**ABIS Business Meeting**

March 14, 2013

Call to Order: Ann and Kimberly, President and VP/Program Chair

Minutes from March 1, 2012 were approved as written

Conference Report:

* 18 Paper Submissions
* 17 Accepted
* Authors came from 6 states

Treasurer’s Report – Carla

* Account Balance was $ 5900.82
* Net registration (Registration 751.39– Breakfast Expenses170.32) $581.07 (Carla, please verify)

Proceeding Report – Beverly Oswalt

* 2013 proceedings (in CD format) could be picked up at registration
* Included 11 papers
* Members were reminded that the proceedings is an important step in the research process leading to a journal publication
* 2014 proceedings will be in an electronic format only & will be available at the ABIS website

Journal Report – Marcel Robles

* 8 submissions and six acceptances
* 75% acceptance rate
* Deadline September 1

Election of New Officers (2013-2014):

* President: Kimberly Merritt
* Vice President/Program Chair: Joselina Cheng
* Journal Editor: Marcel Robles
* Proceedings Editor: Lori Soule
* Secretary: Jim Larsgaard
* Treasurer: Carla Barber
* Historian/Par: Marsha Bayless

New Business

* Raise registration from $50 to $55 (Passed through a majority vote)
* Proceeding – online only (Passed through a majority vote)
* Journal visibility – look into the possibility of being included in major databases (i.e., EBSCoR)