

LIS Alumni Board – meeting minutes

January 14, 2014

The LIS Alumni Board meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Columbus School of Law LIS Suite. In attendance were: Chris Corrigan (presiding); Ana Elisa de Campos Salles; Mark Brzozowski; Katherine Stinson; Elizabeth Mariani; Jean Lee; Bill Kules; and Kathy Kelly.

Review of Previous Minutes

The minutes from the December 10, 2013 meeting were approved with one edit. Ana Elisa de Campos Salles moved to approve the edited minutes, Mark Brzozowski seconded, and motion passed.

Webpage/Email Updates

Kathy Kelly noted that the approved November 2013 meeting minutes had been posted on the Alumni Board Documents page (<http://slis.cua.edu/alumni/Documents.cfm>); that some December updates had been submitted for posting on the LIS web site's Alumni News page (<http://cuaslis.org/wp/december-2013-alumni-news/>), and that she was still seeking January updates.

Chris Corrigan thanked Jean Lee, Katherine Stinson, Carter Rawson, and Elizabeth Mariani for stepping up and offering to be at the LIS Open House on Thursday, January 16th.

Update from Dr. Kules

Bill Kules said thank you for Board help with the LIS Christmas party, he appreciated all the work on it. He mentioned we will have an Open House on Thursday, January 16th here, another in March, and another in May or June. We're trying to get things rolling. Dave Shumaker has agreed to help with marketing and outreach for the open houses. There is an online info session on Wednesday, January 15th at noon, a low-key event, with just Bill, Margaret Pooley, and Dave Shumaker. It's a webinar at which people can chat with them. He's using Adobe Connect, and they've renewed the license. Chris Corrigan asked about some core courses being dropped for the summer, and Bill explained that all but one core course were removed from the summer term. Bill said they may run only 557 in the summer due to reduced enrollment. Students can take other courses that don't have prerequisites. He posted the announcement before the Christmas break so students can take it into account before planning their spring schedules. Chris asked about ways alumni can help LIS, and invited Bill to think about ways to engage the Alumni Association. Tomorrow, January 15th, the faculty will be discussing accreditation at their faculty meeting. Probably in March there may be information on how to help with the re-accreditation process.

Old Business

Christmas Party 2013 Recap

Chris Corrigan thanked everyone for what they did, all the work they put into it. Elizabeth Mariani said she'll send us three photos she took. Mark Brzozowski thought if we could collect photos, and publish them on a photo site, that would help our events. Board members wondered if we can have a page of photos on the LIS web site. Stinson wondered if it would have more attendance on a week night. We had a little over 40 persons attending the party. We raised \$150 for the ALA Filipino Library Fund. We had just enough food. The party was a smashing success.

Constitutional Amendment Voting Results

Chris Corrigan thanked Ana Elisa de Campos Salles for putting out a Google form and collecting the votes. There were 118 in favor, 6 opposed. It was a good form, people kept responding up through the day before we closed, it was efficient use of the form. Chris moved we implement the name change from School of Library and Information Science Alumni Association to Library and Information Science Alumni Association in the Constitution and Bylaws document, and the motion passed. He called for a volunteer to change the document; Ana Elisa volunteered, and she will edit it, and will send to the Board. The Board talked about how to edit the document, and Ana Elisa will look over the document to see where any change needs to be made. The Board asked if later on if we should think about adding Health Information Technology (HIT) in the Constitution and By-Laws, but consensus was it's already covered as part of LIS, as one of the tracks.

As a related matter, Carter Rawson mentioned Margaret Pooley is managing the web site, and she is looking for references to slis alum and will roll them back to LIS. Chris Corrigan mentioned we have a web site, a LinkedIn page, and a Facebook presence. He will email Robin Foltz regarding who has the passwords. Jenny O'Shea used to be in charge. Kathy will ask her about administrative rights. Ana Elisa de Campos Salles said it's worthwhile to explore a new page for Facebook, that we should think about creating a page for the LIS Alumni Association on Facebook, make it part of the Tech Committee's charge. Ana Elisa will change the name on our social media presence to the Library and Information Science Alumni Association.

Committee Reports

Mentoring Committee Report – We're having the next student mentoring event on January 22nd, with 3 librarians: two from public libraries, and one from public schools; all are hiring managers. We've had 17 RSVPs, not including panelists and ourselves. There will be over 20 people there. There was some confusion about rooms and times, and Chris Corrigan has communicated with Louise Gray to clarify. We asked them to change to a larger room, it's now in the Slowinski court room from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Since we've got the new room, we're still having people register. Tomorrow he'll send a promotional email noting the room number has changed. They are easing parking in the Law School garage for those who want to drive. You have to ask them to open the exit gate too and specify the time. He's still waiting to hear back from Aramark about pricing for things. There is a kitchen downstairs, and Aramark may be able to make an arrangement with the kitchen. We're getting two tables to have coffee and treats outside the court room, and a panel table with chairs inside. Elizabeth Mariani ran into the video people on campus, one of whom said he's been communicating with someone from the Library School about recordings of events. Several people asked if the mentoring event could be webcast, and though it cannot be a webcast, Mark Brzozowski will film the event and it will be put out later. Elizabeth will give Chris the videographer's contact information, so we can get him for the Stone Lecture. Chris confirmed with speakers that they're coming. He'll email them again tomorrow. He can send them a link of our campus map. Several Board members will attend the next Mentoring Committee meeting, and on April 23 there will be another mentoring event, at least one section of which will be HIT-related.

Raymond Von Dran Award 2014

Chris Corrigan put together an email with Rob Schneider's text for the announcement of the open nominations period from last year, and updated it and sent it out, and linked to a Google form for people to make nominations. He worked from an update of Rob's Word document. When people fill out the nomination form, it goes to our Board email address. Kathy Kelly noted there was outdated information on the Alumni web site's Von Dran Memorial Award page, and she will work with Margaret Pooley to finish getting it updated. Chris sent announcements to the LIS listserv, LinkedIn

and Facebook, DCLA, and Fedlib. Kathy suggested we put it out on MLA and VLA; Mark Brzozowski said Margaret Pooley can send to those. Chris mentioned Rob Schneider had indicated we need more detail about really good candidates, that the nominators need to do a good job making their case for their candidates. Sometimes multiple nominations can help a candidate. We will vote at the Board meeting on who wins based on the selection criteria. Chris will ask Rob for nominators from last year to remind them to consider renominating their candidates.

New Business

Emails to LIS Alumni Board Email Address

Some Board members have been getting strange emails since it changed the Board email address changed recently, though the old address still forwards to the new one. Elizabeth Mariani will open a ticket to get Technology Services to help figure it out.

Next Meeting

The Board agreed that the next meeting would be Tuesday, February 11, 2014, at the LIS Room 315 in the Columbus School of Law at 6:30 p.m.

Ana Elisa de Campos Salles moved to adjourn, Mark Brzozowski seconded. Motion passed.
The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.