ARLIS/NA OHIO VALLEY CHAPTER MEETING
MINUTES
October 2, 2015, 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Cleveland, Ohio

ATTENDEES: Kathleen Goodyear, Michael Becroft, Christine Edmonson, Barbara Prior, Stacie Murry, Tanya Keaton, Galina Lewandowicz, Beth Owens, Margaret Castellani, Stacey Brinkman, Anne Trenholme, Lou Adrean, Mo Dawley, Pam Eyerdam, Bruce Biddle, Shannon Robinson, Matthew Gengler, Alison Huftalen, Marsha Morrow, Leslie Jankowski, Christine Mannix, Linda Ayala, Kate Joranson, Kiana Gonzalez, Marsha Miles

Meeting called to order by Mo Dawley at 10:34 AM, followed by a welcome from Lou and Mo.

Pam moved to approve the spring meeting minutes, Stacey Brinkman seconded. Minutes approved.

Anne gave the treasury and membership reports:

- Treasury: An effort was made in the fall meeting planning to cover the cost of food, so meeting registration was raised to $35. As of 10/1/15 the chapter held $2,083.29 with another $85 still to be deposited. Upcoming expenses include the food service fee, donation to national for the welcome party, dues reimbursement for ARLIS/NA for the executive board, and the travel award.
- Membership: the Ohio Valley chapter welcomed its first Friend member this fall after establishing the Friend membership option at the spring meeting in Fort Worth. So far 8 members have already renewed for 2016.

Mo gave a summary of the midyear report that detailed the establishment of the Friend membership category, Chris Mannix’s position as the chapter mentoring liaison, and a redesign of the chapter’s blog. Mo also gave an update regarding the IFLA Arts Section meeting, which is being handled by the Mid States chapter. Those interested in volunteering for the main IFLA conference in Columbus August 9-11, 2016, should contact chapter member Sarah Falls.

Anne asked how Friends should be tracked. Consensus reached among meeting attendees: Secretary/Treasurer should maintain official email list of Members and Friends for announcements from chapter executives, but chapter to establish listserv for casual, non-official chapter communication. Lou motions to create a chapter listserv, Pam seconds. Motion is approved. Alison Huftalen volunteers for listserv moderator once listserv established.

Discussion of professional development opportunities for paraprofessional staff in the libraries represented by the chapter. Marsha Morrow shares the program recently started at the Cleveland Museum of Art for a paraprofessional roundtable. All agree that more opportunities for paraprofessionals would be welcome, but some fear it is not feasible due to lack of funding and union restrictions at their institutions. Consensus reached that the listserv would be an ideal way to foster communication, connections, and mentoring opportunities among Ohio Valley Members, Friends, and paraprofessional staff.
Pam Eyerdam and Alison Huftalen volunteered for the Nominating Committee for chapter elections. All interested parties should submit themselves/their nominations to Pam and/or Alison by Thanksgiving (11/26). Open positions include: Vice Chair/Chair-Elect, Blog Editor, and Secretary/Treasurer.

Reports of events/new developments at their institutions from meeting attendees:
- Ingalls Library at the Cleveland Museum of Art cataloged their 500,000th volume this year, holding provenance research symposium in 10/24.
- Cleveland Public Library created a new Digital Center, free and open to the public. Fine Arts and Special Collections Department has opened a Doodle Desk (visitors can take a drawing break), and are planning new events to take Special Collections materials on the road to other branches in the CPL system.
- Frick Fine Arts Library is turning an old photo study room into a classroom, digital media lab, and special collections reading room. The University of Pittsburgh is observing a “Year of the Humanities,” so the Fine Arts Library is participating in many programs. Kiana Gonzalez (in attendance) received a fellowship and will be spending 6 weeks in the next semester working on special projects at the Frick Fine Arts Library.
- The Cleveland Institute of Art’s Gund Library moved to a new location as part of a new unified-campus redesign. The library received the Institute’s game collection from the game design faculty, which has proved extremely popular for stress-relief and inspiration among students, as well as language-building opportunities for international students.

Pam motions to adjourn the business meeting. Matthew seconds. Meeting adjourned at 12:01pm.

Submitted by Anne Trenholme