

**South Central Unicorn Users Group
Annual Business Meeting
November 21, 2008
Lubbock, Texas**

The seventh annual business meeting of the South Central Unicorn Users Group was called to order by President Elizabeth Norman at 8:30 AM Friday, November 21, 2008 at the Holiday Inn and Towers in Lubbock, Texas.

President Elizabeth Norman welcomed the assembly to Lubbock, Texas. The program began with drawings for three (book) door prizes, with the winners being Patricia Quintero, Odessa College, Mark McCallon- Abilene Christian, and Rick Thomas, Abilene Library Consortium.

President Norman asked Secretary Penny Reynolds to distribute copies of the minutes from the 2007 annual business meeting. Elizabeth advised that the minutes were posted on the SCUUG website. With no objections to the minutes as written, motion was made to approve the minutes.

The Treasurer's report was provided to each participant. Treasurer Tracy Holtman advised the accounts payable figure cited on the report is the current estimate for this November 21, 2008 conference. The Expense figure included the charges for the SCUUG domain name, web page, Pay Pal, and the conference expenses.

With no "old business" to discuss, President Norman discussed the name change for SCUUG. With the recent merger of CODI and UUGI, a name change is necessary. Members of the Futures Committee will be responsible for creating the proposed name change. The Futures Committee is also charged with encouraging future attendance of Horizon users. Although Horizon users were invited to this conference, none are currently in attendance.

The members of the Futures Committee for 2008-09 are:

Elizabeth Norman-Hardin Simmons University, Immediate Past President and Chair
Don Dowdy-Sul Ross State University, Current President
Virginia Allan-Lamar University, current Vice-President-President Elect
Merry Bortz-Del Mar College
Sally Hawkes-Arkansas State Library

Merry Bortz, Member-at-Large-UUGI Executive Board, reported on the CODI-UUGI conference and merger. The Joint Conference of CODI and UUGI will be held in Dallas, Texas at the Sheraton from April 6-8 with pre-conferences on April 5. This is the first year where the user groups are responsible for the conference, while SirsiDynix has provided funds for deposits required to secure the conference site and conference planner contract.

UUGI and CODI representatives have been meeting during the past year to devise a merger plan. The groups have developed a plan which went out to the members for comment in October 2008. Some adjustments were made based on comments received from members. After being endorsed by the executive boards of both CODI and UUGI, the merger plan, articles

of incorporation and new organization bylaws are currently being voted on by the members of each organization. To gain approval, two-thirds of the member institutions need to vote in favor of the merger. If your institution is a paid member, please make sure that the designated voting representative for your institution casts a vote.

The new name for the organization will be COSUGI, Customers of SirsiDynix Users Group, Inc. I am told that in Japanese, COSUGI means "little cedar". It is likely that a cedar tree will be incorporated into the logo. The new organization is slated to be in place for June 1, 2009.

In regards to Regional Users Groups, there will be no pressure from COSUGI for RUGs to consolidate. CODI's practice has been that, "state names serve as geographic placement and are neither inclusive nor exclusive." That practice will continue with COSUGI, so there is no restriction on more than one RUG existing in the same area. RUGs that choose to merge are welcome to do so.

The COSUGI conference for 2010 will be held in Orlando, Florida

President Norman reported on the absence of our Vice President/President Elect Mr. Ed. Veal. With no activity with the organization or contact from Mr. Veal since September, President Norman made a motion to accept his absence as his resignation of his position. As there were no objections, his resignation was accepted.

Attendees were then presented with an officer election ballot for Vice President and President. Virginia Allen, Library System Coordinator, Lamar University and Don Dowdy, Dean of Library and Information Technologies, Sul Ross University were listed as nominees. With no nominations from the floor and no write-in candidates, attendees voted and nominated Virginia Allen as Vice President and Don Dowdy as President.

Volunteers were requested to fill two vacancies on the Futures Committee. Virginia Allen and Don Dowdy volunteered for these positions.

President Norman recognized presenters and moderators Merry Bortz and Virginia Allen with a gift for each. A gift was also presented to out-going President Norman. President Norman transferred the "lost" gavel to Don Dowdy.

Attendees were advised the next SCUUG meeting will be held in Beaumont, Texas, in October 2009.

This meeting was adjourned at 9:55 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Penny Reynolds
Secretary