Present: Susan Hahn, Julia Crawford, Beth Reiten, Molly, Marilyn, Gwen Dobbs
Absent: Ona, Audrey DeFrank, Jay

1:22  Susan called the meeting to order

REVIEW of the December minutes: change Edmond to Norman
Julia moved to accept the minutes with the proposed change and Gwen seconded the motion

FIRST ORDER of business was the transition between 2000 & 2001 officers:
Susan passed the president's files, banner, disks, visor, etc. to Julia.

Julia then bonked Gwen with the ballot box.  She also handed over the ballots and the evaluations from the conference.
At this point, Julia began to run the meeting.

Jim was not in attendance and indicated that he will mail Beth the secretary’s files and materials.

Gwen will pass along the OBIC materials to Jay.

As Audrey is again the treasurer, there was no transition required.

Julia asked Susan about the status of the appreciation certificates.  Susan indicated that their distribution was almost completed.

Newsletter Report:  Molly indicated that they have been unable to open anything on the disk Tom passed along with the previous newsletters and templates on it. Someone from Tulsa had mentioned they had something they wanted to have placed in the newsletter; they will get more information soon. Molly is thinking about using either MS Word or MS Publisher to produce the newsletter. They can’t open Tom’s PageMaker files, so they want to use a program that they’re more familiar with. The December/January newsletter will come out in late January, with the second one coming out in late March so there’s a little more space between them. We’re looking at putting the conference wrap-up both in the newsletter and on the website. When it’s ready, Molly will pass it along to Beth.

Bylaws Discussion: As we talked about at the last meeting, there’s nothing in the bylaws about how to deal with ties. We will need an amendment, so the membership needs to talk about it and vote on the amendment. Bylaws may be amended by a majority of the people in attendance at the meeting where it is discussed; it doesn’t need a majority of the entire membership. Before we bring it to people’s attention, we need to decide what we are going to propose. Beth suggested looking at the ACRL bylaws to see how they handle ties. The ACRL bylaws say in the event of a tie, “the successful candidate will be determined by lot.” It was decided to use the same wording in the amendment. Molly? Will put a notice in the next two newsletters bringing the question to the attention of the membership. March’s newsletter will also include the information about where and when the brownbag during OLA will be, if we are able to get a time slot. Molly will find out whom we need to talk to about getting a time slot at OLA. Beth needs to get the information about this proposed amendment onto the website ASAP along with a line saying something like “if you have any suggestions about resolving tie breakers, please contact lib-ptd.”
Website Comments: It was pointed out that we need to change the date on the web comment form. It was decided to just remove the date entirely. The membership form: date needs to be changed to “2001” and the membership dues need to be corrected. The officers page needs to be updated with the newest board’s information. A paper was passed around to collect everybody’s current information. Again, changing the conference announcement on the index page to the notice about the bylaws was mentioned.

Conferences: The evaluations from 2000 were passed around again, and special note was made of the repeated comment about making both the speakers and the questioners. Susan indicated that Bill Crow was interested in receiving his evaluation information. She volunteered to send that to him. Gwen threw out the idea of “emerging media” for the Fall 2001 conference. Thinking more about things like do we catalog/offer access to streaming media/ebooks/etc. One great thing about this idea is that it includes both the technical and public services side of libraries. Julia exhorted everyone to think about ideas and bring them to the group through email or to the next meeting. The next question: where do we want to have the conference this year? Julia liked the OCU theatre, but Beth expressed a desire for tables so it’s easier to take notes. The 1999 conference at OSU cost $212 for catering and the facility. Guthrie was suggested, also. Gwen suggested we evaluate the mailing list to see where the membership actually is, and then we can base our location thinking off of those results. Decided to ask Audrey to do this since she has the list in her possession.

What about doing another mini-conference this year? Last year’s copyright conference with SLA fell into our laps, but it was very well received. Gwen mentioned that Abbey Warner has a mini-workshop set up called “Research on the Internet: Not necessarily an oxymoron.” Julia will contact her to see if she’d be interested. She’ll also look at the UCD and SLA schedules to see if the end of March will work for us. Location possibilities were discussed, including OKCC, OU, and OSU-OKC. If we go with OU, we’re limited to 25 participants.

Treasurer’s Report: There is some uncertainty about what a membership costs this year, either $10 or $15. We’ll need to get a clarification from Audrey. (Looking at the September 2000 minutes, an increase to $15 for members, $10 for UCD was approved.) We looked over the reports Audrey brought to the December meeting with the next conference in mind. It was decided that we can afford to pay for our speakers’ travel expenses, but we won’t be able to afford honorariums. Julia mentioned that every two or three years ACRL will send someone from headquarters to speak at the state conferences at ACRL’s expense. Nobody is 100%, but OK should be due this year or maybe next year. Julia will contact the ACRL director of member services to see if we’re eligible for the free speaker; and if so, what the topics are and their available dates.

No other new business was presented.

Our next meeting will be in Edmond on Feb. 16. Lunch will be at Milano’s, either at 11:00 or 1:30. Gwen will let us know closer to the date which will work better for her.

Meeting concluded at 2:55.