



Minutes from Annual Spring Meeting 2013  
Florida Tech Evans Library Link Room  
Melbourne, FL  
Monday, March 18, 2013

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LAB President Janice Murray started the meeting at 6:20 p.m. Attendees enjoyed the Library Café Foodstuffs and the snacks and drinks provided by Kathy Turner and Suzy Kozaitis. 19 people were in attendance.

Kellie Sparks introduced Mrs. Jean Sparks, who in turn introduced the speaker, Dr. John Deaton. He gave a very informative and interesting talk on his experience in the Utah desert for a Mars project. He spent two weeks as part of a team in a capsule in 2011, designed to imitate life on Mars. Dr. Deaton studied human factor engineering, an important part of space travel and habitation. His experiences made for a very interesting presentation. Janice presented Dr. Deaton with a \$30 gift certificate to Barnes and Noble after his talk.

Afterwards, the group was invited downstairs to tour the rocket model area, and see the School of Aeronautics timeline. Also they were encouraged by Kathy Turner to try out the flying simulator. Kathy led the tour, explaining the rockets were donated by Boeing, and helped make the library come alive with displays.

The March Madness raffle was won by Florida Institute of Technology's Instruction Librarian Rose Petralia. The raffle was part of a membership drive. Members got to say what they liked most about LAB, and encouraged new members to join up. Discussion followed about volunteers and election of officers for the 2013-2014 year.

The following persons were proposed for the slate of officers:

Kellie Sparks – will now go into the position of President.  
Janice Murray – will now go into Past-President  
VP/Pres. Elec. Position was open, UCF Librarian Barbara Alderman volunteered, accepted the nomination, was approved by majority vote.  
Treasurer – position remains open, will be re-advertised.  
Membership chair – Suzy K. reconfirmed she will fill that position.  
Secretary – Lynn Bennett will continue in position.  
Newsletter editor – Ashley Campbell will continue until later this year.

Janice discussed the Scholarship fund. LAB will provide two \$250.00 scholarships to library workers or volunteers pursuing higher education for library studies. The

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scholarship committee is made up of Lynn Bennett and Suzy Kozaitis. The application will be available by March 27<sup>th</sup>, and the winners announced by May 30<sup>th</sup>.

National Library Week is April 14-20<sup>th</sup>. Kellie Sparks asked members to email pictures for the blog and Facebook LAB site.

World Book Night – Janice Murray is participating and will be at the Woody Simpson Center.

Treasurer report – there is \$1,774.78 monies in the bank account.

Janice and Kellie thanked the Florida Tech librarians and especially Kathy Turner and Suzy Kozaitis for helping host the event this evening. She encouraged people to check out more of the exhibit, and fly the simulator!

The meeting was dismissed at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lynn Bennett, Secretary