Present: Dr. Binder, Nancy Baird, Brian Coutts, Connie Foster, Heather Slack-Ratii.

The minutes of the February 10, meeting were approved.

Dean's Announcement: Dr. Binder declared a "failed search" for the DLSC Department Head. He will appoint a new committee after the department rewrites the job description.

Dean's Report: Dr. Binder and the provost have talked about the three searches currently underway and he has received permission to continue them. However, should the university's financial situation change and he be called on to justify filling these positions, he wishes to be prepared. Thus, he asked the department heads to provide him with a brief justification for each of the unfilled positions.

A committee composed of Jack Montgomery (chair), Bryan Carson, Connie Foster and Jue Wang will make recommendations by March 7 for handling inflation costs of books and serials.

The dean recommended that, because of dwindling interest in increased expenses, we participate in next year's National Library Week only with the Book Festival and the year-round activities such as Kentucky Live! and Far Away Places. He will not, however, appoint a special committee to plan additional programs. The council concurred.

Department Reports:

DLPS Report: Brian has submitted a request to the university for funding for audio tape players that can be used for self guided tours of University Libraries. He also apologized that the video equipment didn't work for Jonathan Jeffrey's fine "Kentucky Live" presentation the previous week and reminded everyone that on Thursday evening Lawrence Alice will talk of his experiences as a Peace Corps volunteer in West Africa (Niger). Brian's final comments concerned the possibility of increasing attendance at the on campus SOLINET Workshops.

DLTS Report: Connie made several announcements. Rose Davis will meet with Nancy Baird and then with Jonathan Jeffrey to discuss access and cataloging needs that can be immediately addressed for various Kentucky Library collections.

All of the WKU-hosted SOLINET workshops for Feb. 20-21 have been filled. The topic is "The Invisible Reference Desk" or virtual reference services.
Brian Coutts, Jack Montgomery, Connie Foster, Dean Jones, Selina Langford and Terri Baker had a productive Feb. 11 meeting discussing interlibrary loan procedures as they relate to invoice payments and procedures.

Nelda Sims completed configuration of the database pages and David Runner completed remodeling these pages for EZproxy services. Jue Wang will prepare the announcement about database access and show it to the dean prior to sending a campus-wide email.

Nelda and David will now concentrate on configuration and remodeling of the e-journal pages.

**DLSC Report:** The Sunday afternoon book discussion on *Subversive Southerner*, led by its author (and history professor at UofL) Gatherine Fosl, was a great success, as was the children's art workshop led by artist Alice Gatewood Waddell.

The Kentucky Library and Museum has also requested "research equipment" money for an opaque projector (which is necessary to read the library's thousands of books on microcard) and a map case.

**Development Report:** Heather encouraged each of us to write a thank you note to Thomas Redford.

The meeting ended about 11:15.

For the library,
Nancy Baird