

**Association of Christian Librarians  
Liberal Arts Section  
2007 Management Team Meeting**

**Thursday, June 14, 2007**

Present: Steve Baker, Lori Thornton, Charles Diede, Brent Etzel, Rodney Birch, Lindsay Van Sicklen, Jennifer Walz

Absent: Paul Nixon.

**Mentoring program**

The meeting began with a discussion of what needed to be accomplished to maintain and develop the LAS mentoring program. Lindsay Van Sicklen said that we needed to stress to program participants that they maintain regular communication efforts. She said that we should stress maintaining telephone contacts between mentors and mentees.

Steve Baker reported that we need to provide a report to the ACL Board about the mentoring program before their October 2007 meeting, so that the program can be approved for another year.

Lindsay stated a desire to promote an ACL-wide mentoring program, with each section of ACL having its own program coordinators.

**Acknowledgement of past service**

Steve Baker thanked Ruth Kinnersley for her service to the LAS management team. Her term expired during this annual meeting.

**LAS agenda for 2007-08**

The management team discussed plans for the 2008 LAS Annual Meeting. Jennifer Walz expressed a desire to have a structured meeting agenda focused on a particular topic. Steve Baker suggested hosting another "Nuts & Bolts" discussion, with an individual designated with facilitating the discussion and introducing relevant topics.

Steve Baker expressed a need for the Liberal Arts Section to update its clearinghouse of information. Lori Thornton reported that the ACL Bible College Section had recently completed a similar project. Charles Diede, Rodney Birch, and Steve Baker volunteered to work on this project.

**LAS-sponsored activities at the ACL Annual Conference**

Steve Baker proposed that the LAS sponsor some additional component of the ACL Annual Conference. Lindsay Van Sicklen stated that in the past, the Liberal Arts Section would seek to sponsor a conference presentation that had already been proposed by an ACL member. There was general agreement that the management team could identify a topic that it wished would be discussed at the ACL Annual Conference, and that it would seek individuals to submit presentation proposals that could be selected for the LAS sponsorship.

**Assignment of LAS responsibilities**

The management team agreed to ask Paul Nixon to serve as the elections coordinator for the 2008 LAS Annual Meeting.

Brent Etzel volunteered to serve as the LAS website coordinator.

Lori Thornton volunteered to serve as the revision coordinator for the LAS Manual. Brent Etzel agreed to give her a copy of the document for editing.

**Future meetings**

The management team agreed to meet on the Sunday preceding the 2008 ACL Annual Conference at Eastern Nazarene University. Steve Baker stated that he would contact Alice Ruleman (ACL Board) to learn if funds were available to provide housing for the additional night that LAS management team members would be required for such a meeting.

**Adjournment**

Submitted August 1, 2007 by Brent Etzel, Secretary.