SLIS Alumni Board meeting minutes May 21, 2009

The meeting commenced at 6:30 p.m. in Marist Hall Stone Conference room. In attendance were: Mark Brzozowski (presiding), Jeff Prater, Jenny O'Shea, Kathy Kelly, Dean Kimberly Kelley, and Assistant Dean Tim Steelman..

Review of Previous Minutes

The minutes from the April 21, 2009 meeting were approved.

Secretarial Report

Kathy Kelly noted that the Board could use a replacement file cabinet to phase out the one with the broken upper drawer currently used in Marist Hall in Louise Gray's office. She also noted alumni news updates continue to be added to the SLIS Alumni News webpage.

Old Business

Linkedin/Facebook

Jenny O'Shea reported there are now about 48 members in the SLIS community on LinkedIn, and about 33 on the SLIS community in Facebook.

SLIS Alumni Board Wiki

Mark Brzozowski noted he would get a separate email account to which alumni board files could be sent for upload to the wiki.

Accreditation Updates

Dean Kelley noted that on July 11th she'll meet with the ALA Committee on Accreditation in Chicago during the annual ALA conference.

New Business

SLA Conference

Dean Kelley noted she asked Dave Shumaker to coordinate a SLIS table for the Alumni Student Connect event to be held Monday night, June 15, 2009, at the SLA Conference at the Washington, DC Convention Center.

ALA Conference

ALA Conference will be July 9-15, 2009 in Chicago. None of the Board members currently plan to attend. Dean Kelley noted that there will be a joint ALA/ALISE Alumni event at the conference, which Dr. Ingrid Hsieh-Yee will attend.

Elections

Mark Brzozowski and the Board discussed actions they could begin to plan to prepare for elections to fill slots that will be open on the Board.

Picnic

Mark Brzozowski discussed the prospect for an end of summer SLIS/alumni picnic, to honor new graduates and give them a chance to meet alumni. He indicated he'd do a

Survey Monkey survey to find out people's preferences for such an event, which would be held sometime near the end of August.

Stone Lecture 2010

Mark Brzozowski asked people to think about who could be asked as a speaker, and the Dean indicated she could look into Clifford Lynch's availability.

Homecoming

The Board discussed the prospect of doing an event during Homecoming weekend in October 2009, and noted it would be helpful to get any plans announced in CUA Magazine. Mark Brzozowski indicated he would talk with Marion Gosney of Alumni Relations about Homecoming as well as the proposed end of summer picnic.

Future Board Dates

Currently planned future Board dates are 7/16/09, and if needed, 8/20/09.