Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:10 p.m. by SLDTF Coordinator Beth Baur. Following introductions, new officers were announced: Sandra Webber will serve as Coordinator, Debbie Hollis will serve as Coordinator-Elect, and Lisa Stimatz will continue as secretary. Margaret T. Lane was recognized as the 1997 recipient of the Bernadine Abbott Hoduski Foundation Award for her outstanding contribution to the field.

Reports from SLDTF Committee/Working Groups

Gayle Christian reported that Atifa Rawan has updated the State and Local Documents Web page located at http://dizzy.library.arizona.edu/users/arawan. Members are encouraged to visit the page and contribute additional links. It was also recommended that the future coordination and standardization of the Web page and files be done through the Committee of Eight. Kathy Parsons distributed the 1997 State and Local Documents Bibliography. The Committee of Eight had no report. Jan Goldsmith reported that progress continues on the Documents on Documents Collection, although there remain some questions as to whether the collection should be kept at UCLA or transferred to the ALA or GODORT archives and how the collection should be publicized. Barbara Ceizler-Silver, Chair of the LJ Notable Documents section announced that Louveller Luster will serve as selector and Sandra Webber and Louise Treff-Gangler will serve as judges. The number of documents accepted for publication has been reduced to 15 from 20. A form to submit titles will be included in the next DTTP.

Reports from GODORT Committees/Liaisons

Gayle Christian reported that there would be a joint public hearing to discuss the merger of ASCLA and ILERT to form a new division on Monday at 2 p.m. at the Moscone Convention Center Room 122. Nan Myers reported that the Catalog Committee would meet on Monday and would continue their discussion of issues surrounding the cataloging of Internet resources. Sandra Webber reported that the Education Committee would meet on Sunday. She announced that the exchange disk would not be available at the Conference, but there would be an order form in the next DTTP. It was reported that this year’s program will be on Monday, following the CIS Breakfast. The focus will be on GILS, the Government Information Locator System. No reports were given from GITCO, Legislation, Rare and Endangered or the Ad Hoc Web Committee.

News from the Field

Jean Wilkins, State Library of Illinois, shared Illinois’ experience with the Illinois State Electronic Document Distribution project. The project was mandated through legislation passed by the Illinois
legislature in January of 1997, but funding for the project was later deleted from the proposed state
budget. The project has subsequently been scaled back and current efforts are aimed at surveying and
coordinating access to state agency Web sites.

Rob Richards, University of Colorado Law Library, reported on the status of the Statelist Project.
The project currently includes the checklists or shipping lists of 25 states. A test database using Microsoft
Access has been developed for two states, with plans to make the database accessible over the Web later
in 1997. Efforts are also underway to publicize the site and increase participating state libraries and
depository centers. The site can be found http://www.law.uiuc.edu/library/check.htm.

The Task Force returned to the Draft Resolution on Planning for the Preservation of Government
Information first introduced at the 1997 Midwinter meeting. Following discussion and recommendations
for changes in the language and intent of the Draft, Beth Baur agreed to share the Task Force’s concerns
with Dan O’Mahoney of the GODORT Legislation Committee.

Pat Finney, Center for Research Libraries (CRL) updated the Task Force on the recommendations
of the CRL State Documents Task Force. The CRL Task Force has been asked to develop a plan for the
dispersion of the 1950-1990 portion of the collection to appropriate and interested bodies. SLDTF will
assist in efforts to place the collection and make it accessible through links on the CRL Web page.

The ASCLA Merger was discussed and Beth Baur will share the Task Force’s views on the
merger.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m.