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**President's Report
(Prepared by SAAF President Fynnette Eaton)**

I am pleased to report that the Foundation Board's Grant Review Committee successfully reviewed the first group of Foundation Grant applications. We encountered a challenge when we realized that we did not have review criteria when we received the letters of intent. Thanks to the efforts of Nancy McGovern and Nancy Beaumont, criteria were developed. However, given the timeframe and the fact that two of the four grants were judged not to meet our basic requirements, we chose to use the criteria outlined in our grant application documents.

One issue that needs to be addressed for future applications is the development by a subcommittee of the review criteria (most likely based on the criteria developed by McGovern and Beaumont) and taking into account the remarks by the Review Committee to those draft criteria.

See Agenda Item II.B. for the recommendations of the Review Committee.

Many thanks to Mark Duffy, Lisa Mangiafico, and Carla Summers for working with me to review the criteria and prepare reviews of the two grant application. They helped tremendously while managing their many other commitments.