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## Literacy & Social Responsibility Special Interest Group

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Business Meeting, May 3, 2001. At our annual business meeting last year in New Orleans, it was moved and seconded that Rebecca Kaminski, Professor at Clemson University, will become *Communications Coordinator* and will work on improving electronic communications among the Board of Directors and all members. Rebecca Kaminiski, Professor at Clemson UniversityProfessor in the School of Education at California State University Dominguez Hills, California was elected to serve as Program Chair for 2002 (San Francisco) and 2003 (Orlando). Denise Stuart, Assistant Professor of Literacy Education, Cleveland State University, Ohio was elected to serve on the Board of Directors.

NEW TEST WEB-SITE. Thanks to the efforts of our two board members, Alma Flor Ada & Isabel Campoy, the University of San Francisco agreed to provide us a home on their web server for our SIG web-site. Our Webmaster, Saul Krimsly, now has our web-site up and running (www.soe.usfca.edu/socialresponsibility).

**Plan now for Orlando, 2003!** If you have a project to share in Orlando next year, please complete the enclosed form and return by May 15, 2001. <u>If your name is on the program,</u> it's easier to obtain administrative support. Cynthia McDermott organizing now!



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