

GODORT Membership Committee
ALA Midwinter 2005, Boston
Meeting I Friday, Jan. 14, 2005, 2-5:30pm
OMNI Lowell
Marilyn Von Seggern, Chair

Introductions

Present: Marilyn Von Seggern, Chelsea Dinsmore, Becky Byrum, Andrea Morrison, Nancy Kolenbrander, Catherine Morse (Recorder)

Announcements

The Sunday meeting will begin at 8:30am.

Changes to the Agenda

There were no changes.

Approval of minutes from 2004 Annual Conference

The minutes from the 2004 Annual Conference were approved.

Ongoing Projects

- *New Members Lunch*: Will take place tomorrow at the Globe Restaurant. GODORT Chair will welcome people to the lunch.
- *New dues structure*: In an effort to increase membership, GODORT is interested in reciprocal memberships with other roundtables. There was concern that ALA may not be able to support this change, since there is no established procedure. It will be proposed to the Steering Committee that the dues be \$10 for students, \$20 for new documents librarians, \$25 regular membership, and \$30 for organizations/corporations.
- *GODORT brochure*: There was discussion about a box to check in membership brochures that would indicate interest in receiving an extra copy of *DTTP*. We will need to determine if there are any extra copies of *DTTP* to give away.

There was also discussion about changing the quote on the front of the brochure.

Marilyn will talk to John about the possibility of GPO distributing the GODORT brochures.

It was decided that we could use as many as 500 color which could be distributed at FDLP, state GODORT meetings, and the New Members Roundtable. We also need a supply of non-color brochures.

- *List of state GODORT organizations*: Nancy has communicated with just about all of them. She will send the final list to Becky. The list will be organized by state and by region.

Becky will ask Lesley to link to it from the GODORT homepage.

- *New Member Letter:* The committee discussed editorial changes. Andrea will rewrite the letter.
- *Survey to dropped members:* There haven't been any responses unless the previous webmaster has received responses to the electronic version. The committee decided it is not worth continuing. Nancy and Chelsea volunteered to call a sample of dropped members to gather information after Marilyn has received the next batch of labels from ALA.
- *Information for new and prospective members web page:* Should include information on how to join a committee. Andrea will write about the New Members Lunch and send it to Becky.

New Initiatives

- *GODORT blurb in American Libraries:* Could give GODORT URL.
- *DTTP Ads for GODORT:* Could mention opportunities for involvement.
- *Survey of current members:* Find out what is important to members. Andrea will send a draft survey in February or March. We will discuss it via email.
- *Mentoring webpage:* Mentoring survey had mixed results. It would be easier to create a resource page identifying resource people (perhaps former chairs?) and a "basic question" person. Could also include conference tips for new members.