

Legal Information Preservation Alliance

Meeting Notes

July 16, 2007

The membership meeting of the Legal Information Preservation Alliance was held in New Orleans in conjunction with the American Association of Law Libraries meeting.

Janis Johnston, Chair, welcomed the group and called the meeting to order.

Bob Oakley gave a treasurer's report.

Janis introduced new Executive Director James Rubottom. He will spend the next few weeks developing his agenda. He plans to work on a newsletter. He will post his bio on the listserv.

Janis discussed our incorporating in Illinois and the tax-exempt status.

She thanked Terry Martin for running the election and introduced new board members Margaret Leary and Kathleen Vanden Heuvel.

Janis thanked outgoing board members Judith Wright and Bob Oakley.

Kent reported on the book retention project.

Paul reported on problems dealing with OCLC and obtaining any information on pricing from them. Margie Maes and the Digital Archives Subcommittee are developing priorities for what to preserve and are narrowing their focus to state legal materials.

Upcoming issues for the year: future work on the Chesapeake project; whether to pursue OCLC or other avenues such as LOCKSS; continued discussion on what to preserve. Someone raised the question of why we expect the ivory towers (Harvard, Yale) to do the preserving. Should there be varied preservation routes for different kinds of materials?

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