MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING **JANUARY 13, 1994**

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PRESIDENT/ REPORT

Pauline passed on her report for this month. Larry Autotte also had VICE PRESIDENT'S nothing to report this month.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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