GODORT Membership Committee
ALA Annual 2000, Chicago
Sheraton Hotel
July 7, 2000 3:20-4:30 p.m.
Jill Vassilakos-Long, Chair
Karen Nordgren, Secretary
Called to Order at 3:20

Present: Jill Vassilakos-Long (chair), Bill Sudduth, Karen Nordgren, Kathryn Brazee, Earl Shumaker, Louise Treff-Gangler, Janette Neal

Thank you to: Kathryn Brazee for organizing the program Documents 101; Kathryn Brazee for organizing volunteers to run the GODORT booth; Earl Shumaker for organizing the New Members Lunch; Karen Nordgren for updating the Conference Tips page; Bill Sudduth for updating the membership Web site; James Galbraith for working with vendors to get the funding for the GODORT Reception; Janette Neal for organizing the GODORT Reception.

Discussed draft proposal for GODORT Councilor.

Agreed to create a page for new members on our Web. The purpose of the page would be to instruct people on how to participate effectively in GODORT.

The supply of membership brochures is almost exhausted. It was agreed that the Committee would work on a fact sheet (or a print-out of the above mentioned page) that would convey the essential information including where to find most of the information kept at the exhibit booth. This would then take the place of much of the paper within the notebook that is carted back and forth to the booth for each annual ALA. It would also be the main handout from the GODORT booth.

Agreed to propose that Jill work with Deidre Ross to develop further hotel recommendations and possibly to alter the current procedures so that GODORT is more proactive in choosing a hotel. Instead of recommending a hotel at the Business Meeting we will recommend that Steering and the Membership Committee work out a hotel recommendation later in August when there are more hotels to choose from, and that Jill will work with Deidre to get the required number of rooms at our choices.

Agreed to develop a proposal for virtual participation by GODORT members who cannot attend conferences but who would like to contribute to the work of GODORT committees.

Agreed to request that the chair send a letter commending Deidre Ross for her excellent work in getting GODORT a block at the Gunther.