Pamela Melton called the meeting to order at 5:50 p.m. Pamela asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the last business meeting, held in Decatur, Georgia, on April 20, 2013. Ismael Gullon made the motion, and it was seconded. All voted aye and the minutes from the April business meeting were approved.

Pamela asked those in attendance if anyone had knowledge of SEAALL ever having a strategic plan. No one did. She pointed out that this was one of the recommendations at a workshop she attended for nonprofits. Pamela said that SEAALL has a general aim of educating its membership, and that she would look into the issue of SEAALL having a strategic plan.

Treasurer Kate Irwin-Smiler submitted a report that showed that SEAALL had an opening working balance of $34,690.64, and after income and expenses the chapter’s total assets are now $33,550.87. Ed Hart added that SEAALL did not lose money on its Decatur meeting.

Pamela then asked the committee chairs to give their reports.

Fran Norton, chair of the 2014 Program Committee, reported that the theme for the 2014 meeting will be transitioning from one type of law librarianship or one type of position to another. Pamela suggested that members consider proposing programs for both SEAALL and AALL.

Scott Childs, speaking on behalf of the Local Arrangements Committee, said that everyone in Knoxville was looking forward to hosting SEAALL there, and that they had found hotels with reasonable rates.

Pamela informed everyone that our SEAALL VIP, Jim Lehmann, had returned to South Carolina. She said that the program in which he spoke was an interesting one, and that it was unusual for a managing partner of a law firm to appear at AALL’s annual conference.

Pamela gave the report for the Community Services Committee. The committee is having a T-shirt quilt made by Shawn Friend. The quilt will be auctioned off to raise funds for a local charity, which has not yet been determined. Donations of law school and law firm T-shirts for the quilt were encouraged.

Sarah Mauldin reported on the Decatur meeting. She said that it was a very good meeting and that the DeKalb County Public Library was very thankful for the financial help SEAALL gave them.
Thomas Striepe, chair of the Education and Publications Committee, said that ideas from the membership are welcome.

Ryan Valentin gave the report for the Membership Committee. SEAALL added 62 new members between July 2012 and June 2013, for a total membership of 643. The third annual SEAALLSUCKER took place after the business meeting, and the hope is that it will continue to be an annual tradition for the conference. A SEAALL table was hosted at the CONELL marketplace and the AALL exhibit hall. Giveaways at the table included pens, Post-Its, candy, and a beverage coaster with the SEAALL magnolia and year of the chapter’s establishment pressed into it.

The Placement Committee sent a report that said it continues to post vacancies on the SEAALL website and it offered its thanks to webmasters Tina Brooks and Sharon Bradley. Since the meeting in April, four new positions have been posted.

Heather Casey, chair of the Newsletter and Public Relations Committee, had nothing new to report.

Scott Childs, chair of the Nominations Committee, had nothing new to report.

Louis Rosen gave the report for the Scholarship Committee. Louis informed everyone that almost $13,000 in scholarships has been awarded.

Pamela said that Beth Williams, the chair of the Government Relations Committee, had nothing new to report.

Pamela acknowledged the work done by webmasters, Tina Brooks and Sharon Bradley, and thanked them for agreeing to continue.

There was a motion to adjourn, which was seconded. All voted aye. The meeting ended at 6:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Nick Sexton
SEAALL Secretary