

**Literacy and Social Responsibility Special Interest Group
International Reading Association Annual Convention
McCormick Building, Chicago Illinois
Monday, April 26, 2010**

Business Meeting: Summary of Actions

Presiding: President Melanie Cohen Goodman

Persons Present: Aimee Rogers, Melanie Cohen Goodman, Carolyn Cook, Patricia Dean, Denise Stuart, Beth Breneman

Congratulations and thanks were offered to 2010 Program Chair, Patty Dean, for organizing and chairing a second excellent program which was well-attended throughout. Special thanks were extended to all persons present for their many contributions to the SIG. Melanie also congratulated Patty for her extraordinary achievement of receiving a Presidential Award from Barak Obama due to her many hours of volunteer service in behalf of the Green Earth Book Awards.

Denise Stuart, Awards Chair, distributed a flyer and guidelines for the new Literacy and Service Recognition Award. A number of minor revisions were suggested and discussed by the group. A motion to approve the documents with revisions was passed unanimously. Denise agreed to share the revised materials with Isabel Campoy and Alma Flor Ada and move forward with the application process in the coming year.

Patty Dean expressed willingness to serve as Literacy and Social Responsibility Communication Coordinator--assuming Kaye West is willing and eager to turn this role over to her. This position involves maintaining and updating the L & SR SIG e-List and sending out communications and documents, such as the newsletter, to the Board and Membership, as requested by the Board.

No one stepped forward to serve as Social Event Coordinator for Orlando 2011. It was agreed that we would continue publicizing the need for a volunteer to find a restaurant and book reservations on an appropriate day and time for our group next year.

It was agreed that we would recruit a new Program Chair for 2013 and 2014 next year in Orlando. Andrea Karlin and Melanie Cohen Goodman, L & SR co-chairs for 2011 and 2012, have already lined up two key-note speakers for Orlando. Both are feeling confident about next year's program.

Beth Breneman received approval from the Board to develop, for the L & SR Web-site, a Strand on Instructional Strategies, expanding from her 2010 presentation on Best Literacy Strategies with Prosocial Twists.

Treasurer's Report. \$1250 (rounded off) is in our SIG account.

Respectfully submitted by Beth Breneman, Secretary of L & SR SIG, IRA