SLIS Alumni Board meeting minutes July 12, 2010

The meeting commenced at 6:30 p.m. in the Stone Conference room in Marist Hall. In attendance were: Marianne Giltrud (presiding), Mark Brzozowski, John Danneker, Kathy Kelly, Robin Foltz, Eileen Boswell, Jean Lee, and by teleconference Jenny O'Shea, Liz McLean, and Lynn Weinstein.

Review of Previous Minutes

The minutes from the June 14, 2010 meeting were approved.

Webpage Updates

Robin Foltz reported that she and Matthew Banta were working on changing the view of the 'Gateways' items on the SLIS web site's sidebar. Kathy Kelly reported that April and May 2010 updates had been posted to the SLIS Alumni News page, and that SLIS Alumni Board meeting minutes through May 2010 meetings had been posted on the SLIS Alumni Board Documents page.

Old Business

Changes to the Constitution re: Terms of Service

Marianne Giltrud and other board members discussed proposed changes to the SLIS Alumni Association Constitution related to Board members' terms of service, reiterating that the Secretary position would be a 2 year term, the Directors would have two year terms, and that the entry times of the Directors would be staggered in alternating years. The goal is to have the proposed Constitutional changes ready by the 8/9/10 Board meeting, to provide a chance to vote on the changes to SLIS alumni, then to prepare for Board elections to be held around 9/10/10. It was agreed that Marianne, Mark, John, and Robin will review the vote on the proposed changes to the Constitution.

Picnic

The Board agreed they would like to hold the SLIS picnic on Friday, August 27, 2010, ca. 4-7 p.m., in front of Marist Hall, if approved by the Acting Dean. The entire SLIS community (students, faculty, staff, alumni) would be invited to the picnic. The Board discussed practical details such as methods for renting a grill, buying supplies and food, and borrowing a tent.

New Business

Wiki/Documents Management

The Board discussed the prospect of using Google forms for the purpose of setting up a survey form for the change to the constitution and Elections. Eileen Boswell noted she could do a demo of this form during a meeting.

Homecoming

The Board discussed the prospect of a SLIS homecoming event sometime during Catholic University's Homecoming weekend, Friday, October 1, 2010 – Sunday, October 3, 2010. They decided to discuss this event in more detail at a future Board meeting.

100th Anniversary Event

Marianne Giltrud noted she had spoken with the CUA Office of Alumni Relations, which indicated we may be able to get some funding for such an event from the Provost's Office, and that we should come up with some specific recommendations and proposals. This event would mark the 100^{th} anniversary of the teaching of library science courses on the CUA campus; courses were first taught on the campus by librarians from the DC Public Library starting July 2, 1911.

Upcoming SLIS Alumni Board meeting dates

Projected meeting dates for the near future are 8/9/10 and 9/13/10.