

NJLA College and University Section/ACRL-NJ Chapter

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Executive Board Meeting – Friday, February 3, 2012 (Virtual Meeting via iLink)

Attending: Denise O'Shea, Mary Mallery, Steve Shapiro, Gary Schmidt, Eleonora Dubicki, Joan Dalrymple, Melissa Hofmann, Nancy Weiner, Ray Schwartz, Sharon Yang, Sharon Whitfeld, Siobhan McCarthy, Roberta Tipton

Excused: Mark Thompson, Paul Martinez, Luis Rodriguez, Julie Maginn

The meeting was called to order at 10:04am.

The minutes from December were accepted with the following changes:

- Joan Dalrymple was in attendance

President's Report (Mark Thompson):

No report, Mark is at the VALE managers meeting.

Vice President's Report (Denise O'Shea):

The updated spreadsheet of programs for the NJLA 2012 conference was sent out yesterday afternoon. There have been some title changes as suggested by NJLA. Additional programs have been added, and some programs were not accepted. Days of the week have been added, but time slots will not until the official schedule is released. 14 programs in total (3 were rejected): 5 on Tuesday, 9 on Wednesday. 8 are being co-sponsored. The CUS Academic Luncheon will be held on Wednesday. None of the committee programs should overlap, though CUS programs will be occurring at the same time.

Q: When will posters be accepted?

A: They are in the process of being accepted now.

There have been 3 nominations so far for the Distinguished Service Award. Denise will check with Mark on the details, but the Executive Board will be able to vote.

VALE 2012 had a record number of attendees (close to 300), about 101 filled out evaluations. Some of the top reasons for attending the conference were:

- Breakout sessions (primary reason)
- Networking opportunities and chance to connect with colleagues.
- Location is favorable
- Interest in the VALE OLS Project
- Poster sessions

Responses to keynote speaker were varied. There were some complaints about layout of the room, as it was not conducive to viewing the PowerPoint presentations.

Luis could not be here but had nothing to report. He's pleased that the petition to fund school libraries received the necessary 25,000 signatures.

Committee Reports

Marketing and Communications (Mary Mallery): The committee presented a poster session at VALE about the marketing and communications plan. A LibGuide was set up on the conference website with a summary of the poster session (which was well attended and well received).

The committee has been working on the CUS website with James Keebler; if there is anything wrong with the site, please let Mary know. Also regarding Drupal:

- The December minutes are now showing up under the “CUS/ACRL Minutes” subheading on the Executive Board page. Only the 5 most recent uploads will be visible, the archived minutes will show up under the file browser only.
- Individual committees should remember to use the calendar module to schedule meetings and events.
- Need to have a meeting for the Newsletter committee on how to use the SimpleNews module.

The committee meeting has not been held yet, but will be soon.

Newsletter (Joan Dalrymple, Sharon Whitfeld): Sharon and Joan have contacted Julie Maginn to work out the timeline for soliciting articles. It will be soon, as the newsletter should come out in April.

Nominations (Steve Shapiro): Has received 3 nominations so far for the positions available:

- VP/President Elect - Gracemary Smulewitz (Rutgers University)
- Secretary – Susan Bucks (Monmouth University)
- Member at Large - Siobhan McCarthy (Bergen Community College)

The ballot will be sent by the beginning of March.

Research (Melissa Hofmann): Recruited 3 new members for the committee at the VALE poster session: Heather Cook (Bergen Community College), Beth Patterson (Drew University), and Elizabeth Hille Cribbs (Mercer County College). The program for the NJLA conference will be “Perceptions of value: How decision makers shape our libraries.” Karen is working on getting a public library speaker. The first committee meeting will be on February 24, where programs and nominations for the awards will be discussed.

Technology (Ray Schwartz): Recruited a new member at the VALE poster session (Alyssa Valenti, from Raritan Valley Community College). Technology Award nominations have been received for The College of New Jersey (“Examining and Testing a Digital Repository”), Steve Shapiro (“Creating a Library Community in Blackboard”), Grace Agnew (“RU Analytic”), and from UMNDJ (“Going Mobile”). There will be an open meeting on the 16th to review these; all Executive Board and committee members are welcome to attend. The actual competition will be held in March.

User Education (Nancy Weiner): The committee met on December 9th in a joint meeting with the VALE Student Information Literacy committee. There was some discussion about why the committees meeting jointly – primarily for the cross-membership. VALE was discussed, 8 members were participating in poster sessions or programs. Several people expressed interest in

joining the committee. 3 of the 4 proposals submitted for NJLA from the committee were accepted. There was some discussion of the migration to Drupal. There is another joint meeting scheduled to meet on the 10th at Rutgers (video conference).

Old Business

None.

New Business

From Nancy Weiner: Mark asked her to attend the ACRL Chapters Council. The issues relevant to us are: no increase in the amount of money chapter received for the number of members they have. Joyce Ogburn said there has never been an increase between revenue and expenditures, so that's why there has been no increase in amount of money in the past. Trevor Dawes was also there, as he is a candidate for ACRL Vice President/President-Elect.

Good of the order

From Gary Schmidt: At ALA Midwinter there was an announcement from ALA admonishing publishers who are limiting access for certain types of information (i.e. ebooks and DVDs). Publishers may not react, but it is increasing awareness of the issue. There was a meeting with publishers and some have been receptive.

From Denise O'Shea: Reminder that next meeting is March the 2nd at Middlesex CC and Montclair State University. The dates for other upcoming meetings are on the website. June 15th for the year-end wrap up at Middlesex Community College.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:36am.

Respectfully submitted,

Siobhan McCarthy, CUS Secretary