Minutes – SAA Student Chapter Meeting – January 23, 2004 8:30 a.m.

8:30  Meeting was called to order by SAA member Marybeth Gaudette with 5 students present at the opening of the meeting.

8:35  Secretary Elia Van Lith arrives. Marybeth Gaudette introduces bylaws and describes requirements for membership in the student chapter (hereafter referred to as the Chapter) and affiliation with the national organization as well as the current precarious state of the Chapter.

8:42  Gaudette introduces a vote to read the bylaws at the committee. Those present decide to read the bylaws first and comment upon them at the next meeting.

8:43  Gaudette describes some of the provisions in the bylaws, explaining that although there are currently no dues collected by the Chapter there is a provision allowing for their collection at a later date. Also, the post of web master, although currently vacant, is detailed in the bylaws.

8:44  Gaudette proposes sponsoring or cosponsoring an event to commemorate the 50th anniversary of Brown vs. Board of Education.

8:45  Phil Bantin, Chapter faculty sponsor is introduced.

8:46  Guest speaker, Denis Shaburov – visiting scholar from the Russian State University for the Humanities – arrives to talk about the history and organizational structure of the Russian State Archives.

9:10  Phil Bantin talks about benefits of SAA membership and affiliation and proposes to coordinate presentation by a prominent archivist. Suggests other activities for the Chapter, including a social dinner and a possible movie night. Bantin also suggests that we look at what other student chapters throughout the country are doing to glean ideas. Some of the students in attendance propose getting speakers to talk about archives outreach and the Indiana State Archives. Prof. Bantin asks for students to send him their ideas via email.

9:25  Meeting was adjourned with 7 students in attendance and no announcement as to a future meeting date and time.

Submitted by Elia Van Lith, acting secretary.

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