



MINUTES

The spring meeting was held at the Museum of History and Science at Corpus Christi, Texas. Coffee and croissants were available from 10 a.m., and at 11 a.m. the presentations began:

- Michelle Arevalo, a former student of Jacki Thomas, at Texas A&M Kingsville, who spoke on "How to obtain the prestigious national Gillman Scholarship and what to do with it."
- Anne Hilmy, W.B. Rau High School, Corpus Christi, "How to organize a poetry recitation contest (with help from Alliance française)".
- Jacki Thomas: "What TV5 can do for you".
- Don Zeris, Museum of History and Science: "La Salle and his legacy in Texas."
- Janet Lumley, Miller High School, Corpus Christi, and Jacki Thomas, University of A&M Kingsville: "Undergraduates teach French to 4th and 5th graders at an AATF-sponsored summer camp."
- Stella Behar, University of Texas Pan Am: "Oulipo: jeux et écritures, la postmodernité à l'aide de la production de textes pour écrivains en herbe".

The attending members were Heather Alonso, Stephanie Brown, Dayna Chimelski, Gus Clark, Rosemary Clark, Betty Clough, Helen Guillory, Anne Hilmy, Janet Lumley, Joel Mayer, Andrea McCullough, Rita McKee, Sarah Morlang, Leilani Nunley, and Jacki Thomas. Three members of the South Texas Chapter also participated: Mary Ricciardi, Stella Behar, and Kenny Montgommery. The absence of outgoing President Charlette Beillon was noted by Helen Guillory, who read a statement from Mme Beillon giving her reasons for her absence, which all participants regretted..

Business Meeting

A. Old Business. The Vice-President, Joël Mayer presided. Helen Guillory gave the secretary's and treasurer's reports. The balance in the account was approximately \$2,000 (report attached), including the expenses for lunch. She suggested that the budget could absorb a \$250 award for the person who would represent the chapter at the Milwaukee conference in July. Her motion towards the same was tabled for the opening of New Business. Jacki Thomas gave the Regional Representative's report, and called on others, such as Stella Behar, *inter alia*, to give reports on their activities for the group's enlightenment.

B. New Business. Janet Lumley moved that the chapter allocate \$400 for 2 people as a scholarship to the Milwaukee AATF convention July 4-8. The motion was seconded. During discussion, the motion was amended to mention that the recipients would be Rosemary Clark and Andrea McCullough, to divide the \$400. The motion passed unanimously. Stephanie Brown moved that the chapter buy a domain name, and to authorize Joel Mayer to spend up to \$100 in securing a five-year term for the domain name. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

C. Elections. By acclamation, Janet Lumley was elected President, and Andrea McCullough was elected Vice-President. Helen Guillory will serve another year in office, to bring the requisite staggered terms back into practice.

D. Betty Clough asked for volunteers to help her evaluate web sites for French teaching at the Babillard of the frenchteachers.org, the web site of the AATF. Stephanie Brown volunteered.

E. Jacki Thomas distributed door prizes, by pulling names from a hat.

The meeting was adjourned at 4 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen Gant Guillory
Secretary/Treasurer