

**SLIS Alumni Board – meeting minutes**  
*February 12, 2013*

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 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 (by teleconference); Carter Rawson; Jean Lee; Liz Greeley; and Kathy Kelly.

*Review of Previous Minutes*

The minutes from the January 8, 2013 meeting were passed with a few edits.

*Webpage/Email Updates*

Kathy Kelly noted that the approved December 2012 meeting minutes had been posted on the SLIS Alumni Board Documents page (<http://slis.cua.edu/alumni/Documents.cfm>), that some December 2012 updates had been posted on the SLIS Alumni News page (<http://cuaslis.org/wp/category/news/alumni/>), and that the Board could be on the lookout for future alumni news to add. She noted that she would send a list of the 2012-2013 Board Officers for posting on the Alumni Board page. Robin Foltz noted she would send Nzinga Holley-Harris this year's version of the Von Dran Award announcement for posting on listservs.

**Old Business**

*Committee Reports - Mentoring*

The SLIS Alumni Board's Mentoring Committee – Ana Elisa de Campos Salles, and Mark Brzozowski – obtained a list of 5 suggested speakers from Blane Dessy, executive director of the Federal Library and Information Center Committee (FLICC) and Federal Library and Information Network (FEDLINK), for a student career mentoring event at SLIS. The event will take place March 20, 2013, 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the Information Commons, and will focus on non-traditional jobs for librarians in the federal government. The Committee noted that Blane will give an introductory talk at the event, that speakers will speak about 10-15 minutes each about how they got their positions, what they do, and provide career tips. The Association of Graduate Library and Information Science Students (AGLISS) will co-sponsor the event and provide refreshments. Mark Brzozowski mentioned that Marion Gosney of CUA Alumni Relations contacted him and noted that she can help promote SLIS events.

*Stone Lecture*

The Board discussed the upcoming Stone Lecture to take place Friday, April 5, 2013 in Pryzbyla Hall, which will feature Blane Dessy as the keynote speaker. Mark Brzozowski noted he would contact Blane to get a title for the lecture. Robin Foltz indicated she would start to work on the program for the event. The Board noted they would work with AGLISS and Louise Gray at SLIS on the refreshments.

*Dean Poos meeting*

Rob Schneider noted Dean Poos had not yet responded to his request to meet with SLIS alumni regarding alumni issues.

*SLIS Alumni social event planning for large conferences*

Chris Corrigan noted that attendees of the ALA conference (June 27 – July 2, 2013) can register to hold an event such as a group dinner, and ALA can get it into their event calendar; registration to hold an

event must take place by March 1, 2013. The Board voted to contact ALA to get an event listed on their calendar, and noted they would contact former SLIS Alumni Board President John Danneker to see if he could take part. Nzinga Holley-Harris noted that the Computers in Libraries conference is coming up (April 8-10, 2013), and that SLIS alumni could arrange a meetup in the hotel lobby for a dinearound; Nzinga noted she will look into possibilities for this conference.

## **New Business**

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

The Board discussed the content of a letter to be sent on behalf of the SLIS Alumni Board to the CUA Provost, the Ad Hoc Committee assessing the proposal, and Dean Poos. They also agreed to work with SLIS alumna Pat Evans on a survey to be sent to members of the SLIS community to weigh in on this issue.

### *Further planning calendar for Spring semester*

The Board agreed that would like to do an event around graduation time, such as a happy hour, to welcome new graduates into alumni life.

The Board agreed that the next meeting would be held Tuesday, March 12, 2013.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.