Membership Committee, I
Friday, January 29, 1999
Philadelphia Marriott 403

Members Present: Bill Sudduth, chair; Frances Skiffington, Jill Vassilakos-Long, recorder

Since a quorum was not present, no action items were considered.

The new sign-up sheet was circulated.

Preparations for ALA Annual Conference (New Orleans) were discussed. GODORT has a contract with the Hampton Inn, signed last February. Contract calls for 150 rooms Friday through Monday and 80 rooms Thursday and Tuesday. New Members Lunch is tentatively set for Crescent City Brew House Saturday 1-2:30. The menu will be a taste of New Orleans; details should be set in a couple of months. Frances is still looking for a conference reception location in central New Orleans (conference area). Bill recommended that she plan for 175 people and a budget of about $2,000-3,000. Bill will verify during 2nd Steering.

The committee commended Frances for all that she has done and how fortunate we are to have such good connections in New Orleans.

Arrangements for San Antonio. Bill Sudduth tried some preliminary contacts with San Antonio hotels and discovered that ALA has already booked many of the properties. Bill Sudduth has been in contact with Diedra Ross of ALA Conference Services about booking a block of rooms through ALA. The room would be called the GODORT Block. Members would ask to be placed in the GODORT Block. GODORT will need to notify ALA in August for Midwinter and October for Annual.

Old Business

Promotional Materials - these materials need to be updated with at least a flier available at the GODORT booth for annual. Bill thought Catherine and Christine volunteered to work on these. This will have to done by e-mail after conference.

Big Blue-needs to be updated. Peggy Walker sent some state document material to Karen Russ to add to the display. The committee needs to locate some interesting publication or mount covers from titles from the Notable Documents List. Bill will get Big Blue back and then ship to Frances in early June and then set-up the Friday of Conference. A preliminary application for a conference has been submitted.

Conference Booth-a committee member needs to solicit volunteers to work the booth. Jill suggested that volunteers could be rewarded by having their names placed in a drawing for a gift certificate. This would be drawn sometime during conference.

The meeting adjourned at 5:30.