



GLA HUBBARD SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING NOTES

GLA WINTER PLANNING MEETING

FEBRUARY 4, 2005

Members present: Elizabeth Bagley (new Chair), Susan Kendall (past Chair), Harriet Kersey, Rhonda Lane, Ann Mallard, Dewi Wilson, Tim Wojcik

Liz Bagley and Susan Kendall welcomed returning members and reported on past activities of the committee for incoming members. The committee is charged with administration of the Hubbard Scholarship (and the anticipated future Charles Beard Scholarship, towards which funds were raised at the COMO 2004 Raffle in Athens). The committee coordinates publicity, reviews applications, selects scholarship winners, and awards the funds annually. The committee reviews selection criteria and recommends changes in policy, procedures, amount of grants, number of grants, etc, to the GLA Executive Board. The committee also acknowledges gifts to the Scholarship fund.

Liz's first duty as new Chair will be to make sure the contact name and address for applications is changed on the GLA website. May 1 is the application deadline, and Liz will call a committee meeting to review the applications and select a winner around mid-May in Atlanta. Anyone who cannot attend can be faxed or mailed copies of the applications along with the evaluation sheet through which to give input to the rest of the committee.

Before our May meeting, Liz will contact the GLA Executive Board to determine where things stand on the establishment of a Charles Beard Scholarship.

It was noted that Valdosta State University MLIS students may apply for the Hubbard Scholarship. VSU's program is BOR approved and is in the ALA pipeline. VSU expects to be reviewed by ALA in Spring 2007. As you encounter people who might make good scholarship candidates, keep in mind that they must be either accepted into library school or already attending. Winners sign a contract that is notarized, pledging to work in a Georgia library for a year after completion of the degree. Otherwise, they must

repay the awarded funds. Also, the winner is honored at COMO, so their conference registration and travel expenses are covered by GLA. Other details about applying are on the GLA website.

Dewi Wilson raised a good question that Liz will ask the GLA Executive Board. What happens if we have an excellent scholarship candidate who is eligible for tuition remission or reimbursement? If the committee selected them as winner, would we prorate payments at less than the normal \$3000 awarded over 4 payments?

At the next meeting we will also start planning in earnest for the October Scholarship Raffle at COMO 2005 in Columbus. Committee members are urged to bring two items for the raffle, and it's never too early to look for treasures. Photographs, goody-filled baskets, items with Georgia tie-ins, or things from the entertainment industry are always popular. Rhonda Lane graciously agreed to be the vendor contact again for 2005. We hope Carol Stanley will be able to once again receive any items donated by vendors. Harriet Kersey saved the clear plastic buckets into which tickets were dropped last year, so we will reuse those.

Liz will email last year's committee members who were not present today to determine their interest in helping select a winner or staffing the raffle booth at COMO. She will also research library school student list servs where we might promote the scholarship. Lastly, she will ask for official program space for the raffle drawing at COMO.

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