SLIS Alumni Board meeting minutes September 18, 2008

The meeting commenced at 6:45 pm in the Stone Conference Room in Marist Hall. In attendance were Jeff Prater (presiding), Mark Brzozowski (who left early), Marianne Giltrud, Assistant Dean Tim Steelman, and Margaret Weatherford. Margaret took the minutes in the absence of Secretary Kathy Kelly.

Review of Previous Minutes

The minutes from the June 18 meeting were approved with minor edits.

Old Business

Elections

The election nominations will be extended to Sept. 18-28 with the elections taking place Oct. 1-8 if necessary. The new board will be introduced at the Oct. 10th event. Mark, who was not feeling well, left after this item.

Accreditation

The accreditation update event was upcoming on Sept. 25th. Also, SLIS has submitted an application for an accreditation certificate from the American Association of School Librarians.

Homecoming event

It was suggested that the homecoming event start at 5:30 for the convenience of people who leave work at 5:00, but since the Alumni Office has already sent out a brochure with the time as 7:00-9:00, it was decided that the time should be 5:30-9:00. The dean will provide food. Marianne, Mark, and Kathy will staff the registration table. Announcements will be sent to listservs as follows: SLA - Kathy, CUA - Mark, ASIS&T - Jeff, LLSDC - Margaret, VLA & MLA - Ingrid, and DCLA – Marianne. Also, Jeff will ask Marion Gosney to email the list of all SLIS alumni. Jeff will set up a Survey Monkey sign-up for attendance. Kathy and Jeff will create a brochure to be distributed at the event. Jeff, Mark, and Tim will bring digital cameras.

Board wiki

We should contact Tim if we want to use the school's Wordpress Wiki. Mark will delegate responsibility for the wiki during his administration.

Secretarial report

There was no secretarial report in Kathy's absence.

New Business

Holiday party

The holiday party will conflict with the CUA Christmas concert if it is held on December 1st. Tim will check with the dean to see if December 2nd is an acceptable date.

Meeting dates

After the new Board takes office, meetings will be on Wednesdays rather than Thursdays. The new dates for 2008-2009 are: October 23, Nov. 19, January 15, Feb. 12, March 19, April 16, May 21, and if necessary, June 18, July 16, and August 20.