

The regular monthly meeting of the LAPA General Assembly was held on Wednesday, December 13, 2006 at 10:36 AM in Siderooms A & B of the Otowi Cafeteria. LAPA President Jason Stairs was the presiding officer. The agenda was adopted without changes, and the minutes from the Biannual meeting (11/8/06), which had been posted on the LAPA webpage, were approved without corrections.

Officer reports were given by the Secretary (Chandra Savage Marsden) and the Treasurer (Laura Stonehill). In addition, the President reported that the informal social event bulletin boards will be on the LAPA webpage soon. Committee reports were given by Melissa Lucero (acting chair, Policy Committee), Joseph Hickey (chair, Career Committee), Rod Fry (chair, Communications Committee), and Jason Stairs (member, Conversion Committee). During the report from the career committee, it was decided to create bulletin boards for job postings. The Communications Committee was tasked with collecting emails from new members at the socials.

The Treasurer presented the proposed set of Financial Standing Rules, which had been previously emailed to the General Assembly. There was some discussion about various forms of approval and who made up the Executive Committee. After the discussion, Rules 3 and 4 were amended such that any mention of "Executive Committee" was changed to "Treasurer and two other elected officers". The amended Standing Rules were approved by a voice vote.

Several items of New Business were discussed, including rescheduling Director Anastasio's talk. In response to the Standing Rules discussion, it was suggested that the bylaws be amended to clarify the difference between the Executive Committee as defined in the bylaws (the elected officers plus the committee chairs) and the four elected officers. The amendment was submitted to the Policy Committee for further study. The Policy Committee was also directed to determine how excused absences of voting members should affect the quorum requirements.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:39 AM.