

Suncoast Information Specialists

Meeting Minutes

Monday, October 11, 2010

The October meeting and program of the Florida Suncoast Information Specialists was held on Monday, October 11, 2010 at Jan Kaminis Platt Regional Library in South Tampa. A total of approximately 24 members and guests were in attendance. The evening began with informal networking at 5:30 p.m. in the library's community meeting room.

Welcome and Introductions

SIS Vice President and President-Elect Hal Harmon began the meeting at 5:30 p.m. and welcomed the group. Sandwiches were catered by Shiller's German Deli of Tampa.

Minutes

The August 7, 2010 minutes were moved by Webmaster Betsy King, were seconded and accepted.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Joan Sadlowski reported SIS had \$757.15 in the bank as of October 11, 2010.

Announcements / New Business

- Bill Harris, President of the Student Chapter of the ALA, announced that a Panel Discussion on the job skills required for new librarians would be held on October 13 at the Marshall Center, Room 3707, USF. Jacqueline Rose (Polk County Senior Coordinator of Library Media Services), Jessica Riggins (Immediate Past President SIS), Susan Oliver (Chief Librarian Tampa-Hillsborough Public Library), and Susan Ariew (USF Tampa Campus Librarian).
- Linda Garrison from Canterbury School of Florida announced that her school had received an \$11,000 grant from the school's Foundation committee for library materials, author visits, furniture and various other items.
- SIS welcomed new member Stephanie Henderson.
- USF has put forth a proposal to change the name of their program to USF School of Information.
- Information on the SIS Holiday Party will be announced soon.
- Betsy King and Alicia Ellison are continuing to work on finding a good discussion list.

Elections

Past President, Jessica Riggins announced the slate of SIS Officers for 2011. The membership approved the 2011 Officers.

- President - Hal Harmon
- Vice-President / President-Elect - Barbara Wiesenberg
- Secretary - Robert Brammer

- Treasurer - Judith Cole
- Newsletter Editor - Megan O'Brien

Program

At 7:05 p.m. SIS President Christa Fowler introduced speaker *Drew Smith, MLS, Assistant Professor and Information Literacy Librarian at the USF, Tampa*. Professor Smith is President of the *Florida Geneological Society*. Professor Smith discussed his topic, "Using Social Networking Tools to Promote Genealogy and Local History Collections and to Instruct Researchers in Their Use," which he presented at the IFLA Annual Conference, Genealogy and Local History Open Session held this past August 11, 2010, in Gothenburg, Sweden. The meeting concluded at approximately 8:10 p.m.

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Barbara Wiesenberg and Linda Garrison
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