

## SLIS Alumni Board – meeting minutes

March 12, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m. in the Marist Hall Stone Conference room. In attendance were: Rob Schneider (presiding); Chris Corrigan; Ana Elisa de Campos Salles; Mark Brzozowski; Robin Foltz; Nzinga Holley-Harris; Alison Shea (via teleconference); Carter Rawson; Jean Lee; Jennifer Gurlickson; and Kathy Kelly.

### *Review of Previous Minutes*

The minutes from the February 12, 2013 meeting were passed with one edit.

### *Webpage/Email Updates*

Kathy Kelly noted that the approved January 2013 meeting minutes had been posted on the SLIS Alumni Board Documents page (<http://slis.cua.edu/alumni/Documents.cfm>); that the Alumni Board Officers page had been updated with the new Board year's information (<http://slis.cua.edu/alumni/board.cfm>); and that there had been no new SLIS alumni news briefs sent in since December 2012 updates had been posted on the SLIS Alumni News page. She noted the Stone Lecture page will need to be updated with information on this year's lecture. Rob Schneider raised the issue of edits needed to the [cua-slis-alumni-board@cua.edu](mailto:cua-slis-alumni-board@cua.edu) email recipients group, and the Board agreed to take care of edits before the next meeting.

## **Old Business**

### *Committee Reports - Mentoring*

Ana Elisa de Campos Salles provided an overview of the student mentoring event coming up on March 20, 2013, noting Blane Dessy and six SLIS alumni are confirmed for speaking on their experience with non-traditional jobs for librarians in the federal government. She noted she will talk with Liz Greeley of the Association of Graduate Library and Information Science Students (AGLISS) about food for the event. At least twelve RSVPs had been received to date, and SLIS professors were also urging their students to attend.

### *Alumni Socials at large conferences*

Chris Corrigan noted we have put in for a room on Sunday June 30<sup>th</sup> at the upcoming American Library Association (ALA) conference in Chicago, that there was an \$80 registration fee, which AGLISS will cover, and there would be a cost for a bartender. Rob Schneider contacted CUA Alumni Relations, and obtained some funds for this event. The Board also discussed posting information on the dinearound board at the April Computers in Libraries conference at the Washington Hilton in DC, to pull together a SLIS dinearound at Buca di Beppo.

### *Stone Lecture – Final Details*

Rob Schneider noted he had contacted Louise Gray and requested the same menu as last year; that AGLISS will pay for a bartender; and that Dean Poos would be attending. Robin Foltz is editing the program and will have it printed. She sent the event flyer to Department of Justice (DOJ) library staff, since Blane used to work with them. Board members agreed to send out the event info on their subscribed listservs. Chris Corrigan will contact Louise Gray about bringing the library science centennial mugs and totes to sell. Name tags will be needed. Donations to the Stone Scholarship Fund will be accepted at the event. Rob Schneider will introduce the speaker, and Chris Corrigan will

introduce the Von Dran Award recipient. Rob Schneider and Carter Rawson discussed the possibility of requesting a CUA musician to perform music before the lecture. Board members/volunteers agreed to try to be at the Pryzbyla by 6:30 p.m.

#### *Proposal to merge SLIS into Arts and Sciences*

The Board noted there had not been much news lately on the status of this proposal, since they hadn't heard anything further from the Provost or Dean Poos. They agreed to wait to hear further details from Liz Greeley of the Ad Hoc Committee, and to touch base with Dean Poos about it at the Stone Lecture.

#### *Board Calendar for Spring/Summer*

Rob Schneider noted that SLIS graduation would take place May 18<sup>th</sup>, and he would address the graduates to welcome them into alumni life. The Board also noted that Orientation is usually the last week of August, so they could think about a summer picnic for that time.

### **New Business**

#### *Congratulations*

Rob Schneider and the Board congratulated Board members Ana Elisa de Campos Salles and Nzinga Holley-Harris, who had been named as 2013 Emerging Leaders by the ALA. Rob noted that Ana Elisa and Nzinga are profiled in the March-April 2013 issue of *American Libraries* magazine.

#### *Von Dran Nominations*

The Board reviewed all nominations for the Raymond Von Dran Memorial Award which had been submitted by the deadline date, and selected Martin Kalfatovic (MSLS 1990) as the winner. Robin Foltz described how she had handled notifications to nominators last year, and Rob Schneider agreed to contact the nominators and the winner about this year's results. Kathy Kelly noted she would order the plaque from Washington Trophy and would send the Board a plaque proof when available. Chris Corrigan agreed to work on preparing the introduction of the winner.

#### *Attendance at CUA university-wide alumni recognition event*

The Board discussed the upcoming April 13<sup>th</sup> CUA Alumni Achievement Awards dinner, at which SLIS alumna Lea Uhre (MSLS 2002) will be an honoree. Mark Brzozowski took names of attendees of tonight's meeting who wanted to attend, to help facilitate their sitting at the same table.

The Board agreed that the next meeting would be held Wednesday, April 3, 2013.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.