Present at the meeting were Eric Armstrong (EA), Deena Burke (DB), Kate Burke (KB), Rena Cook (RC), Rocco Dal Vera (RDV), Kate Devore (KD), Micha Espinosa (ME), Craig Ferre (CF), Marlene Johnson (MJ), Paul Meier (PM), Christine Morris (CM), Mandy Rees (MR), Janet Rodgers (JR), Dorothy Runk Mennen (DRM), Karen Ryker (KR), Phil Thompson (PT), Kate Ufema (KU), and Lisa Wilson (LW).

Sunday, August 5
9:20 A.M. Meeting called to order.

The board welcomed new member, Kate Devore.

JR MOVED THE APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 18 & 19TH 2000 MEETING. KB SECONDED.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

LW made a preliminary report on the budget. LW drew our attention particularly to two points: Although the budget anticipated a loss for last year’s conference, this did not, in fact, occur. Costs for the Journal are at 200% of projections.

KU MOVED ACCEPTANCE OF THE BUDGET REPORT. DRM SECONDED.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

RDV gave his report on the Voice & Speech Review. He discussed our distribution contract with Applause Books. In this arrangement, VASTA receives 60% of gross sales income. Applause insisted on some changes: thicker, whiter paper and glossy covers. He also clarified that our journal is more properly termed a *serialized monograph*. This indicates its status as a book rather than a smaller journal or magazine.

RDV restated our policy for journal eligibility: Members in good standing as of August 14th of a given year will receive that year’s journal. Those joining or renewing a lapsed membership will receive the following year’s journal.

Further discussion of the costs of the Voice & Speech Review led to a discussion of potential grants and a written report from Doug Edelson (DE), a grant writer.

MR MOVED THAT VASTA IMMEDIATELY PURSUE GRANT APPLICATIONS PROPOSED BY KU AND DE. KR SECONDED.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

LW having announced that she would be stepping down as Treasurer in December, CF was asked to take over the position. He agreed.

The related discussion of duties of the position led to the following motion:

JR MOVED THAT VASTA INCLUDE THE NEXT DIRECTORY IN THE FALL NEWSLETTER. DB SECONDED.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

CF gave his report on the Newsletter. He welcomed PM to the position of Newsletter Editor and CM to the position of Associate Newsletter Editor. In consultation with the board PM determined that the two, yearly publications of the newsletter will be mailed on November 15th and March 15th. The deadline for submissions is two months prior to the mailing date (i.e. 9/15 and 1/15)

DB reported on the mentorship program. After some discussion, it was determined that information on willingness to mentor would be included in the professional index. Members looking for mentors will contact DB in order to be set up with a mentor.

KR distributed a report on her work on the VASTA Promotion & Tenure Guidelines. Comments were given and KR continues her work on the document.

KB distributed a report from Barry Kur as Advocacy Coordinator.

KU reported on the ATHE focus group meeting.

ME gave a membership report. Membership is up slightly, very likely due to the new “reminder letters.” There was some discussion of “pay pal” as a method of receiving fees from overseas members.

MR MOVED ADJOURNMENT. DB SECONDED

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fession be reflected in the eclecticism and variety of the journal contents.

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THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

For the first time, this year, Board Members and Officers held a wrap up session after the conference concluded. We discussed ways to speed up the registration process. We also discussed further the notion of a “poster session.” We discussed possible presenters and themes for our 2002 conference.

MJ distributed an initial report on “Voice/ Movement Integration”

KD MOVED ADJOURNMENT. DB SECONDED
THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

submitted by Eric Armstrong, VASTA Director of Internet Services.

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