

Library and Archival Studies Student Association

2014-2015 School Year Meeting #3

Date: September 11, 2014

Time: 12:00

Location: SUB 224

In attendance:

Kelsey Ockert (MLIS Co-President)
Nicole Askin (Secretary)
Monica Swamiraj (Events Coordinator)
Michael Wynne (MLIS Member-at-Large)
Adena Brons (Dual Member-at-Large)
Inti Dewey (GSS Representative)
Matthew Murray (Webmaster)
Roohie Kaur (Treasurer)
Cathryn Crocker
Maggie Hunter
Jarín Schexnider
Mattias Olshausen
Abeer Siddiqui
Kelly Savage
Sarah Giesbrecht
Alex Kuskowski
Robert Hamcker
David St Germain
Maria Paraschos

Regrets (Excused):

Mitchell Meler (GSS Representative)
Rachel Balko (MACL Representative)
Nichole DeMichelis (MLIS First-Year Representative)

Absent:

Alamir Novin (PhD Representative)

Meeting called to order by Kelsey at 12:03.

- 1. Motion to approve minutes** with no revisions put forward by Inti, seconded by Matthew, passed with no opposition.
- 2. LASSA Luncheon and Potluck Debrief**

Kelsey reports mostly positive feedback from these two events. There were some issues with the pizza order not being ready on time. Some members expressed regret that the GSS location was not used, but it presents a financial burden. The potluck was quite warm – future events might address this issue by splitting the food between rooms or adjusting the temperature controls. For serving alcohol, the next event should have more beer and less wine, students should be reminded beforehand that photo ID will be required, and a better method of transporting the alcohol to the event would be appreciated.
- 3. SLAIS changes**

- A. **Admin:** Kelsey outlined the roles of the current admin and the upcoming changes with the departure of Dan Slessor.
- B. **Website:** the new SLAIS site has an attractive design but is highly template-based, making it difficult to adapt to SLAIS' particular needs. In particular, the blog, coop information, and syllabi are now more difficult to access. Dan is still soliciting feedback from students on the site.

4. Meetings

Kelsey is organizing meetings with various people to discuss issues of relevance to SLAIS. She will be meeting with Caroline to suggest having two Director's Fora per year. She also notes that her impression is that Caroline intends to remain at SLAIS for the time being. Kelsey will be meeting with Mary biweekly and plans to meet with all of the club heads.

5. Reports

- A. **AMS:** nothing to report
- B. **GSS:** Inti wants to raise the issue of supporting the BC teacher's strike at the next GSS meeting. He also reminds all present of the existence of the emergency fund to provide last-chance funding to graduate students in financial distress, although the communication of this resource is minimal.

6. Bulletin boards

Michael is preparing the LASSA bulletin board and requests photos and contact information from all members. The board will also include agendas for LASSA meetings and pointers to relevant resources. A suggestion box may also be provided for students. The stalker board is now complete.

7. Website

Kelsey suggests some materials to add to either the LASSA website or the Weebly site. These include LASSA tools, admin contacts, available services, a Google Doc of LIS blogs or social media sites, alumni achievements, and librarian/archivist shopping sites.

8. Events

Kelsey exhorts members to consider potential events for the upcoming year. Likely events include the librarians library, a Halloween party, and an end-of-term potluck. Matthew remarks that for the Halloween party sober clean-up help will be appreciated. Issues related to the serving of alcohol were briefly discussed.

9. LASSA executive

- A. Sarah Giesbrecht is acclaimed to the position of MAS co-chair
- B. Abeer Siddiqui is acclaimed to the position of AMS representative. She will attend every other meeting, with the remaining meetings covered by Maria Paraschos as AMS proxy.
- C. Cathryn Crocker is acclaimed to the position of MAS member-at-large
- D. The position of Treasurer Assistant remains unfilled

Meeting adjourned at 12:54