# MINUTES OF THE FALL TELECONFERENCE OF THE TACLS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

October 9, 2001

Attending: Duncan Samo, President

John Wentz, President-elect Judy Baughman, Past-president

Joan Aldrich, Secretary Candace Schaper, Treasurer Becky See, Board Member Vicki Freeman, Board Member Christie Thompson, Board Member

Guest: Sandra Cabrera, Membership Chair

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 p.m. on October 9, 2001 by President Samo.

### Minutes of the last meeting:

Since the minutes of the summer meeting of the Board of Directors had not been distributed, discussion and approval were deferred until the winter meeting of the Board.

# Presidential appointments:

Vicki Freeman has been appointed to fill out to term of John Wentz on the Board of Directors due to John's being elected to the Board position President-elect.

All attempts so far to contact Board member Leah Thompson have failed. Vicki Freeman will attempt to contact her through her work to determine whether she will be able to fulfill her responsibilities on the Board of Directors. A web address (LHWTHOMP3@AOL.COM) was suggested as an alternate method of contact.

Shirlyn MacKenzie, Director of ASCLS Region VII, has requested an appointee from TACLS to a Region VII Leadership Development Committee that is chaired by Martha Lake. The duties will include identification and mentoring of future leaders, identifying nominees for awards, and assisting in regional development. The Board recommended Karen Chandler for the appointment; Duncan will contact her to determine her willingness to serve. A suggestion was made that this appointment be added to the TACLS SOP as an Advisory Board position.

#### Officers' Reports:

President: The TACLS interim report to Region VII was submitted on time.

The membership of the Advisory Board is being updated.

President-elect: As co-chair of the up-coming TACLS Spring Meeting, the following

progress was reported:

The meeting will be Mon through Wed, April 8 - 10, 2002.

A contract has been signed with the Arlington Hilton Hotel. Most committee chairmanships have been filled.

Secretary: No report.

Treasurer: Current balances are \$7452.64 in the checking account

15,051.99 in the money market account

67,741.05 in the 13-month CD 13,290.65 in the 6-month CD

40,958.48 in an additional CD that matured in Sept.

The Board of Directors recommends rolling the two largest CD's into a

single CD if that would make the interest rate advantageous.

District allotment checks have been sent to active TACLS Districts.

Board Members: Becky See: No report.

Vicki Freeman: No report. Christie Thompson: No report.

## **Committee Reports**

Becky See - Commission on District and State Affairs No report

Sandra Cabrera - Chair of Membership Committee

An updated membership list has just been received from ASCLS TACLS has 347 members (including 74 student members).
414 members (including 160 student members) have lapsed since last year.

Sandra requests a copy of the Excel File which contains the email addresses of TACLS members that Joan Aldrich obtained from the ASCLS office.

Karen McClure - Commission on Education No report

John Wentz - Co-chair of the 2002 TACLS Convention (see above under president-elect's report)

Joan Aldrich - Bylaws Chair No report

Vicki Freeman - Commission on Public Relations

Vicki is gathering information from CLS/CLT educational programs for the TACLS web page.

Vicki requests help in marketing the web page to advertisers. An information packet for advertisers will be prepared, and Debbie Faubion will be asked to help distribute it.

### Region VII Director's Report

In Shirlyn MacKenzie's absence, no report was given.

### Old Business

The Texas Resolution from the 2001 ASCLS Annual Meeting was discussed at the summer meeting of the ASCLS Board of Directors. TACLS will monitor its progress and be prepared to re-introduce it at the 2002 ASCLS Annual Meeting.

Joan Aldrich suggested preparation of an additional Texas Resolution to be presented to the 2002 ASCLS Annual Meeting which would modify the Standing Rules of the House of Delegates to grant first opportunity for debate to the sponsor of a motion..

### **New Business**

Response to Duncan Samo's query regarding whether to reschedule the fall Continuing Education teleconference and substitute a teleconference on Bioterrorism: The consensus was to retain the previously scheduled talk on Toxic Molds by Jim Harris that is scheduled for November 13, 2001.

A charge of \$.25 per minute has been locked in for this year's Board of Directors' Conference calls.

The Winter Board meeting will be Saturday, Feb 9<sup>th</sup> in Corpus Christi from 10:30 til 4:00.

Candy Schaper reported that AOL is not supporting email attachments.

ASCLS is selling 2002 Calendars to support the Children's Miracle Network at \$10 each. They can be viewed at ASCLS.org/calendars. Individuals or groups can order a bunch of calendars and then return the unsold ones.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30.

Minutes are submitted by Joan Aldrich, Secretary