters.

#### **CHAPTER REPRESENTATION AND AFFILIATION**

Chapter representatives to joint committees and meetings of other societies having objectives allied to those of the Chapter and of the Association may be appointed by the President.

#### **AMENDMENTS**

This governing document may be amended by an affirmative vote of two thirds of the members present at any Chapter meeting. Revisions in, or amendments to, the Chapter governing document shall be reviewed by the Association Bylaws Committee, prior to presentation to the Chapter membership.

Approved by Chapter Cabinet: June 10, 2003

Approved by Board of Directors: January 21, 2004

Effective Date: February 1, 2004

This Governing Document was amended:

Approved by the Bylaws Committee, Special Libraries Association

\_\_\_\_\_, Chair \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signed) (Date)

Approved by the Chapter membership

\_\_\_\_\_, President \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signed) (Date)

This document can also be viewed on the SLA website at

[Http://www.sla.org/content/resources/leadcenter/leadresour/modchpgov.cfm](http://www.sla.org/content/resources/leadcenter/leadresour/modchpgov.cfm)



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## Treasurer's Report

The balance of the chapter's Regions Band account was \$3,683.20 as of the February 6 statement.

Interest earnings were 0.15; expenses were \$40.15 for the Membership Breakfast.

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 Secretary/Treasurer*