

CALA Meeting

May 24, 2007

6:30 p.m. - Columbus Public Library

The meeting was called to order by Wanda Edwards, President Elect, with 17 in attendance.

Treasurer Mike Shadix explained a new checking account was opened with new signature cards. In terms of the treasury, \$1040 was available at the beginning of the quarter, there were expenses associated with the Libra Award, and the balance at the end of April was \$584.56.

Charmette Kendricks asked for ideas for the next newsletter including the library spotlight feature and library events. Callie McGinnis suggested the CSU Libraries' Archives. Events mentioned included the Summer Reading program at Ft. Benning, Donovan Library's 100th anniversary, the completion of construction at Sayers, genealogy classes at CPL, and Northside High's library and other public school libraries' summer hours.

Sonya Boyd graciously thanked CALA for giving her the 2007 Libra Award.

Carole Burke proposed we provide book plates on the children's books and the Publicity Committee should create them. This proposal was accepted by a verbal vote. In addition a short discussion about the age range targeted for the books resulted in a recommendation of pre-K through 6th grade.

In order to increase the amount of time for the Libra Award activities, Stephanie Middleton suggested shifting many of the tasks to the fall such as solicitation of candidates, voting by the membership, etc.

Kathy mentioned the Relay for Life and suggested CALA might have a team.

Other library-related activities announced were

- *Callie: Georgia Library Association at Jekyll Island, October 16-19 and proposals due May 31 (Callie suggested GLA add the CALA website link),
- *Erika: application submitted by Ft. Benning to host the Army Library Training Institute in April 2009, and

Linda Schotz was the winner of the drawing. The prize was a book entitled The Boy Who Was Raised by Librarians.

Camille Walkinshaw and Erika Loze summarized the responses to an earlier library survey. Among the conclusions were 9 out of 10 respondents visited bookstores after

working all day and 9 out of 10 looked for public libraries while on vacation. The results will be posted on the CALA website.

The meeting adjourned about 7.10 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Carole R. Burke May 25, 2007