Society of American Archivists Science, Technology & Health Care Roundtable Annual Meeting Minutes Hilton Hotel, Austin, TX August 12, 2009

This meeting was dedicated to John Zwicky, long-time member of and advocate for STHC. John died in March following a lengthy battle with cancer.

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 5:35pm.
- 2. **Welcome** by STHC Co-Chair Tim Pennycuff; self-introductions by attendees. There were 35 members in attendance.
- 3. **John Zwicky Memorial** Janice Golden read several remembrances contributed by colleagues of John Zwicky, former STHC Steering Committee member, who died in March.
- 4. **Approval of minutes of meeting of August 27, 2008** Joe Anderson moved the minutes be accepted; Ewa Basinska seconded. Approved by voice vote.
- 5. **SAA Council Representative** Rebecca Hankins reported on SAA Council actions over the previous year. She suggested that STHC approach Council to make a formal resolution noting John Zwicky's passing. Tom Frusciano is our new Council liaison.
- 6. **SAA 2010 Program Committee Representative** Richard Marciano noted that program proposals must be received by the Committee by Sept. 24. Roundtables have until Oct 15 to endorse up to two proposals.

7. Old Business

- A. Archival Elements Ewa Basinska spoke on new design and format of the newsletter. Elizabeth Phillips is new editor. Pennycuff thanked Ewa for her nine years of service as newsletter editor and asked for a round of applause.
- B. STHC Listserv Pennycuff noted that the listserv host was moved from UCLA to SAA on Nov. 1. There are currently 179 subscribers. Messages from the old listserv are still accessible via a link on the STHC website.
- C. STHC Website Pennycuff spoke in absence of Rose Roberto, our webmaster. Meeting agenda was posted on the website in advance. No major changes to the website in the past year.

- D. STHC Membership & Activities Pennycuff reported that there were 174 roundtable members, though the fact that this number is smaller than the listserv subscribers indicates there is broader interest in the topic among archivists. STHC endorsed two program proposals for the 2009 meeting and one, submitted by Nancy McCall, was accepted. McCall's session is #308, "Preserving Digital Research Data in the Health Sciences," on Friday, Aug. 14, at 8:30am.
- E. Election of New Co-Chair Co-Chair Stephen Novak called for nominations from the floor. Ewa Basinska nominated Judith Wiener; Janice Golden seconded. There being no other nominations, the vote was called and Wiener won by voice vote. Novak then thanked departing Co-Chair Tim Pennycuff for his work on behalf of STHC over the last two years and asked for a round of applause.
- 8. **Program** Stephanie Bordy and Alex Jasinski of the Harry Ransom Center presented a program entitled "Science Among the Humanities: History of Science Collections at the Harry Ransom Center." They gave an illustrated overview of the Center's more significant holdings in the field including books by and papers of such figures as Johannes Kepler, J.F.W. Herschel, Owen Richardson, and Albert Einstein.
- 9. **New Business** Possible sessions for the 2010 meeting were discussed. Pennycuff noted that we needed 3-4 new members for the Steering Committee and urged attendees to consider participating. Several members spoke about new programs, acquisitions, and exhibitions at their parent institutions.
- 10. **Adjournment** The meeting was adjourned at 7:10pm.