SRRT ACI
July 8, 2000

PRESENT: Fred Stoss, SRRT Coordinator; Elaine Harger, SRRT Secretary; Nel Ward, SRRT Treasurer; Linda Pierce; Carole McCollough, CSK Chair; Jon McConnel; Peter McDonald, Action Council; Lynn Andersen; Al Kagan, SRRT Councilor; Ann Sparanese, Action Council; Mark Rosenzweig, Action Council; Alison Lewis; Dena Marger; Karen Venturrella; Damon Jaggers, HHP Chair; Kim Edson; Maria Jankoska, TFOE Co-chair; Sandy Berman; Irwin Weintraub, TFOE Co-chair; Mark Hudson; Ceci Chapple, Action Council; Jane Ingold, SRRT Newsletter Editor; Charles Willett; Rory Liiwin, AIP Chair; Virginia Moore, MLK Chair; Mary Biblo; Carol Barta, KS SRRT; Barbara Clark.

Introductions
Fred Stoss welcomed and introduced new newsletter editor Jane Ingold. Introductions were made around the room.

Minutes for ACI and ACII Midwinter 2000 approved as amended.

State SRRT Reports

Kim Edson reported that Chris Dodge is no longer editor of the MSRRT Newsletter, which has suspended publication and informed the meeting that MSRRT has also been suspended. Many expressed their sorrow at hearing the news.

Linda Pierce reported that the Washington SRRT too is taking an hiatus and looking for new leadership.

Fred Stoss reported that NYSRRT has not yet picked a representative to SRRT, but expects to at upcoming meeting. Fred appealed to all AC members to assist their respective state SRRTs in their activities.

Progressive Librarians Around the World
Al Kagan, distributed the call for a 2nd international meeting of progressive librarian organizations, which is to take place in November in Vienna. Al is attending, and wants to represent SRRT. He’ll need short reports from all task forces to deliver at the meeting. He expressed the need for Action Council to empower him to represent SRRT on any issues that come up and requested official action to that effect.

Fred Stoss encouraged task forces to give reports to Al. Elaine Harger suggested that the reports should contain some information on the issues each task force is charged to deal with. Fred added that the reports also contain mention of any international issues the task forces are currently dealing with. TF reports will be due October 1st to Al with cc’s to Fred.
MOTION: Mark Rosenzweig moved, that Al Kagan be SRRT’s representative to the Vienna meeting. MOTION approved unanimously.

Resolutions

Al Kagan presented the International Relations Committee of ALA’s new “International Relations Agenda,” and the amendments to that Agenda drawn up by SRRT’s IRTF. He distributed copies of the IRC’s document and explained the amendments, noting that the ACRL Int’l Rel’s Comm. supported many of the IRTF amendments.

Discussion opened with Fred noting that the International Council of Scientific Unions would be very interested in library/info work internationally. Sandy pointed out a grammatical correction. Maria noted that in some libraries information is charged for because the libraries need the money to survive and suggested that this be taken into consideration. Sandy replied that these are principles that libraries should strive for, not a description of what might actually exists. Discussion continued over whether or not language concerning “libraries provide free access to information” should be changed or qualified to include libraries that can’t afford to provide free access. Rory reminded the meeting that SRRT has often noted that libraries’ principles and practices in providing free access are often inconsistent.

MOTION: Ann Sparanese moved, Rory Litwin seconded resolution to send to IRC the “Response to the Draft of the ALA International Relations Agenda 2000-2005” MOTION passed unanimously.

Al Kagan, introduced and spoke to “SRRT Resolution on Advertising on the ALA Website.”

Carole Barta asked whether the website might be taking place of print materials and, therefore, wouldn’t this then be fighting a losing battle? Fred added that this advertising seemed to smack of favoritism and stated that the pages of a professional association’s website are not the place for ads. Rory said that most of the ads on the site in the American Libraries On-line are just electronic versions of the ads in the print version of American Libraries. He asked if maybe we should make allowances for the presence of ads in this electronic space. Kim Edson noted that ALA is advertising everywhere (she then held up a canvas bag that was given to people when they registered at this conference). She added that financial stress has motivated ALA to engage in widespread advertising and corporate sponsorships to help fund programming and other activities. Mark noted that SRRT has historically been opposed to advertising. Cici concurred and reminded the meeting of the Ameritech co-sponsorship of an ALA conference several years ago which shocked many, the Ameritech logo was everywhere at the conference. She suggested that SRRT might get involved in establishing an ALA policy with regard to advertising and corporate sponsorships. Charles Willett informed the meeting the he’d asked American Libraries for free advertising for CounterPoise, but ALA Publishing said it would not because ALA needs revenue. He showed the group a copy of Booklist, which contains many ads, and asked is SRRT might want to advertise for alternative
press publications in the SRRT Newsletter. Mark Hudson said it is important for SRRT to state our principles concerning advertising and communicate them to ALA. Karen Venturella suggested that there could be an “advertising-free zone” on ALA’s website. Mark shared his worries that this might become a prelude to widespread advertising by libraries. Barbara asked if ALA has a policy on advertising.

AL, proposed to table resolution in favor of bringing issue back to AC in another form. Resolution tabled.

SRRT Website
Rory reported that the SRRT Website Committee made some minor changes to the site. The address is: Libr.org/SRRT.work. Task forces are all listed on the first page of website. Fred noted that the committee is small, but has made great strides in developing the website.

SRRT Stationary
Elaine will have supplies for distribution on Monday. Action Council members will be able to request stationary from the OLOS office.

SRRT Newsletter
Fred reported that the newsletter serves as the only interface between SRRT AC and the entire SRRT membership. He gave many thanks to Ken and Jessamyn for their work and welcomed Jane as the new editor. He added that AC will need to review our financial situation before we can know what the publication schedule should be.

Ad in American Libraries for SRRT programs
Fred reported that the June issue of AL carried a free ad for SRRT because OLOS has an agreement with AL for a limited amount of space. He noted that SRRT should use this opportunity regularly.

@your library
Fred described the public relations campaign ALA is organizing. We could use social responsibilities@your library or feminists@your library for SRRT activities. He suggested that this is an opportunity that could be used creatively. Elaine asked if perhaps we should take this opportunity to look into issues of socially responsible advertising or corporate sponsorships. Fred suggested that AC establish an ad hoc committee to look into this @your library public relations campaign. Mark said that this is a “branding campaign” intentionally to be used for advertisers. Lynn said that, as with many “brands,” people might just get used to it and after a while just won’t notice it. She asked what SRRT and ALA will be getting out of it. Rory asked if we can be opposed to how campaign is used by corporate sponsors, but use the campaign for SRRT’s benefit. This just might serve the purpose of making the public more aware of the library and its relevance. Fred noted that there will be a lot of hype at the conference about this campaign and said that if any SRRT AC members want to have input in the matter before midwinter, they should sign up for the ad hoc committee.
Counterpoise
Peter McDonald distributed his report on CP for discussion at ACII. Charles Willett
distributed the CP Business Plan.

Budget
Nel Ward reported that SRRT had a $7500 deficit at beginning of year, but that the
GLBTF raised $5000, which should put us at the end of the fiscal year in the black. She
requested receipts from task forces so reimbursements can be made prior to Aug. 31st.

Fred expressed many thanks personally and on behalf of SRRT to Nel for being such a
diligent friend of SRRT in resolving the budget crisis. As a result of the way SRRT has
worked out budget issues, he noted, there is a new part of RTCC Handbook dealing with
budgets. Nel replied that the task forces have been absolutely wonderful in helping with
this matter.

Kim asked if there has been noticeable decline in SRRT membership as result of GLBTF
separation from SRRT. Fred reported that there was slight dip in membership at
beginning of year, but doesn’t think this represents anything more than normal
fluctuations.

Tape-recording of meetings
During the budget discussion, Ann Speranese asked about AC meetings being tape-
recorded. She noticed that Charles had a tape recorder running. Charles replied that the
reason he was taping the meeting was that he doesn’t hear very well and needs to know
exactly what was said at the meeting. He was not using the tape for any other reason. AI
noted that there is often a distinction between recording public meetings and business
meetings. Satia Orange noted that, generally, within ALA permission is granted
unanimously for recording. Satia volunteered to get a microphone so the meeting could
resume. Charles turned off recorder.

MOTION: Mark Rosenzwieg moved, Ann seconded, that SRRT establish a policy that
there be no recording of AC meetings unless permission has been granted by a
unanimous vote of AC members present at the beginning of said meeting. MOTION
passed 14 yes, 1 no, 1 abstention.

Task Force Reports
Hunger, Homelessness & Poverty Task Force: Karen reported that HHP has chosen a
new chair, announced it’s program, and noted that HHP’s bylaws are finished and
website improved. Fred added thanks to Sandy Berman for his steadfast commitment to
the issues of library services to poor people.

Feminist Task Force: Cici reported that FTF’s annual program has been cancelled. Their
keynote speaker had an emergency, and is willing to appear at midwinter.
Coretta Scott King Award Task Force: Barbara introduced the new CSK chair, announced that a publisher is picking up cost of a video about the CSK award which will be distributed for free to libraries.

Alternatives in Print: Rory reported that AIP bylaws will be ready for distribution on Monday, and informed everyone of their program and free speech buffet.

Task Force on the Environment: Irwin reported on the TFOE program and encouraged anyone interested in environmental issues to participate.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Task Force: Ginny reported that task force members are working to spread the word about MLK activities, and are updating their publications.

International Responsibilities Task Force: Al invited everyone to the WTO program, and announced that IRTF’s program next year will probably be on Cuba. He noted the upcoming (Nov. 10-14, 2000) international solidarity conference in Havana. Ann Sparanese is organizing a librarians meeting for the conference. IRTF has new co-coordinators, Mark Rosenzweig & Elaine Harger with help from Ann.

Report from OLOS
Fred, introduced Satia Orange, OLOS staff liaison for SRRT. She distributed the bookmark/ticket for the 1st annual Jean Colman lecture. She also announced that anyone planning programs for San Francisco, must file a form for the new “tracking” schedule. The form must be submitted to Conference Services by 5:00 on Tuesday, July 11. Satia requested that a copy be left at the OLOS desk to assist in coordinating programming. She pointed out that there is no track for “diversity” because such a heading might only attract “the converted.” She emphasized that everyone has to fill out the form, as all programs will be tracked. She also announced that OLOS is sponsoring a pre-conference program on “outreach” and wants to include representatives from all groups that are part of OLOS.

Mark noted that programs dealing with social responsibilities and diversity just might disappear from conference focus, perhaps getting subsumed under other topics and, thereby, getting lost. Satia replied that we have to be vigilant to see that that doesn’t happen, but must also be aware of the possibility that we might end up doing too much “preaching to the saved.”

Al asked who was invited to help develop the tracking list. He noted that there is no category for internationally focussed programs. Satia replied that this issue has been discussed for the past two years, and said that if SRRT doesn’t like the format, it needs to say what should be changed.

Al moved to extend meeting for 15 minutes. Approved.

Round Table Coordinating Committee Report
Fred reported that comments concerning the @your library public relations campaign need to go to Peggy Barber before end of August. He also reported that Larry Miller is serving on the ALA website advisory committee, and that Roland Hansen and ___ are on the 2002 ALA program committee. The RTCC Handbook available for review on ALA website. BARC might establish regular treasurer training workshops for round tables. Concerning the “Speaking with one voice” issue, ALA’s lawyer prepared a memo outlining regulations dealing with non-profit organizations and political candidates. Also, she said that ALA Council has to deal with any changes in who/what units can establish ALA policy. No units are restricted from speaking within association, but cannot speak outside. He expressed concern that the unilateral manner in which provisions for roundtable expressions were removed from handbook was problematic.

AI reported that the progressive council caucus feels that units should just continue business as usual and see what happens if ALA decides to push the matter. Mark alerted people to the important distinction between the memo regarding political campaigns and “speaking with one voice.” He noted that what motivates the “speaking with one voice” business remains to be seen, because it clearly is not a matter of endorsing political candidates. Fred expressed his personal opinion that ALA’s pursuit of corporate sponsorships might have something to do with “speaking with one voice.” Nel expressed confusion about the memo on political activities, noting that the memo expressly states that the restrictions are unfair, but doesn’t really give any good guidelines.

Charles asked what this memo might mean about the program featuring Winona LaDuke. Satia replied that LaDuke was invited to speak as an author, and that the invitation was issued prior to her becoming a candidate. She noted that there will always be gray areas, and that we must use common sense in these issues. AI said he didn’t think SRRT gets treated evenly by ALA and noted that the Major Owens reception is a case in point, where the event has been approved. Mark said that the whole “speaking with one voice” business seems to be an attack on SRRT’s activities, and Satia replied that SRRT should continue to speak out.

Fred, forego old business.

Elaine moved, Barbara seconded moving ACII meeting time to 4:00 instead of 5:30. PASSED unanimously.

Meeting adjourned 12:55 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Elaine Harger, 11/26/00
SRRT ACII
July 10, 2000

Present: Fred Stoss; Peter McDonald; Byron Anderson; Rory Litwin; Charles Willett; Mark Rosenzweig; Nel Ward; Sandy Berman; Elaine Harger; Carol Barta; Cici Chapple; Kim Edson; Al Kagan; Virginia Moore; Mark Hudson; Ann Spananse

Introductions

Budget
Nel requested that task forces get budget requests in a.s.a.p. Two copies should be mailed in to her. At midwinter the budget for next year will be set.

Midwinter and Annual Meetings and Programs
Fred announced that program and meeting forms are available at the ALA Conference Services office at McCormick Center. He reminded program planners to be sure to fill out the new “tracking” form. Also, task force chairs receive packets from ALA at end of August and subsequently throughout the year with information regarding schedules and forms. It is very important to get forms filed on time. Tracking forms are due at 4:00 Tuesday at Conference Services. Table #11. Make extra copy for Satia and leave at OLOS office #26.

By-laws
AIP and Homeless submitting by-laws.

Counterpoise
Fred opened up the discussion and suggested that AC try to resolve the issue within 1 hour.

Peter McDonald outlined the issues under question and highlighted some items from his report. He noted that there are four fundamental questions to be resolved and 8 recommendations. The questions being:
1. Should the suspension CP on be lifted?
2. What sort of publication should CP be?
4. What management structure is most likely to bring CP into future?

Peter suggested that he summarize his recommendations and asked how AC wished to go forward. He also reported that Rory had informed him that AIP could continue to give a home to CP. Elaine suggested that Peter summarize his recommendations in order for AC to go into a discussion of the matter. Sandy asked if perhaps AC should have the report on the table for approval, like a resolution that gets amended, etc. toward a decision. Mark noted that Peter’s report was to be considered but that AC is under no obligation to either approve or not approve. He informed AC that he had a resolution to be considered as part of the discussion. Rory noted that Peter’s report was not a resolution, and Peter added that his intention was not to have the report voted on but for it to serve as a framework for discussion.

Fred suggested that AC discuss Peter’s recommendations.

Peter stated his recommendations:

a. Counterpoise should be allowed to continue work.
c. Charles’ business plan needs some kind of advisory committee to look closely at it, but not immediately. He noted that the plan is a complex document, which shouldn’t be reviewed immediately. He suggested that 3 AC members serve on the review committee.

d. Satia’s memo outlining other models of producing CP should be considered.

e. CP masthead says it is a quarterly issued by AIP. The masthead should reflect actual periodicity, and become a SRRT publication.

f. CP should look at other funding sources.

g. CP has had strong editor and needs some kind of editorial body with fiduciary responsibilities.

h. There should be a time limit on current editor’s term. Recommendation is that by midwinter 2002 CP will get a new editor.

Byron gave an overview of the CP business plan, noting that he was just asked to do this so his presentation was not fully prepared. He reported that the plan has been in the works for about a year. CP began as an AIP publication started by Charles Willett. Initially begun as a quarterly, it never managed to meet that number of issues. Charles was overwhelmed with the amount of work and put out calls for assistance. Eight people helped work on an administrative structure committee and issued a recommendation at midwinter. He said that after scanning Peter’s report, he considers that it seems acceptable. As for the business plan, it was drafted and redrafted by Charles, with some input from Byron, who reported that the revisions made the plan better. He noted that the plan is ambitious and needs further discussion. Regarding the bottom line figures, he reported that he had no input on this section, so couldn’t say for sure if it was complete. Generally, however, Charles has issued financial figures that are as accurate as possible in order to make CP financially viable.

Rory noted that within AIP there wasn’t a consensus that AIP should take ownership of CP, but this is his personal opinion. He was involved in the administrative structure committee, but not in developing the business plan. He did not receive a copy of the plan until after it was generally released. He got a copy from Peter after it was sent around.

Fred conveyed many thanks to both Peter and Byron for their reports, and opened the matter up for discussion.

Nal stated that, although Peter wanted his 1st recommendation to be voted on, she thought that any vote or decision should be dependant on the outcome of other recommendations being accepted. Al noted that AC has another document on the table, a resolution from Mark and Elaine that seems to address Peter’s recommendations. He asked how AC should proceed.

MOTION: Mark moved and Elaine seconded, Resolution on CP. He put forward an administrative caveat the resolution concerned a matter all aspects of which have fiscal implications so only at-large members should vote. Sandy pointed out that whoever voted for the suspension of Counterpoise should vote on this issue. Elaine accepted that point and Mark agreed.

Mark spoke for the resolution pointing out that SRRT is volunteer organization. He cited the SRRT Newsletter as an example, as well as AC officers, the editors of Women in Libraries, etc. He noted that task forces often have problems getting funding for programs and have volunteers do all the work. Within SRRT, only CP has asked to have payment for staff, travel, etc. CP was proposed as a review journal of the alternative press, but has become a general publication, competes with Progressive Librarian, which is run by volunteers and has about 300 subscribers. He said that SRRT needs a review journal of the alternative press and should pursue the original mission of CP. But, he expressed the view that instead of taking the alternative press itself as a model for CP, Charles has looked to Choice and Booklist as models. Mark noted that CP is not comparable to ALA division publications,
though it has grown under AIP. He asked if SRRT wants a journal the magnitude of what has been proposed, and wondered if it might become a primary focus of SRRT. He expressed fears that CP would become the “tail that wags the dog” for SRRT financially. He expressed a desire to see CP flourish in a manner appropriate to SRRT’s mission and in balance with other projects. He called for a plan that is in keeping with SRRT’s ethos and that is workable.

Fred remarked that the resolution seemed to be an alternative to the business plan proposed by Charles, and asked for AC members reactions. He also wondered where an advisory board would fit into the proposal outlined by the resolution. Mark replied that defining the exact structure of CP as not the purpose of the resolution, and suggested that Fred’s question should be addressed internally, by the appropriate people involved in the production of CP.

Peter said that Mark’s resolution had some merit as it addressed paring back of CP, but noted that it does not address other issues. He expressed concern that Charles has caused some difficulties within AC due to problems in regard to style, etc., and stated that there needs to be some kind of editorial board to be financially responsible. He asked what in the resolution could prevent the type of problems AC has experienced regarding CP in the past?

Charles said he wanted to correct one error in the report on page 3, which said that he in his capacity as chair submitted reimbursements for travel. Charles said that he never requested travel reimbursements. Elaine referred Charles to his own financial statement which showed such requests.

Carol expressed her concern that CP get out into the library world to get the alternative press out into the larger library community. She suggested that SRRT might need to ratchet CP up a level.

Mark responded that his resolution is not only concerned with the scale of publication. The resolution does not mean that publication must be pared back, CP doesn’t need to be big and glossy, but of high quality, thorough, etc. He noted that Charles’ business plan called for three-fold growth, which seems unrealistic. A more focussed journal might be more appealing.

Peter expressed concern that the resolution does not address the problem of the blurring of finances. One of the recommendations he made was to establish a subcommittee to look into finances further. He warned that AC would not finding a resolution to what could be an on-going problem if we don’t establish some kind of oversight body. Mark accepted Peter’s concern in regard to the blurring of finances. Elaine thought the resolution did address finances sufficiently however.

Al said that he was not happy with way CP evolved even though he’s been an editor. There is lack of clarity of what CP is supposed to be. He expressed his deep belief that there needs to be a review journal for the alternative press, but noted that CP looks like a regular publication – one that doesn’t have a niche. Libraries don’t see it as unique. He expressed a desire to see a publication produced cheaply that is easy to buy and clearly targeted. He said that in his view Peter’s recommendations seemed to be addressed by the resolution and asked AC to get on with amending and passing the resolution.

Charles addressed two points. He noted that the financial document shown him by Elaine reminded him of requests for travel reimbursements that he had forgotten about. The items were: $37 for a taxi and $279 for lodging and meals. He did indeed ask for that money. He expressed his support of Peter’s recommendations, noting that CP must become a professionally produced publication, like Choice. CP can’t continue at a professional level by amateur volunteers. He noted the great need for
this publication, and requested AC help. He said he simply cannot continue CP alone. He noted that 6 to 7 people who voted for CP's suspension at midwinter have had no connection with Counterpoise.

Elaine noted the need to come to some kind of closure in next 15 minutes as other agenda items needed to be addressed before the meeting's end.

Fred asked if the resolution would allow payment for phone calls, etc. Mark said, no, because that would be considered part of a volunteer's work. He expressed his feeling that as a member of AC he had supported CP over the years. He urged AC to accept the resolution, and took exception to Charles' characterization of volunteers as amateurs. Fred noted that Charles' business plan would give AC a place to start in developing CP.

Nel expressed her appreciation of the mention of the importance of volunteer work and noted the CSK task force as an example. She noted how well they work, all volunteers, and said that's how they got so successful. She said that if CP couldn't succeed on a volunteer basis, then maybe it is just not strong enough a project to thrive. She reminded us that SRRT doesn't have the money to do what the plan recommends right now. She also noted that the proposal to put CP directly under SRRT would require a change in the SRRT constitution. She expressed support of the resolution to leave CP as an AIP project.

Herb noted that SRRT gives a base for many activities, and that over it's history SRRT projects have come and gone. Look at GODORT and their publication. He said that CP, worthy as it is, is only one activity of SRRT's, and if it distracts us so much from all that needs doing in ALA, then it is a negative factor. He reminded AC that SRRT has never hired anybody to perform round table activities and he didn't think this was the place to start.

Sandy, mindful of time constraint, proposed that a sympathetic AC member move an alternate substitute motion that he had prepared.

MOTION, Al moved and Cici seconded Sandy's substitute motion:

-- SRRT relinquish all rights to CP and all authority over it;
-- SRRT ask ALA to similarly renounce any connection to CP;
-- SRRT treasurer forward any unexpended CP fund to new, independent editorial board, c/o Byron Anderson, acting chair;
-- SRRT permit the next two issues to be published under SRRT auspices these to be last so published.

Satia informed AC that the manner in which the SRRT newsletter is produced is fully described under the guidelines of the resolution proposed by Mark. All work should be done by volunteers. In response to Sandy's motion, Satia said that SRRT can decide to terminate the publication. SRRT would have to recommend to ALA the transfer.

Fred expressed his concern is that AC hasn't given any consideration to the business plan. He'd like to have rudimentary review and give the advisory board a chance to work things out.

Cici suggested that with the new motion AC had a chance to see if AC members wanted to resolve the matter now. Nel asked Sandy if he was proposing that SRRT would pay for the two issues, noting that SRRT has $400. Charles said there was $2000. Nel said she would clarify the figure, but noted that AC couldn't go over budget. Sandy said that whatever money is available should go to CP. Rory
asked that Charles speak to Sandy’s motion. Charles said that he was present as an observer and didn’t want to comment at the moment. Satia noted that she was present at AC’s request, informed AC that she had to leave, requested permission to go, and left.

Elaine expressed her sadness that the resolution to CP matters had taken such a drastic turn to leave SRRT. Sandy said he thought there was an unbridgeable impasse that won’t well serve anyone. He hoped CP would continue to publish, and said that it was not with any satisfaction that he put forward the motion. He did hope, however, that this move would offer CP a chance for a rebirth. Mark expressed his tremendous sadness and his belief that this was an unnecessary outcome, but if the motion expressed the will of the people involved then he thought AC would have to go with it.

Cici called the question.

Rory said that he couldn’t see what was wrong with Mark & Elaine’s resolution, and said AC could go with it. Kim said that she too was sad because there were so many questions, confusion, etc. It was unfortunate to end the matter this way, because it was not a satisfactory type of response to the problems AC has been trying to deal with.

Vote to call the question, yes 9, no abstentions.

Vote to vote on substitute motion; 8 yes, 2 no, 4 abstentions.

MOTION 6 yes, 3 no, 5 abstentions. MOTION CARRIED

[Above minutes submitted by Elaine Harger]

BUDGET

Nel passed around the revised CSK budget noting that the changes reflect travel, meals, and lodging. Fred raised the question of what travel money can be spent for. Barbara answered that CSK is starting a campaign to raise awareness of the award at meetings of other organizations eg. Michigan Reading Association. They have also been invited to attend a meeting of the Children’s Defense Fund.

Fred asked if the expenses would be for non-ALA functions. Barbara said yes, they would all be non-ALA events. Fred noted that he had met with Mary Ghikas about this matter and suggested that AC have a subcommittee to take an look at the request. Mark concurred.

MOTION, Al moved and Mark seconded approving CSK budget. MOTION PASSED

Nel continued, and suggested honoring Satia for her work with SRRT. She also reported that AC must revise the budget and noted that SRRT has enough funding for 2 more issues of the newsletter.

Fred said that if SRRT is now able to print more than 2 issues per year, it would be a tremendous support.

MOTION, Al moved and Rory seconded to go back to 4 issues of the newsletter per year. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Nel moved to adjourn. Barbara seconded. MOTION PASSED.

Newly elected members of AC are Nel Ward, Carol Barta and Peter Money.
Officers volunteering services Fred, to continue as AC Coordinator, Nel as AC Treasurer. No one has volunteered as secretary. Slate carried.

MOTION, Nel moved and Barbara seconded to adjourn. MOTION CARRIED.