Early Medieval China Group

Annual Meeting

Chicago Sheraton – Columbus A

March 28, 2009

Minutes

Attendees: Daniel Bryant, Andrew Chittick, Al Dien, Andrew Eisenberg, Howard Goodman, Thomas Jansen, Annette Kieser, Ken Klein, Keith Knapp, Scott Pearce, Minran Pu, Antje Richter, Jonathan Skaff, Madeline Spring, Teresa Sun, Xiaofei Tian, Ping Wang, Timothy Wixted, and Sujane Wu

President Alan Berkowitz called the meeting to order. <u>Text Reading Seesion</u> had taken place

Thursday evening, March 26th.

Self introductions, including research interests

Secretary-Treasurer's Report.

Balance (3/28/09)	\$3,353.95
Expenditures	7,218.17
Receipts	3,163.70
Balance (3/21/08)	\$7,438.42.

The minutes from the 2008 meeting were approved.

Publisher/Editor's Report. In the absence of the *Early Medieval* China editor, Alan spoke about the state of the journal: the high quality of Cynthia Chennault's editorial direction and the decision to have the publication of the journal taken over by Maney Publishing. Volumes 13/14, parts 1 and 2, dated 2007 and 2008 and compiled in honor of Al Dien, will be issued this year. Beginning with volume 15, Maney will take over the publishing duties. Editorial control will continue to be in the hands of the EMCG Editorial Board. The cost of institutional subscriptions will be raised sharply, but individual membership/subscriptions will not; these will be controlled by the EMCG. The advantages we gain through this arrangement will be in relief from the details of financing, printing, marketing, and in the timeliness of the publication schedule.

In answer to Al's question as to whether Cynthia would continue as editor, Alan said that she will continue for now, but may soon look to hand the job off to someone else.

Six Dynasties Handbook Project. Al Dien spoke about the status of the Handbook project. At the time of the meeting, thirty-six entries had been submitted, with thirty-two additional promised. There are still some titles available for contributors to assume responsibility for. The coverage of titles is intended to include those that researchers are most likely to need; it is not meant to be comprehensive. There is not enough coverage of Buddhist and Taoist titles.

The meeting was adjourned.