

**Suncoast Information Specialists
Business Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, October 24, 2012**

Date/Time: Wednesday, Oct 24, 2012, 5:30-8:00 pm.

Location: Port Tampa City Library, Tampa, FL

Host: Andrew Breidenbaugh

Catering: Publix Deli

Attendance: 22

Minutes by: Megan O'Brien

Socializing and Networking

- 5:30 - 6:30pm Tour by Cathy Wos / Meet & Greet
- 6:30 - 7:00pm Dinner / Business Meeting / Elections
- 7:00 – 8:00pm Discussion on the subject of Library Informational Partnerships with Local Government: Day-to-Day and in Times of Crisis.

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Introduction

7:00pm – Round table introductions by SIS President Hal Harmon. Hal thanked the staff of Port Tampa City Library for hosting the meeting.

Old Business

Minutes

Minutes from the August 2012 meeting were approved by the membership.

Treasurer's report

By Betsy King, SIS Webmaster.

Our current balance is \$1,607.32, but that does not include the expenses from today's meeting. As of 10/24, SIS has 116 current members and 13 paid members for 2013.

Other

Bylaws Committee: By SIS VP/Pres. Elect Bill Harris.

Bill presented an update on the changes the Bylaws Committee has suggested.

Highlights of the changes made since August:

- Under *Executive Board*, added requirement board members must be full-paid members.
- Under *Elections*, change from 30 days' notice to 15 days.

The new modified Bylaws were approved by the membership.

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New Business

Election and Call for Officer Nominations: By SIS Nominating Committee Caroline Reed.

The following were voted to be 2013 SIS Board members.

President -- Bill Harris
Vice President/President Elect -- Megan Oliver
Secretary -- Alison Smith
Treasurer -- Jodi Geever
Director -- Ramsay Jones (2013), Alice Graves (2013-2014)

Congratulations to our newly elected Board for 2013.

Call for Newsletter Announcements: By SIS President Hal Harmon.

Please email Megan O'Brien (email information found on the SIS website) with announcements for the newsletter.

Announcements

Caroline Reed: New College / USF Sarasota-Manatee will be hosting their first International Games Day on November 3, 2012. This year's celebration of communities coming together to play at the library will take place on Saturday, November 3rd, and will include our traditional board game donation and national video game tournaments. For more information, please go the following link: <http://libguides.ncf.edu/LibEvents>.

Jessica Riggins: Introducing the brand new Library Training Platform, Florida Library Webinars. This site provides access to the new statewide training program featuring webinars on topics ranging from customer service to new technologies. Our training is free of charge for all staff working in Florida libraries. To access Florida Library Webinars, please go to the following link: <http://floridalibrarywebinars.org/>

Bill Harris: USF MLIS Alumni is proud to announce the upcoming Alice Smith Lecture in December. As more information is settled, everyone will be informed through the ALIS and SLIS List-Servs.

Closing

The meeting was closed at 7:45pm. Program ended at 8:00pm.

Program

SIS is proud to present speaker Andrew Breidenbaugh, Chief Librarian in the Tampa- Hillsborough Public Library System, and his subject of 'Library Informational Partnerships with Local Government: Day-to-Day and in Times of Crisis.' Andrew spoke of the hardships his staff faces every day answering calls for the county government and the difficulties they had creating such a unique partnership, one of which has never been done before.