

Saint Louis Lampworkers Society (SLLS)  
Secretary's Minutes

Meeting Date: January 13, 2008

Meeting Time 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Meeting was called to order by:

Kim Ownbey at 1:45.

We thanked our hostesses for having us:

Cindy Jenkins and Sarah Sturgis at the Fun House.

The minutes were read from the last meeting by:

(there were no minutes).

Kim Ownbey introduced new members:

Peri Hogube and Heidi Sever

Attendees:

Sue Wuest, Kim Ownbey, Kathleen Osterwise, Melissa Villadiego, Marilyn Roberts, Erna Garber, Gail Crozier, Liza Mitchell, Cindy Jenkins, Sarah Sturgis, Heidi Sever, Tamara Hahn, Katie Elrod, Sharon David, Joan Cross, Teri Wathan, Emily Finnegan, Peri Hogube, and Patti Skonicki.

Old Business:

New board members were introduced:

President:	Kim Ownbey
Vice-President:	Mellissa Villadiego
Librarian:	Tamara Hahn
Treasurer:	Sue Wuest
Website Designer:	Karla Lester
Bead Show Coordinator:	Sharon David
Secretary:	Patti Skonicki

Treasurer's report:

Sue Wuest reported that the SLLS has \$1242.14 in the bank, and membership dues are due for 2008.

New Business:

Melissa Villadiego reported that it is time to get ready for the Missouri Bead Retreat. The retreat will be held May 16-19 at the Lake of the Ozarks Alhonna Resort. Price is \$60 per person, payable to Karla Lester, due by 4-1-08. Check out [www.mobeadretreat.com](http://www.mobeadretreat.com) for sign-ups and more information.

Melissa also spoke about Beads of Courage. This program teams up with hospitals; sick children pick a glass bead for each step of treatment they have completed. They are looking for donations of beads, especially purple hearts and butterflies. Beads need to be made on 3/32 mandrels. A monthly raffle is planned; send beads to Melissa.

Kim Ownbey spoke of these upcoming events:

- Stated her intention to discuss plans for future meetings at an SLLS board meeting.
- Reminded members of the bead gathering at Becky Caspersen's house on January 19<sup>th</sup>.
- Slumber party at Joan's house on Feb. 2 in celebration of her birthday.

Gail Crozier announced that the following teachers will be coming to teach at the Third Degree Glass Factory:

- Sage and Beau Holland, March 7-9, \$425.
- Loren Stump, April 22-26, \$1000.
- Stephanie Sersich, 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend in September.
- Kim Affleck, 1<sup>st</sup> weekend in November.

Also, new kiln-forming and casting classes will be offered, taught by Mark.

There was no bead drawing; Emelie Clarin had won the bead drawing in November, and she was not present.

It was announced that the next meeting would be February 10, 2008 at Melissa Villadiego's house from 2:00 – 4:00. The agenda will include a “Garage-ication” and a resin demo.

A beautiful necklace was presented to Gail Crozier for her past service as SLLS President. The necklace included lampwork beads made and donated by SLLS members, and was designed by Karla Lester.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:15.