

## **MacJannet Foundation Meeting Minutes, Saturday January 4, 2003**

A meeting of the MacJannet Foundation duly noticed and with a quorum present took place by conference call on Saturday, January 4, 2003 starting at 11:00 a.m. EST.

**Opening:** John King called the meeting to order and welcomed the persons in attendance.

**Roll Call:** The following voting trustees were present: Grace Billings, Tony Cook, George Halsey, Mary vanBibber Harris, Tom Hunt, John Iglehart, John King, Doug Marston, Cynthia Raymond, Dan Rottenberg, Wenke Thoman, and Willard Snyder

Absent: Lawrence Bacow, Jean-Marie Hervé, Robert Hollister, Robert Jerome, Philip Rich, Anna Swinbourne, and most of whom sent acknowledgements by email indicating guidance on the issues noted in the agenda.

1. **Approval of Overseer Nominations:** John King sent Trustees an e-mail on December 2nd with the bios of two nominees for Overseer positions. The nominees are proposed for a three-year renewable term as Overseer, and Trustee approval is necessary for the nominations to be made official.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

**Voted:** to accept the nominations of Maria Robinson and Anna Rubin.

2. **Approval of new Trustee ex officio:** Gabriella (Gaby) Goldstein has been appointed as Sally Pym's successor as Administrative Director of the Tufts European Center in Talloires. In order for Gaby to participate fully in our work - especially in preparing the annual Foundation Board meeting in June - John King recommends that she also take Sally's position as Trustee *ex officio* on the Board of the MacJannet Foundation. Trustee approval is necessary for this appointment, and it is best if the appointment be made earlier rather than later in June, since Gaby's help is needed on a number of Foundation matters in the coming months.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

**Voted:** to accept the nomination of Gabriella Goldstein as Trustee *ex-officio*.

3. **Approval of special \$500 grant for MacJannet Fellow David Karp:** David is a 2001-2002 MacJannet Fellow at HEI. He has decided to stay at HEI for a few extra months to finish up his course work for a doctorate, and has requested further assistance from the Foundation for his living costs (David received a MacJannet Foundation stipend last year, as voted at the 2001 Board meeting). John King recommends an additional small stipend of \$500 be approved for this purpose, to be paid from corpus. There are two issues for Trustees to decide: (1) whether to

authorize the extra stipend, and (2) if it is authorized, to vote to allow our 5% corpus grant limitation for 2002 to be exceeded, as the grant would exceed that limit by \$428. Discussion ensued suggesting that further details concerning the grant would be appropriate.

On motion duly made and seconded 3 opposed and 9 in favor, it was

**Voted:** to pre-approve a special grant of \$500 to David Karp, subject to the President obtaining sufficient additional information, and to authorize a slightly over-budget amount for 2003 grants as voted during the 2002 meeting.

4. **Status reports :**

- a. John King reported on the new MacJannet Fellows and the development of a Society of MacJannet Fellows, which is being established.
- b. Mary Harris reported on the progress of the MacJannet Legacy Committee / Tufts Library work
- c. Wenke Sterns reported on plans for Talloires Night;
- d. John King reported that he plans to call the next Board meeting for Saturday 10a.m. River Club on April 12, 2003

With no further matters for consideration at the meeting, and on motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously:

**Voted:** to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted:

By: \_\_\_\_\_/s\_\_\_\_\_

George R. Halsey, Secretary

Date: January 4, 2003