## SEAALL Executive Board Meeting Knoxville, TN April 4, 2014

Attendees: Pamela Melton, Fran Norton, Caroline Osborne, Ed Hart, Christine Sellers, Kimberly Hocking, Lisa Williams, Carolyn Scott, Melanie DuBard, Nichelle Perry, Nick Sexton

The meeting began at 5:00 p.m.

Pamela called the meeting to order and asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the last board meeting on July 14, 2013. Fran made such motion and Christine seconded. All voted aye and the minutes were approved.

The newly elected officers were introduced: Caroline Osborne as Vice President/President-Elect, Nichelle Perry as Secretary, and Melanie DuBard as Member-at-Large.

A print version of Kate Irwin-Smiler's Treasurer's report was passed out. Kate was at the AALL Leadership Academy and could not attend SEAALL's annual meeting. There were no questions about report. In other finance-related news, SEAALL has filed its taxes and is in compliance.

It was noted that committee reports would be given at the SEAALL business meet on April 5, 2014.

We discussed future meeting locations. For 2016, Ed Hart proposed a joint SEAALL-SWALL meeting in Dallas (tentative dates: April 7-9, 2016). Hotels in Dallas would be in the \$150 range. Both hotels under consideration had steep minimums, but SEAALL should be able to keep registration around \$200. SWALL is on board for this joint meeting, and any profit could be split between the chapters. SWALL will be doing local arrangements, but it does not do an Institute. The question was whether SEAALL should plan the Institute. Regarding the date of this meeting, the handbook provides for late March or early April meetings, and it was noted that we have had them in late April. We do not want to compete with National Library week, which is April 10-16. May need to fine tune the date. It was agreed that this location would be presented to the membership.

Kim Hocking and Lisa Williams proposed that the 2017 SEAALL meeting should take place in Raleigh, NC. They pointed out that, along with the other law schools close to Raleigh (such as UNC, NCCU, and Duke), Campbell Law has moved to Raleigh as well. They have not yet approached hotels for group rates, but they said that Raleigh has good transportation and lots of restaurants for the dine-arounds. Campbell Law will likely be within easy walking distance of the hotel, so the Institute could be held there.

Campbell will take the lead on this meeting. None of the board members had questions about this proposal.

- Service to SEAALL Award Winner. Pamela said the winner was attending SEAALL in Knoxville and that she (Pamela) has the award plaque. The plaque will be awarded at the Board Meeting.
- Lifetime Membership Presentation. The lifetime membership will go to Nancy Johnson. Nancy did not attend SEAALL in Knoxville, but it would be presented in absentia.
- Chapter VIP. The question was asked whether we want to invite someone to San Antonio? It was suggested that we not invite someone this year.
- Old Business. Pamela presented a gift to Ed, the outgoing president. Pamela announced that, thanks largely to the work of Carol Watson, the Handbook is finished.
- New Business. Pamela asked if we want to present to the membership at the business meeting consideration of the resolution in support of UELMA? Board decided that we did not need a formal vote of the membership to do this.

Gary Yessin was unable to attend SEAALL. The question was whether he could get a refund of his registration since he had lost his job. It was decided that Kate should send the refund.

AALL Grant to Attend AALL. The candidates for this grant are Jonathan Rountree and Carolyn Hamilton. The board leaned toward giving the grant to Jonathan. It was decided that if Jonathan did not get another grant to attend, that SEAALL would give him the grant.

Pamela asked if we want to have a SEAALL table at CONELL this year. It was decided that the Membership Committee would handle it.

The question was whether SEAALL should provide an additional donation to the local Knoxville charity, Dolly Parton's Imagination Library. Christine presented the motion to give \$1,000 to it; Ed seconded. It was noted that the law school quilt sold for \$250.

Handbook Editor. Pamela suggested that if Carol Watson was amenable to it that she be made editor of the Handbook. However, if Carol did not want the job, Pamela said that she could do it.

The Board discussed whether to consolidate its archives, which currently are in Richmond and Atlanta. Sally Wambold at the University of Richmond volunteered to do the archive work. Pamela will talk to Sally and Sarah Mauldin about combining the

archives. There is also the issue of archiving old SEAALL program websites. The recommendation was that we keep old program information for about two years.

At 5:51 pm Christine moved that we adjourn. Fran seconded.

Respectfully submitted, Nichelle Perry SEAALL Secretary