Present: (I do not have the attendance sheet. I don’t think any was done. Bill, Molly and I might be able to recreate one.)

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Bill Amoriell as President Jutta Fitzsimmons was away.

Greeting from President Schwaller were shared by Anne Schwaller.

II. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the April 5, 2008 meeting were reviewed.
The minutes were approved.

III. Treasurer’s Report – Rick Bates

The treasurer’s report was distributed and reviewed.
The report was approved.

IV. Advancement Report – Nancy Griffin

A written report from Nancy was shared. It included information concerning these items:
The Center for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Education-a report on the fund raising finds $65,719 raised so far.

The Neil and Marilyn Johnson Scholarship for Community Health-gifts being received toward the endowment.

Literacy Center-Grant has been requested from Corning Foundation for a workshop series.

Mary E. English Commons-Total pledged $161,000 most fulfilled. Naming opportunities remain.

V. School of Education Update-Bill Amoriell

NCATE-program has been fully accredited for seven years. Many thanks are due to Eileen Raymond, Associate Dean.

Bill reported on searches and retirements.

The Ottawa Center for Teacher Education, a part-time program, will begin this fall.

The establishment of a Master’s of Public Health is in progress.
VI. Spring Tea Update– Sue Stacy

Sue was not able to attend the meeting but sent thanks to the Committee for all of the work toward the successful and lovely event with special thanks to Martha and Eileen. Work needs to be done in the future to get more students and graduate students to come.

VII. Formal Election and Appointment of Vice-President and President- Rick Bates

Rick was also not able to attend but forwarded the nominations of Mark Davie for Vice-President and Vicki Hayes for President. There were no further nominations and these nominations were approved by vote of those present.

VIII. Future Goals and Agenda Items

It was agreed that not enough members were present to make any decisions concerning goal but suggested that we form a work group to begin the process. The Special Projects Committee needs to meet. This group includes Rick Bates, Sue Stacy, Rena Caruso, Bill Amoriell, Jutta Fitzsimmons, Michele Meyers, Vicki Hayes, Donna Ce’Cartel, Mary Rutley.

The St. Lawrence Academy Medal Committee—the new recipient goes on this committee (Vernice Church) and Molly Amoriell goes off.

The display case will be empty soon. The Committee needs to meet—Vicki Hayes, Michelle Delperuto, Mark Davey.

Bill and Roger Sipher raised the questions about making the Canadian students be a part of Potsdam.

Roger also asked about membership on the Alumni Board and how it happens. Molly explained.

The College will be marking 175 years of Teacher Education. Could this be a theme for the spring tea? It could also be the theme for the entire Alumni Weekend. Molly will make this suggestion to the Board.

Another suggestion was to have a committee from this group to connect with the Potsdam Museum for possible future exhibits.

Mark Davey and Michelle Delperuto suggested the possibility of establishing an endowment by requesting a $5 donation from each education graduate.

Asa Brainard started teacher education. Is a portrait of him a possibility? Neil Johnson made a motion to give $500 to have a portrait created. Molly Amoriell seconded this motion and it was approved.

The meeting was adjourned with note made that our next meeting will be on October 4, 2008 at 1 p.m.