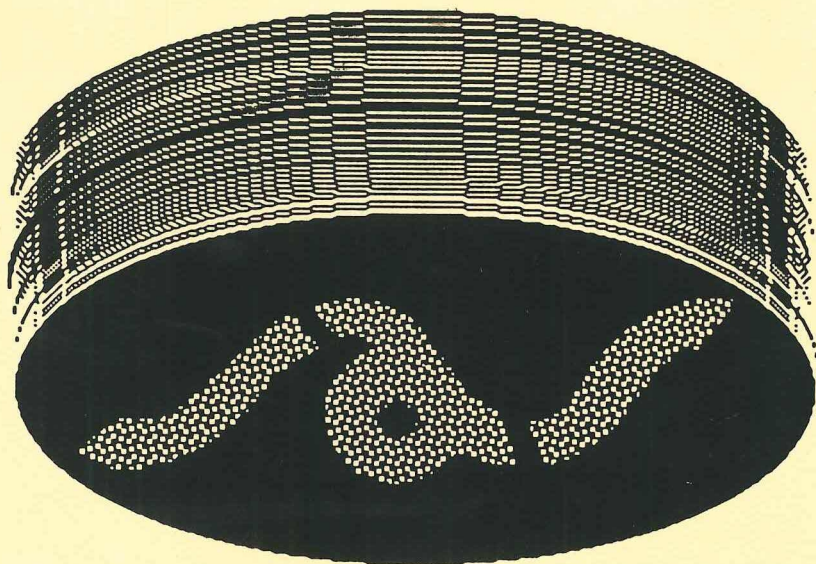


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Southern Anthropological Society Annual Business Meeting Minutes

April 23, 1988
Tampa, Florida

Item 1: Treasurer's Report -- 1987 Financial Report

Secretary-treasurer Thomas Arcury made the following report on the financial situation of the Society.

"The accompanying tables (appendix 1) show the 1987 revenues and disbursements for the Society, the cash on deposit at the end of this year, and the financial statement for the 1987 annual meeting. Comparable information on 1986 and 1985 revenues and disbursements, and year-end cash on deposit is included. The 1986 and 1985 information is taken from reports prepared by my predecessor, Holly Mathews. I tabulated the 1987 information. While Dr. Mathews was kind enough to review my arithmetic and presentation format, I take full responsibility for any errors or confusion in the 1987 data

"A simple comparison of 1987 revenues to disbursements indicates the Society had a net gain of \$1657.04 for the year. This simple comparison, however, gives too positive a sense of the Society's financial well being. If we deduct from the 1987 Net the \$756 for 1988 dues paid in 1987, the \$133 for 1988 annual meeting registration paid in 1987, the \$100 for 1988 annual book exhibits paid in 1987, the \$565.62 profit from the 1987 annual meeting (which cannot be counted on every year), we see the real 1987 net is \$102.42.

Total Revenues	\$5,450.46
Total Disbursements	3,793.52
 1987 Net	 1,657.04
 1988 dues paid in 1987	 756.00
1988 annual meeting registration paid in 1987	133.00
1988 annual meeting book ex- hibits paid in 1987	100.00
Profits from 1987 annual meeting	565.62
 Real 1987 Net	 \$ 102.42

The Society, therefore, broke about even in actual annual expenses compared to actual annual income. While this is a positive situation, it is not reason to become fiscally lax.

"Our cash on deposit at the end of 1987 was \$7,640.00. To take advantage of the best interest rate for the Society's funds, I placed \$4000 of this amount into Certificates of Deposit.

"As noted, the 1987 Annual Meeting showed a profit of \$565.62. We should all be aware of the work of Carole Hill, Tom Collins, Jim Wallace, and everyone connected with the 1987 Meeting."

Item 2: Membership

Arcury reported that Society membership for 1988, as of April 15, was 162 individuals. This included 138 regular members, 8 joint members (four couples), and 16 student members. This is a little larger than was the membership at the same time in 1987.

Peterson concluded that the increase in dues over the 1987 rates had not had a negative effect on total membership.

Item 3: Dues

Arcury reported that annual dues would not be increased for 1989. The rates would remain at \$20 for regular members, \$26 for joint members, and \$12 for student members. A new category of retired member would be added for 1989 and the dues for these individuals would be \$12 per year.

Peterson stated that the new method of collecting dues by including notices with the annual meeting registration forms should be continued.

Item 4: Report on the 1988 Annual Meeting

Tom Collins, program chair for the 1988 Annual Meeting, reported that 87 members had registered for the meeting and 77 papers had been accepted for presentation.

A general question raised from the floor was, given the difference in size between the SAS and the much larger SfAA (with whom we were jointly meeting), did the SAS get swallowed-up in this joint meeting? In particular, the question was asked why two separate programs had been printed (one for the SAS and one for the SfAA), and why individuals registered as SAS members had to pay an additional fee of \$6 for the SfAA program?

President John Peterson explained that there were three reasons for the separate programs. First, the SfAA deadlines for the submission of papers (October 1, 1987) was much too early for our membership and organization, which has a submission deadline of January or February of the the year of the meeting. Second, by having a separate program the SAS could charge its members a lower preregistration fee than was being charged by the SfAA. Finally, the budget of the SfAA program was at least \$4,000, whereas the cost of the SAS program was about \$400. The SAS could not afford the costs which were shouldered by the larger SfAA.

Malcolm Webb suggested that in the future, should separate programs be printed at joint meetings, each should include at least a skeleton outline of the other's program.

The general conclusion was that for future joint meetings, particularly with societies larger than the SAS, more attention needs to be paid to joint scheduling, communications and announcements.

Item 5: 1989 Annual Meeting

Thomas Collins, Local Arrangements Chair for the 1989 Annual Meeting, stated that these meetings will be held in Memphis, Tennessee, on April 20 to 22, 1989. The Key Symposium for these meetings is "Anthropology and Food Policy in Latin America and Africa," organized by Della McMillan, University of Kentucky.

Collins also spoke to the issue of increasing student involvement in the Society.

Item 6: 1990 Annual Meeting

The key symposium for the 1990 Annual Meeting will be "African-Americans in the South: Issues of Race, Class, and Gender," organized by Yvonne Jones (University of Louisville) and Hans Baer (University of Arkansas).

Arcury stated that he had been contacted by Katherine Verdery, Program Chair for the 1990 Meeting of the American Ethnological Society. She was exploring the possibility of a joint SAS-AES meeting for 1990. If the SAS were interested, Verdery stated she would present a joint SAS-AES meeting as one alternative to the AES Executive Committee at their meeting in November, 1988. The AES Executive Committee would then decide on accepting the joint meeting. The SAS Executive Committee had directed Arcury to contact Verdery and respond favorably to the possibility of a joint SAS-AES meeting for 1990.

The 1990 Annual Meeting will be held in Atlanta, Georgia. John Peterson stated

that a Program Chair and Local Arrangements Chair would need to be selected for these meetings. He also noted that he had in fact made some preliminary contact with individuals in the Atlanta area about taking responsibility for the local arrangements and the program for the 1990 meeting. It was not possible to confirm these arrangements before the present meeting.

There was a general sentiment that Johnetta Cole, President of Spelman College, should be asked to participate in these meetings. Harry LeFever (Spelman College) stated that he would be interested in helping to arrange the 1990 Atlanta meeting.

Tony Paredes stated that the Association of Black Anthropologists should be invited to participate in this meeting.

Item 7: Student Paper Prize

Charles McNutt, Chair of the Student Paper Competition, announced the winner for this year is Martha Holley, a student at Wheaton College. The title of Holley's paper was "The Process of Conscientization Regarding Children in Five Rural Cameroonian Villages."

The prize will constitute 27 volumes. Contributors include the presses of the University of Alabama, University of Illinois, University of Oklahoma, Aldine, Indiana University, Atlantic Highlands Humanities Press, University of Notre Dame, Athlone Press-London, University of Georgia, New Abbey, University of Chicago, and Ithaca Press.

Because of the small number of papers submitted, only one award was being given this year, instead of the usual two awards, one to an undergraduate and one to a graduate student. McNutt did state that the paper of Mitchell Childress (Memphis State), "Perspectives on Emerging Chiefdoms: A Comparative Analysis," deserved an Honorable Mention.

The need to increase student involvement, not only in the student paper competition but also in the Society in general, was then addressed.

Arcury presented a plan by the executive committee to address this problem. The executive committee acknowledges that the student paper competition should be better advertised. Letters and posters announcing the competition should be sent not only to department chairpersons, but also to anthropology student clubs, directors of graduate study, and directors of undergraduate study.

It was decided that the award for the best undergraduate and best graduate papers be

changed to include: (1) certificates, (2) as in past years, books provided by publishers exhibiting at the annual meeting, (3) publication of the papers in the *Southern Anthropologist*, and (4) cash prizes of \$200.

The category of Honorable Mention will also be awarded to student papers of high quality. Student papers given honorable mention will receive a certificate.

Given the intent of the student paper competition to increase student participation in the Society, students entering the competition must be members of the Society and register for the annual meeting. All students entering papers in the competition will appear in the annual meeting program and be able to present their papers.

Finally, it was suggested from the floor that if the Society wished to increase student involvement it should hold the annual meetings in places which are centrally located and at hotels which are not too expensive.

Item 8: New Officers

Arcury reported the results of this year's election. Andrew Miracle, Texas Christian University, is the new President-elect. Thomas Collins, Memphis State University, is the new Councillor.

Item 9: SAS Proceedings

Proceedings editor Mary Helms presented the following report:

1. State of "in-press" Proceedings

Volume 21 -- Peacock and Sabella, *Sea and Land*, is to be released in May according to the University of Georgia Spring Catalogue. It should be available for distribution to members this summer.

The manuscript for Volume 22 -- Holly Mathews, *Women in the South*, has been edited by the Press editor and checked by Helms. It is now being typeset. Everything is on schedule.

Volume 23 -- Benita Howell, *Cultural Conservation in the American South* (tentative title), is the Key Symposium for this year's meeting. Style sheets and a general information letter were sent to Howell before the meeting. Helms will consult with her further in Tampa.

2. New Procedure

Starting with the Peacock and Sabella volume (No. 21), a list of all SAS Proceedings in print will be published inside the back cover or on the last page of each new volume. The back cover is reserved by the Press for other advertising. Maybe this will assist in advertising and sales.

3. Sales

Top sales for most recent reporting period (July, 1986 to February, 1988):

Current Health Policy Issues (Hill) -- 544 copies
Visions and Revisions (Sabo and Schneider) -- 423 copies
Burden of Being Civilized (Richardson and Webb) -- 152 copies

Top lifetime sales:

Red, White and Black -- 3175 copies
Not So Solid South -- 3068 copies
Symbols and Society -- 2240 copies
Do Applied Anthropologists . . . -- 2132 copies

Grand total of all proceedings sales to date since "day 1": 22,855 copies

President Peterson asked for a vote to reappoint Mary Helms to another three-year term as Proceedings Editor. This vote of the membership present was unanimous.

Malcolm Webb moved that the Society give Helms a vote of thanks for the quality of her past, continuing and future work as Proceedings Editor. This motion was seconded and unanimously approved by the membership present.

Item 10: Book Exhibit

Jim Wallace was unable to attend the meeting. Arcury reported that, as of April 15, 1988, \$950 had been received from publishers for book exhibits at the 1988 meeting. Peterson noted that additional payments would be forthcoming, so that the total would reach about \$1,100. Arcury noted the important contribution that Jim Wallace had made as book exhibit chair to the Society.

The funds received for book exhibits at the 1988 meeting are to be equally shared

with the SfAA.

Peterson stated that Jim Wallace had done an outstanding job as book exhibit chair for three years, but that he would be unable to take the job for another three-year term. Incoming President Paredes would need to select a new chair. Peterson further noted that two roles were actually involved in the book exhibits. The first is the book exhibit chair who contacts the publishers. The second is the local arrangements chair for the meeting who must make sure that adequate space is made available for the exhibitors.

Peterson also noted that the new book-exhibit chair should raise the rates for book exhibitors by at least 50 percent over this year's rates. This rate increase would not decrease participation by publishers and would increase Society income.

Finally, it was noted that the books which the publishers exhibit have been donated to the Society for use as prizes in the student paper competition. This year the books will be shared with the SfAA.

Item 11: President Anthony Paredes

Outgoing President John Peterson turned over the office and the meeting to incoming President Anthony Paredes. Paredes thanked Peterson for his work for the Society in the past year.

Paredes also appointed Peterson Chair of the Nominations Committee, and solicited volunteers for the two other seats on the committee. William Schneider (University of Arkansas) volunteered.

Item 12: Mooney Award

Hans Baer, chair of the ad-hoc committee on the James Mooney Award, presented the following revised report. This report had been accepted by the executive committee.

Revised Report of the James Mooney Award Committee

1. The award should be awarded to an outstanding book or monograph (published during the preceding year) on a topic that furthers understanding of the American South as a region from an anthropological perspective. The awardee does not have to be a current member of the Southern Anthropological Society, but SAS members are strongly urged to apply for the Mooney Award.

2. The Executive Committee of the Southern Anthropological Society will select the members of the Mooney Award Committee. No Executive Committee members may serve on the Award Committee.

3. The Mooney Award Committee will include three members, who will serve overlapping three-year terms. In selecting the members of the Award Committee, the Executive Committee will make every effort to insure a balance of members of each gender and from different ethnic groups.

4. The Award Committee will solicit books and monographs to be considered for the award by notifying publishers and anthropology and other departments with anthropology programs about it, and placing calls for books and monographs in the *Anthropology Newsletter*, the *Southern Anthropologist*, the *Southeastern Archeological Society Newsletter*, and other appropriate newsletters.

5. The SAS will award a yet-to-be-determined prize for the best design for the Mooney Award certificate.

The executive committee recognizes that this revised ad-hoc committee report is a statement of policy and not of procedure. The first Mooney Award Committee will be asked to perform the double-duty of establishing procedure and selecting the Mooney Awardee.

The revised committee report was unanimously approved by the membership present.

Item 13: No new business

President Paredes called for any new business. No new business being proposed, the meeting was adjourned.

APPENDIX 1

Southern Anthropological Society Statement of Revenues and Disbursements for the Year Ending December 31, 1987

REVENUES FOR CALENDAR YEAR:	1987	1986	1985
Dues	\$2428.00	\$2063.30	\$1344.10
Paid for 1987	\$1672.00		
Paid for 1988	756.00		
Royalties on Proceedings	133.94	215.59	390.85
Proceedings Sales	87.50	94.40	-----
1985 Annual Meeting	-----	102.75	-----
1986 Annual Meeting Registration Fees	-----	4959.03	400.00
1987 Annual Meeting			
Registration Fees	1560.00	20.00	-----
Book Exhibits and Sales	337.60	-----	-----
1988 Annual Meeting			
Registration Fees	133.00	-----	-----
Book Exhibits and Sales	100.00	-----	-----
Interest Income			
N.C. State Credit Union			
Money Market Account	257.07	497.54	498.05
Checking Account	32.13	75.57	110.90
University of Kentucky Credit Union			
Savings Account	75.08	-----	-----
Bank Error	-----	.60	-----
Refund from Newsletter Editor	281.44	-----	-----
Refund on Bad Check	25.00	-----	-----
TOTAL CASH REVENUES	\$5450.46	\$8028.78	\$2743.90
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DISBURSEMENTS FOR CALENDAR YEAR:	1987	1986	1985
Newsletter	\$500.00	400.00	500.00
Postage	184.21	180.83	174.38
Printing and Duplicating	385.42	184.40	123.88
Office Supplies	15.00	115.69	18.05
Telephone	31.98	80.70	-----
Bank Charges	16.17	14.79	26.00
Bad Checks	28.00	-----	-----
License Fee	10.00	10.00	10.00
Officer Expenses	61.35	184.86	110.67
Officer Travel	-----	929.37	995.15
Refund for Overpayment of Dues	22.00	-----	-----
Refund for Out-of-Print Proceedings	15.20	-----	-----
1986 Annual Meeting Expenses	-----	5168.76	-----
1987 Annual Meeting Expenses	792.00	500.00	-----
1988 Annual Meeting Expenses (Advance)	500.00	-----	-----
Proceedings	1232.09	2933.25	61.20
Publication of Volume 20 -- \$1176.57			
Orders for Back Issues -- \$55.52			
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$3793.42	\$10,702.65	\$2019.33

CASH ON DEPOSIT ON DECEMBER 31,	1987	1986	1985
N.C. State Credit Union			
Checking Account	-----	\$651.59	\$1903.43
Money Market Account	-----	5346.89	6749.35
University of Kentucky Credit Union			
Checking Account	\$899.68	-----	-----
Savings Account	2740.35	-----	-----
Bank One, Lexington, Kentucky			
6 Month Certificate of Deposit (6.80% APR, Due 2/27/88)	2000.00	-----	-----
1 Year Certificate of Deposit (7.25% APR, Due 8/27/88)	2000.00	-----	-----
TOTAL CASH ON DEPOSIT	\$7640.03	\$5998.48	\$8652.78

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR 1987 ANNUAL MEETING -- ATLANTA,
GEORGIA**

Revenues

Registration Fees	\$1580.00
Book Exhibit Fees and Sales	312.60
TOTAL	\$1892.60

Disbursements

Hotel Fees (includes room charges and reception)	\$600.00
Jazz Band for Reception	150.00
Program Costs	542.00
Book Exhibit Costs	34.98
TOTAL	\$1326.98
CONVENTION PROFIT	\$565.62

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