National Block & Bridle Club Mid-Year Meeting (Advisors' Luncheon) July 23, 2002 Quebec, Canada

President Harold Harpster called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM and asked all those attending to introduce themselves. He extended a special welcome to the CLLI members who were present. Officers gave the following reports.

<u>Vice President</u> (Jeannette Moore, delivered by Dr. Harpster): There are 7 nominees for Junior Scholarship, 1 nominee for the Sophomore Award, 13 chapter activities nominations. Results will be reported at the national convention in January 2003.

<u>Editor</u> (Nevil Speer): Dr. Speer first reviewed the duties of Editor—national newsletter, web site, and several awards. He reported that he has sent an e-mail to all the advisors listed on the web site to get updates. He also reported that there are 5 published yearbooks in this year's competition, and 7 web page nominations. The national web site is updated regularly, and chapters are encouraged to keep theirs up to date as well.

<u>Secretary/Treasurer</u> (Cindy Wood): The minutes from the Louisville were presented but will be voted on at the national meeting in January. The mid-year financial report was accepted (see attached). There is \$61,121.37 in the Money Market account, and \$18,572.80 in the checking account. That amount does include the \$6,000 reimbursement from KY for the advance they used to reserve buses.

<u>President</u> (Harold Harpster): Dr. Harpster reported there are 10 nominations for Outstanding Senior. He also reminded everyone about the new rules for judging scrapbooks.

<u>CLLI Report</u> (Nevil Speer): The 2002 class will have spent 10 days on the road by the time they get done. They were in Reno, NV for 3 days, and will be in Quebec until Wednesday. They are working all day today. He said it has been an excellent experience, and would like to see the program expanded to other species.

2003 National Convention (Cindy Wood): The Virginia Tech chapter is very excited to be hosting the convention for the first time. The dates are Jan. 23-26, 2003 at the Doubletree Hotel Crystal City just across the street from the Pentagon. Rooms are \$99 plus tax, up to four people in a room. Registration fees have not been set yet. Tours in PA, MD, and VA are being planned for Saturday, to be followed by the awards banquet. The educational program will be on Friday morning. The theme revolves around

agriculture and politics. Complete details will be in a registration packet that is scheduled to go out in September.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Wood Secretary/Treasurer